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Thank you for purchasing an ALASKA TENT & TARP Portable Building. You should have received five (5) bags:

- 1) Fabric Top Cover and Fabric End Panels
- 2) Base Frame and Corners
- 3) Wall Legs
- 4) Arches
- 5) Spanners and Augers

Your building has been set-up in our shop. We believe you should have all the correct pieces and parts. (see Parts List) The set-up procedures are as follows:

- 1) Prepare the building site. If you are building a platform, the finished dimensions are that of the building's footprint. (e.g. 12' x 18' Portable Building fits onto a 12' x 18' platform)
- 2) Layout the four (4) corners and base pieces and slip fit together. Each base piece has a  $\frac{5}{16}$ " drilled through it. These holes are used to anchor the building to a platform (use  $\frac{1}{4}$ " lag screws – not included) or to the ground (use nail spikes – not included). Do not anchor the base frame at this time, because the fabric cover and web straps are drawn under the frame.
- 3) Starting at one end of the base (front or back) install the wall legs, then, the arches – one section at a time. (If you put all the wall legs in first, they tend to torque and stress the base frame)

**NOTE:** The four (4) wall legs used for the end panels have insert posts that need to point inward. There are two left-hand and two right-hand legs.

The two (2) long arches for the end panels are identical. Since the insert posts are top center, the long arch can go on the left side or the right side, whichever is necessary so that the insert posts point inward.

- 4) Do not install the spanners, yet. Install the fabric end panels. The panels have three cut-outs exposing the  $\frac{1}{4}$ " solid brad nylon rope that is sewn into a pocket hem. Start with the top center cut-out and slip the rope up and over the top center insert post. Move down to the lower insert posts and slip the rope over each. Snug up the rope so that the pocket hem gathers and raps toward the inside of the building over the frame. Move down to the bottom corners. Snug the rope. Run the end of the rope around the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " corner rod, then up through the "D" ring, back around rod and back through the "D" ring. At this point, you can use the "pulley action" to tighten the ropes. Tie off the ends of the ropes.

**NOTE:** This process is easier to do with two people working opposite each other.

- 5) Slide the web straps under the base frame and into the spring buckles and tighten.
- 6) The spanners can now be installed. Again working from one end of the building toward the other, going one bay at a time, install the lower spanners first, then, top center.

NOTE: We suggest you remove the two ratchets from the edge of the cover that is going to be pulled up and over the frame. If the ratchets are left in place, they tend to get hooked up on the frame and there is the possibility of being hit by them.

Pull the cover up and over the frame. The cover should overlap each end by about six (6) inches.

8) Going inside the building, pull all of the web straps under the base frame and put them into the spring buckles. Leave loose.

9) Anchor the four (4) ratchets. There are several options offered:

a) Anchor the ratchet to the base corner. Using a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 2" hex cap bolt, through bolt the ratchet to the base corner. You will need to puncture a hole in the fabric wall end for the bolt to go through.

b) Anchor the ratchet to the building platform. Using the grommet that is in the web strap with hook, bolt the web strap to your platform.

c) Anchor the ratchet to the ground. Using the augers (provided) screw the auger into the ground and hook the web strap to it.

NOTE: In high wind areas it is very important to securely anchor your building to the ground. It is possible for the building to blow away.

10) Working back and forth, end to end, tighten the ratchets. The top cover should overlap the end panels by about six (6) inches. Once the cover is tight front to back, go inside and tighten the web straps in the spring buckles.

11) The base frame can now be fasten to the platform or ground.