

# QTENTS

quality stretch tents

Tent building examples 2018

## 1. Intro

The stretch tents manufactured by Qtents are made from Quality Stretchable tent material. The stretchable material makes it possible to create a tent in different shapes. Depending on the location, the number of poles, the distances etc. you can arrange a tent to your desired shape. This makes Qtents stretch tents suitable for almost any location.

This manual is based on a 10 x 12 m stretch tent with a fully open configuration. In case you use a smaller or larger tent it is important the poles and distances are an equal or closer distance from each other. (see section "4. tent size"). The example instructions are in section "6. Example".

Of course, it is very important that Qtents stretch tents are erected in a safe and beautiful way. Because a tent can be erected in many ways (and on different surfaces) the erection, safety and security of the tent is the sole responsibility of the person in charge of putting the tent up. If you have any questions or concerns about setting the Qtents tent up in a safe and beautiful way, please contact us on <http://qtents.com/contact/>, or the Australian agent on +61-416-821-985.

## 2. Instructions

The supplied manual is an example of how a tent can be set up. Extra information can be found here:

- **Tent building course:** If you have no expertise putting stretch tents up and taking them down again, we advise you to utilise our guidance and instructions. We can provide guidance on location surveys (to choose the appropriate location), local regulations, erecting, taking down and maintenance. This is to ensure you can create safe and beautiful tents. For this course please contact us.
- **General conditions:** More information concerning the General Terms & Conditions of Purchase can be provided upon request.
- **Questions:** If you have any questions about setting up your tent, you can always contact us.

### 3. Important starting points

When setting up the Qtents stretch tents, it is important to consider the following:

- The materials and components used are supplied by Qtents for the tent you use. Other materials and components can damage the tent.
- **Do not** remove parts (center masts, poles, anchors, tensions, etc.).
- Obstacles should be placed at least 0.5 m from the canvas tent material (measured in a perpendicular angle from the material).
- **Do not** place (open) fire under the tent. A heat lamp or gas heater must be placed at least 1 m below the canvas material (perpendicularly measured from the material). **However, this is at your own risk.**
- **Do not** use the tent in case of a storm, hail, snow, bush fire, etc. If you have any questions about the weather conditions under which you can set up the tent, please contact us; <http://qtents.com/contact/>.

### 4. Tent size

This manual is based on a 10 x 12 m. If you have a larger or smaller tent, you should consider the following:

- For the placement of the center masts (middle poles) and their spacing use equal or smaller distances.
- If you have a tent with a longer side than 12 meters, we recommend that you use 3 or more center masts/poles. This also means extra tensions and pegs on the long side of the tent. Space them in equal proportions.
- For a smaller size tent (long side < 6.5 m), 1 center mast is enough.
- With a smaller size tent (10x 8.5 and smaller) it is not necessary to place clamps at the distance C (see step 4.2) of the side poles. If you do want this, you can always order extra clamps from us.

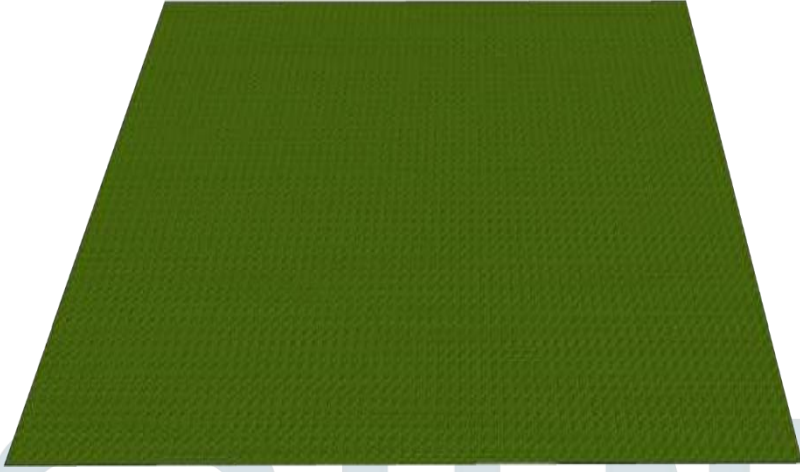
## 5. Cleaning and storage Instructions

- Cleaning instruction
  - Use a high-pressure cleaner to clean the tent. Make sure that you keep the high-pressure cleaner at enough distance of at least >0.5m from the material.
  - Never use a solvent for cleaning the tent.
- Storage instruction
  - Make sure the tent is dry before folding it and storing it in the supplied bag.
  - Store the tent in a dry and cool place.

