



# INSTRUCTIONS

**Item 02853 • Montana Screen Arbor**

**Item 02855 • Wyoming Arbor (non-screen)**

Thank you for purchasing this Texsport arbor. Please read and understand each step of the set-up instructions. We encourage you to set-up this arbor at least once prior to your camping trip, ensuring that you have a satisfactory understanding of the set-up process. We hope you enjoy your new arbor and that it will give you many years of camping pleasure.

**Do not apply excessive force to this product.**

## PARTS LIST:

**A .....4 Sets of Steel Leg Poles**

**B.....2 Sets of Thick Fiberglass Roof Poles**

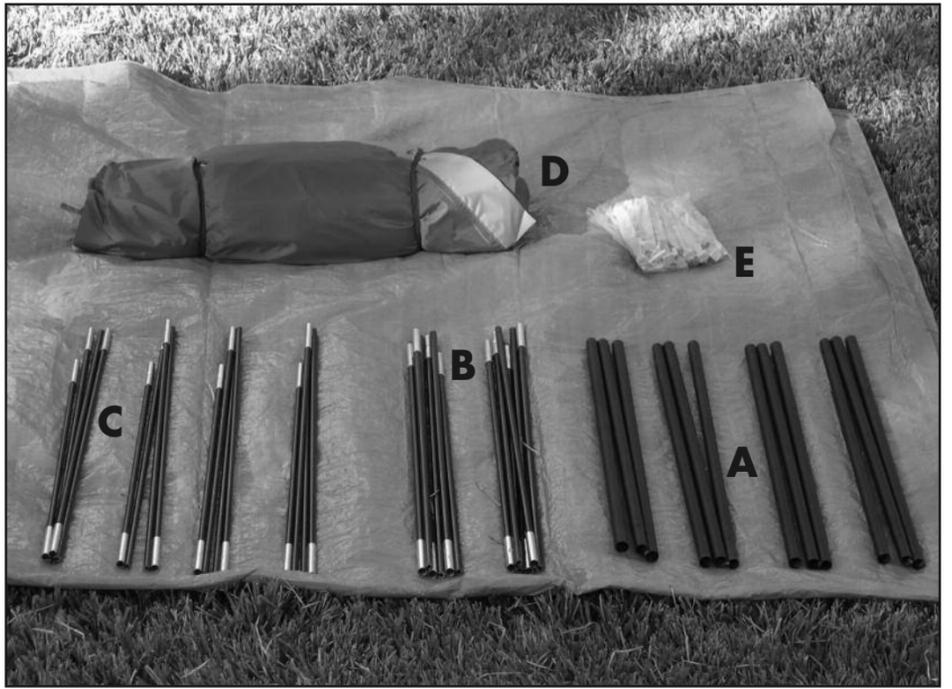
**C.....4 Sets of Thin Fiberglass Frame Poles**

**D .....1 Arbor Skin**

**E .....Arbor Stakes, Ropes and Clews**

### NOTE:

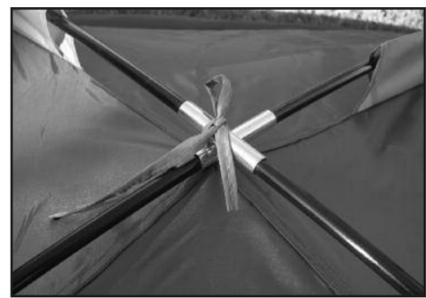
The site should be flat and have no depressions that could collect rain water.



**STEP 1 - Spread out arbor skin.**



**STEP 2 - Assemble all your poles. Select the 2 thickest fiberglass roof poles (B) and push them through the roof arbor sleeves diagonally across the top. Insert into the center corner joint**



**STEP 3 - Once the arbor poles are placed, tie the poles together with the ties provided in the center.**



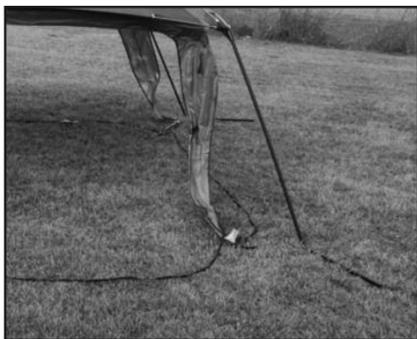
**STEP 4 - Assemble the 4 thinner frame poles (C). Push 1 pole through side roof sleeves. Do this with the other 3 remaining poles.**



**STEP 5 - Insert each end of the side frame poles into the molded 4 joint sections.**



**STEP 6 - This is what your assembled roof should look like.**



**STEP 7 - Assemble 2 sections of the 3 section steel leg pole. Insert the top of the assembled pole section into the remaining bottom hole of the molded joint. Repeat this step with the remaining 3 corners.**



**STEP 8 - Insert the pin located at the bottom of the arbor skin into the bottom of the pole to secure legs.**



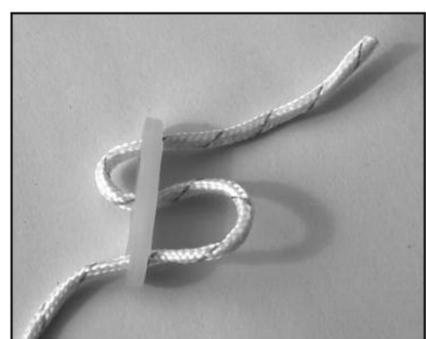
**STEP 9 - Snap on the speed clips to the steel legs to secure arbor to frame.**



