## INSTRUCTIONS FOR DECKCHAIRSTRIPES EMPIRE BATHING TENT

BATHING TENTS WERE PRIMARILY DESIGNED FOR OUTDOOR USE, AND AT THE TURN OF THE 19TH CENTURY AND EARLY 20TH CENTURY, THESE WERE USED ON THE BEACH AS 'MODESTY TENTS' FOR SWIMMERS TO CHANGE INTO THE CORRECT COSTUME! THEY WERE ALSO USED BY ARTISTS AS PAINTING TENTS TO REMAIN DRY IN INCLEMENT WEATHER WHILST PURSUING THIS ACTIVITY.

THEY WERE MADE TO BE TAKEN UP OR DOWN QUICKLY AS A TEMPORARY STRUCTURE.

THE FABRIC IS 100% COTTON WHICH IS TREATED WITH A SHOWERPROOF COATING AND THE COLOURS MAY FADE IN PROLONGED DAYLIGHT.

IT IS EASY TO PUT UP AND DOWN IF THESE BASIC INSTRUCTIONS ARE FOLLOWED.

THE PARTS ARE NUMBERED ON THE DIAGRAM AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. DRAWSTRING BAG FOR TENT COVER.
- 2. TENT COVER.
- 3. BOTTOM POLE WITH POINTED END
- 4. SECOND POLE
- 5. TENT SUPPORTS.
- 6. FINIAL
- 7. 4 X TENT PEGS

FIRST MAKE A HOLE IN THE GROUND WITH A SUITABLE TOOL TO APPROXIMATELY 14-16 INCHES DEEP AND APPROXIMATE DIAMETER OF THE BOTTOM POLE.

IF THE TENT IS TO STAY IN THE LOCATION FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME, THEN IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE TO SINK A METAL TUBLE INTO THE GROUND TO HOLD THE WOODEN TENT POLE IN POSITION.

N.B.\*\*\*PLEASE DO NOT HAMMER THE BOTTOM POLE IN WITHOUT MAKING A HOLE FIRST AS THIS WILL CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE TOP OF THE POLE\*\*\*

PLACE POLE WITH POINTED END INTO HOLE AND MAKE AS SECURE AS POSSIBLE. PLACE THE SECOND POLE INTO POSITION ON TOP OF THE FIRST POLE.

INSERT THE BRASS FINIAL WHICH HOLDS THE FOUR TENT SUPPORTS ON TO THE TOP OF THE SECOND POLE.

PLACE THE TENT COVER ON TO THE END OF THE POLE FOLLOWED BY THE FINIAL, AND PUSH THE FOUR TENT SUPPORTS UP AND INTO THE FOUR CORRESPONDING HOLES IN THE FABRIC OF THE TENT.

IF THE TENT IS AT THE CORRECT HEIGHT, THE EDGES OF THE COVER SHOULD BE JUST TOUCHING FLOOR HEIGHT. IF IT IS TOO HIGH, THE HOLE IN THE GROUND WILL NEED TO BE DEEPER.

PULL OUT THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE TENT AND SECURE WITH TIES TO TENT PEGS.

THE TENT MAY BE USED INDOORS BUT IN ORDER TO MAKE THE STRUCTURE STABLE, AND IN THE ABSENCE OF A SUITABLE HOLE IN THE GROUND, A LENGTH OF THE BOTTOM POLE MAY NEED TO BE REMOVED TO MAKE THE TENT THE CORRECT HEIGHT, AND USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A HEAVY METAL PARASOL STAND OR SIMILAR.

THE TENT PEGS MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR FLOOR CLIPS OR SIMILAR.



