

## **Please read this document fully before assembling.**

### **PE TidyTent / Bike Cave / CampaCave - standard - Installation and Maintenance**

Thank you for purchasing this product. Included you should find the following items: main fabric cover; roof hood; set of 2 long fibreglass rods and 5 short fibreglass rods; plastic wall plugs, screws, nylon guy ropes and steel pegs.

Take one of the two sets of the longer fibreglass rods. Locate open end of one of the two arc sleeves on the main fabric cover. Connect the first two or three sections of the fibreglass rods and slide through the arc sleeve in the fabric cover. (Fig.1)

Continue connecting and slowly sliding the rods through the sleeve, taking care not to tear the fabric. Ensure that each section is fully inserted otherwise the fibreglass rods may break as the arch shape develops and as the tension increases. Note: the tension in the rods increases as they start to form an arch shape. You may find this easier with two people – one person connecting the rods and pushing through, the other person guiding the end through the sleeve. **Tip:** Slide the fabric arc sleeve over the fibreglass rods, rather than trying to force the fibreglass rods through the sleeve. Once through to the other side of the sleeve, insert the ends of the fibreglass rod into the retaining eyelets in the webbing straps near the corners of the mesh groundsheet. (Fig.2)

Ensure that the sleeve is fully stretched over the rods and take care not to use excessive force as this may cause the rods to snap. (Note: the rods are connected by elastic to help keep the rods together: should the elastic break the rods may still be connected and inserted into the sleeves without effecting their performance – broken inner elastic does not constitute a fault). Now repeat the same process for the other set of long fibreglass rods, fitting through the other arc sleeve in the fabric cover and inserting both ends into the retaining eyelets in the other two webbing straps near the other two corners of the mesh groundsheet.

Next, connect the 5 smaller sets of rods and place them into the inner eyelets in the front and rear panels to stretch the 2 arcs apart. (Fig.3)

Once the main structure is assembled, place the roof hood over the top of the structure and attach the hooks securely to the eyelets around the outer edge of the main structure (around half way along the arch). Adjust tension with the drawstring to provide a snug fit. Note: the roof hood will provide additional protection from rain and sun. Over time, however, the sun's ultra violet rays will bleach and degrade the fabric of this product. The roof hood may be replaced to extend the longevity of the product. Replacement roof hoods can be purchased from stockists and also direct from the manufacturer (see contact details at the end of these instructions). We recommend that you replace the roof hood at the first sign of significant fabric degradation.

The product can be installed in a wide variety of locations. Install on level ground. The outer edge of the rear panel has multiple fixing points. For maximum security in the wind and for maximum protection from the weather, we recommend that the product is fixed to a wall or fence. Drill holes and secure the eyelets/fixing points of the rear panel to a wall or fence with the plastic wall plugs and screws provided.

To improve wind resilience you may wish to place a number of paving slabs or wooden blocks over the mesh groundsheet base panel, taking care not to tear or damage the mesh. The product may also be pegged to the ground through the loops along the outer edge of the mesh ground sheet panel. Nylon guy lines are included for additional anchorage and to enable the product to be used freestanding, if preferred.

## Cleaning

The product may be cleaned with a mild soap solution. DO NOT use detergent as this can break down the fabric.

## Safety

This product is not intended as a children's toy or as a shelter for people to sleep or play in. Take care when assembling not to poke either yourself or others with the ends of the fibreglass rods. Fibreglass rods, particularly if broken may produce strands of fibreglass, which can be very sharp when handled – take care not to cut yourself or get in your eyes. Use gloves and eye protection when handling fibreglass rods. The fabric of this product is flammable. Keep this product well away from naked flames and sources of heat. NEVER cook inside. Never store or use hot barbecue grills or cooking equipment inside or near this product. This product must not be used for the storage or shelter of any electrical items. Do not keep pets or animals in the product. Take care when disassembling – when removing the fibreglass rods from the retaining eyelets and sleeves they will be under tension – take care that you do not release too quickly or they could suddenly spring out unexpectedly. If the nylon guy lines are used, be careful that these are visible and that people cannot entangle themselves or trip over.

## Security

The product has a "velcro"-style detachable rear flap, through which one can fit our optional "Anka Point" security bracket accessory to a wall or fence. (Fig.4) Note: the Anka Point security bracket is not provided with this product – it may be purchased as an optional extra. The Anka Point is a steel fixing, which comes with a set of "one-way", anti-theft, security screws and plastic wall plugs to provide a permanent fixing point, to which one may secure one's goods with a padlock and chain or with a cycle lock.

## Using this product & optional additional products

Although every effort has been made in the product's design and in manufacturing to limit the possibility of water ingress, please note that no guarantee is given that the product is completely 100% waterproof in all circumstances.

It is possible to increase the storage capacity of this product. Purchase the TidyTent Xtra version and you can extend to double the storage space. Simply remove the front door from this unit, remove the rear door of the TidyTent Xtra and zip the two main bodies together. In this way you can continue to increase the size by adding additional TidyTent Xtras.

Please note there is a limit to how much weight the fibreglass rods can withstand. The product should not be used in snow. It is not designed to withstand heavy snowfall. If you do use in snow, then clear the snow off regularly to keep snow build-up to a minimum. Damage to the product as a result of use in snow is not covered by warranty.

Please note that over time it is possible that the fabric may fade in sunlight. Please note: this product is manufactured from high grade PE and 210D polyester / polyurethane 1500mm fabric – however we make no guarantee as to the longevity of the product since wear and tear will vary very significantly depending on installation method, Ultra Violet (UV) exposure, temperature variation, insect attack, snowfall etc.

Replacement or additional roof hoods, fibreglass rods and main fabric covers are available for purchase. Contact your stockist for further details - telephone our UK office on **+44 (0)1525 382938** or **1 833 878 3931 (USA toll free)** or email [info@CaveInnovations.com](mailto:info@CaveInnovations.com) for advice, accessories or spare parts. Information and contact details are available at [www.TidyTent.com](http://www.TidyTent.com) or [www.CaveInnovations.com](http://www.CaveInnovations.com).