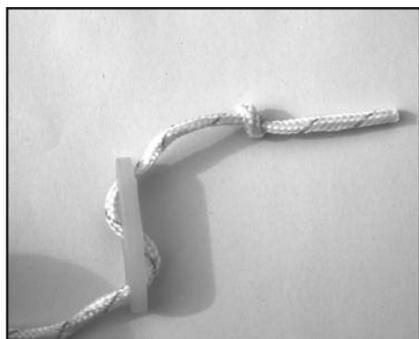
**STEP 10 - Connect the last section of the leg poles to raise arbor to full height. This is what your arbor should look like now.**



**STEP 11 - Stake down your arbor through the rings at all 4 corners. NOTE - IN HIGH WINDS, IT IS NECESSARY TO GUY ROPE YOUR ARBOR SO IT DOES NOT FLY AWAY. PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS TO GUY ROPE YOUR ARBOR.**



**STEP 12 - Insert the guy rope into the clew in this order pictured above. Through the bottom hole. Up through the back of the middle hole. Up through the top hole.**



**STEP 13 - Tie a knot at the end so the rope does not slip through.**



**STEP 14 - Tie the other end of the guy rope to the arbor.**



**STEP 15 - Pull the bottom section looped in the clew out. The knot will not let the rope slip out.**



**STEP 16 - Loop this around the stake's head and push into the ground.**



**STEP 17 - To adjust the tension, slide the clew up or down along the guy rope.**

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#### **WARNING:**

Texsport arbor fabrics are flame retardant treated per C.P.A.I.-84 specification. However, for your safety, we recommend that NO OPEN FLAME BE USED IN OR NEAR YOUR ARBOR.

#### **SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Make sure you stake the arbor (with the arbor stakes included) in windy weather, or if you anticipate afternoon winds coming up while you are away from your campsite. Stake one corner, then stake each consecutive corner in a clockwise rotation. Make sure the arbor remains tight. Always place your arbor a safe distance from your campfire - unstaked arbor placed upwind of the fire can be blown into the fire. Arbor placed downwind of the fire are often showered with tiny sparks that can burn holes into the lightweight fabrics of your arbor.

#### **WATERPROOFING YOUR ARBOR:**

Texsport arbors are made from coated water-repellent fabrics. However, the sewing process, necessary in all arbor fabrication, can cause water leakage where the sewing needles have perforated the fabric in the seams. Without treatment the arbor will leak. Every new arbor needs to be seam sealed to make it water tight. We recommend using Texsport Spray Waterproofing/Seam Sealer which may be found at your local outdoor outfitter or camping store.

#### **ARBOR STAKES:**

All arbors should be staked down. The stakes supplied with your arbor are effective for most conditions; however, specialized stakes are recommended in certain cases:

- a. Sand Stakes: ....Long broad stakes designed to hold in loose sand.
- b. Steel Stakes: .....Most effective in hard, rocky or frozen soil. These can rust and their sharp edges could damage the arbor if .....stored with the arbor. In extremely hard soil a steel rod can be used to make the starter hole.
- c. Skewer Stakes: ..Lightweight, but less holding power that the standard stakes.
- d. Snow Stakes: ....The most common method is to bury objects with a great deal of surface area in the snow i.e. branches, .....aluminum pie plates, stuff sacks or arbor bags filled with snow and buried: (this may be referred to as the dead .....man method). Arbors can also be secured to snow skis or poles which are stuck into the snow.

#### **ZIPPERS:**

If zippers stick, lubricate with silicone. Never force a zipper which has material caught in it, as this will bend the slider and prevent the zipper from closing. Continual use in a sandy environment can cause the slider to erode and fail to close the zipper.

#### **STORAGE:**

Arbors should be stored dry and loosely folded, away from heat and water. Keep out of reach of mice as they like to nest in arbors. Never store directly on concrete, as moisture and chemicals in concrete may damage the nylon.

#### **WASHING:**

Hand wash with a sponge, using a mild soap. Never use detergents or washing machines as they may damage the coating or seams. remember to use seam sealer once arbor had been washed to insure waterproofing.

#### **HOW LONG WILL A NYLON ARBOR LAST?**

Various conditions will affect the length of service which you receive:

- a. A nylon arbor which is left erected all summer may last only one or two seasons, as the sun's ultra-violet rays damage the nylon.
- b. Never store a arbor wet or damp, as mildew may develop. It will not harm nylon, however, mildew is unsightly and may damage other parts of the arbor (i.e. zipper tapes).
- c. Avoid spraying insect repellent or hair sprays, etc. on arbor fabric as they may be harmful.

#### **REPAIR:**

For small tears use a an adhesive backed rip-stop nylon patch. We recommend Texsport Nylon Arbor Repair Kit which may be found at your local outdoor outfitter or camping store.

#### **QUESTIONS:**

If you should have any questions, problems or comments, please call our Customer Service Department at **1-800-231-1402** or e-mail **info@texsport.com**. This Department is open M-F from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. CST.

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ITEM 02853  
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