# TipsandTricks

When using the canopy on hard surfaces such as concrete, weights may be substituted for stakes. Gigatent highly recommends using Gigatent brand Canopy Weights (sold separately). Care must be taken as the canopy will not be as stable as if it were staked. The legs have different height settings and will allow the canopy to be tilted slightly to provide the most protection from the elements. Do not collapse the frame with the canopy top attached as this can allow the fabric to be damaged. Remove the canopy top prior to fully collapsing the frame. In sandy soil a longer and wider stake will hold best. Even better use a heavy anchor made out of a piece of wood with a loop of rope around it and buried in the sand with the other end tied to the canopy. When using the canopy in heavy rains be sure that water does not start to collect on top as this will cause damage to the frame. Use the guy lines and Velcro to maintain proper tension on the canopy top.

## Care

#### <u>Ultra Violet (UV) Exposure</u>

Your tent is made of UV resistant polyester fabric which is resistant but NOT impervious to the damaging effects of long term sun exposure. We DO NOT suggest long term set up of ANY of our products as this will severely damage the tent fabric.

#### Seam Sealing

Gigatent suggests that at a MINIMUM the seams at the bottom of the windows should be sealed using a product like McNetts Seam Sure to prevent moisture from coming through the needle holes. Follow the manufacturer's instructions when applying seam sealer.

#### Structural Integrity

Although the tent was constructed to rigid specifications periods of wind and soaking rain may loosen the stakes and guylines to the point of allowing the rainfly to flap. This can in turn cause the poles to loosen weakening the overall structure. Loosening of the rainfly can also create pockets that can collect water which can lead to pole failure. To insure that this does not occur take care during windy or rainy conditions that all of the stakes and guylines are secure and tight.

#### Storage

DO NOT under any circumstances store your tent wet or damp. Mildew will quickly destroy a tents waterproof coating. Allow your tent to dry and then store in a cool dry place.

#### Washing Your Tent

NEVER machine wash a tent as this can cause damage to the waterproof coating. Hand wash with a mild soap and rinse with clean water and allow to COMPLETELY dry before storing. An extremely dirty tent can be set up and washed like a car or it can be washed in a bathtub using your hands to agitate the water or a soft brush.

# Manufacturer's Warranty

Warranty covers product to be free from defects in material and workmanship for 14 days after date of purchase.

Warranty does not cover natural breakdown of materials that occur inevitably with extended use (e.g., damage, exhausted zippers, defects caused by accident, abuse, alteration, animal attack, storm damage, misuse or improper care.

This product is covered for 14 days from date of purchase. Please check all contents to verify product has no missing or broken parts. Gigatent will mail replacement parts free of charge within the 14 Day Manufacturer's Warranty by calling 1-877-836-8701 or emailing customerservice@gigatent.com. We highly recommend logging on to our website at www.gigatent.com should you need customer service.

## WARNING:

This product was not designed to be left out in the sunlight for extended periods of time. Prolonged UV exposure will rapidly break down the color and integrity of this product. UV damage is not covered under our warranty.

### WARNING : NEVER LEAVE BURNING FIRE UNATTENDED

Wind may topple product. Use extra caution. Keep all Flame and Heat away from product. THIS PRODUCT IS NOT FIRE PROOF. IF LEFT TOO CLOSE OR ON OPEN FLAME THE PRODUCT WILL BURN OR BE SEVERELY DAMAGED. CAUTION: Use caution when using propane stove on this product. Unintended fire my result in damage of product or bodily harm.

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