

Troop 135, Carlisle, Ma

After Camp-out Tent Care Procedure:

Basic Instructions:

1. IMMEDIATELY after returning from a trip, un-pack the entire tent. Hang the tent, fly and all bags up to dry. Keep the poles and stakes in an area where they can dry and NOT be misplaced or damaged.
2. Do not dry the tent in the sun (UV rays damage the tent fabric).
3. After drying (typically 4 hours), inspect the tent for damage, stains or dirt. Shake out the tent and remove all debris. Clean stains (per instructions below) then re-pack tent, fly and all tent components. INVENTORY all tent parts and notify your Patrol Leader of any missing parts. We suggest you also attach a note to the tent bag with a list of missing parts OR a description of any damage or non-functioning tent parts.
4. Return the tent to the Troop Quartermaster at the next Troop Meeting. Make sure you return the tent to the Quartermaster so your name is removed from the tent sign-out list. Do not return the tent to anyone other than the Troop Quartermaster.

Advanced Care Instructions from the Manufacturer:

Cleaning Instructions: Clean tents by setting them up at home and wiping them down with a mild soap (liquid hand soap) and lukewarm water solution. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely. Never use detergent, washing machines or dryers because they can damage the tent's protective coating and seams. Pitch or grease can be removed with a small amount of kerosene. It's best to avoid prolonged exposure to sunlight. Ultraviolet rays weaken nylon, which is why you should use the rainfly even on clear days. This acts as a sunscreen to the tent and a rain fly is easier and less expensive to replace if damaged. Be sure the tent is thoroughly dry before storing it in its stuff sack, or mold or mildew are likely to grow - make especially sure heavier, double-stitched areas such as seams are dry.

Storage: Store your tent in a cool, dry place. Never store your tent in a hot trunk or in bright light — this can damage the fabric coating.

Aluminum poles can be protected by a light coat of silicone lubricant to prevent corrosion and assist sections in engaging easily. Store the tent poles and stakes in their separate bags to avoid damaging the tent body or fly.