## 6. Example

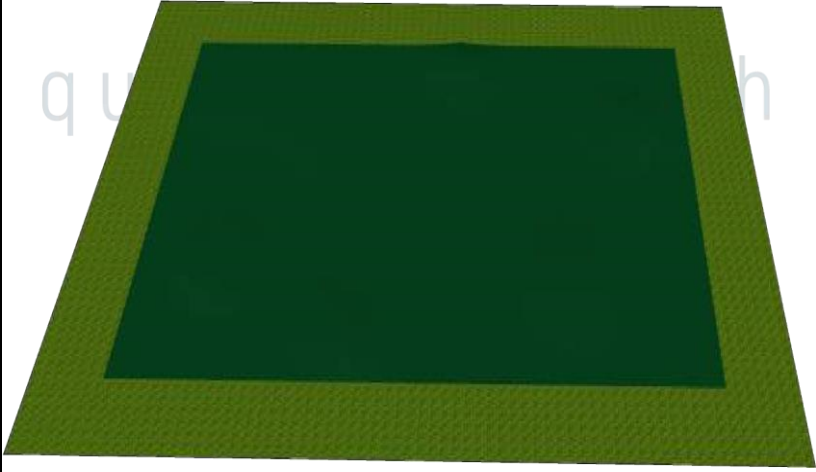
- When you set up the tent for the first time the first steps are A.1 and A.2 (for a tent with loops these are steps B.1 and B.2)
- If you use a tent with loops, step 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 will not apply. For the connection between the pole and the material, see step C.1. This also means that in step 7 the ropes will be put on the pole and no pole connector clamp needs to be used (see step C.2). All other steps remain the same.
- Example guides on the following pages.

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- If you are setting up the tent for the first time: see A.1 for the poles. (B.1 for a tent with loops)
- Find a suitable flat surface:
  - Lawn
  - Square
  - Terrace

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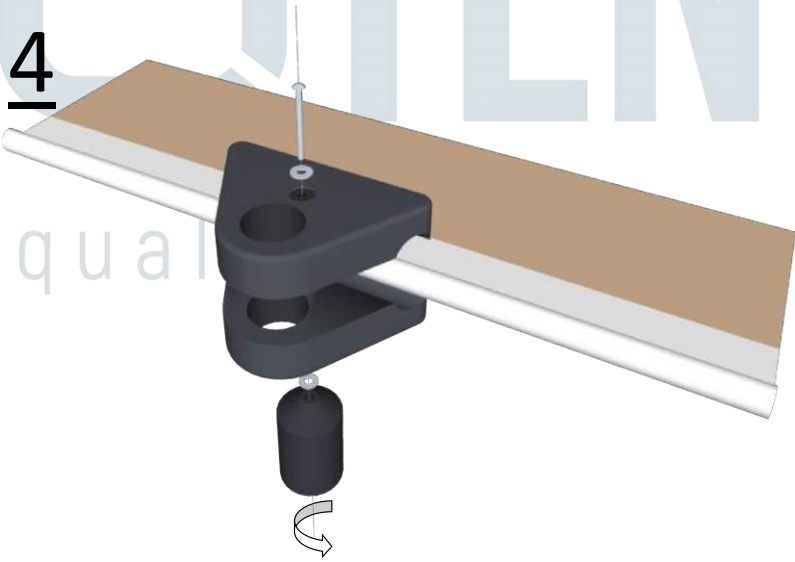
- Place a groundsheet to protect the tent canvas.

**3**



- Roll the tent over the groundsheet.
- Make sure the top faces upward. (the connectors in the corners need to face down.)

**4**



- Attach the clamps to the sides if not already attached.
- See step 4.2 for the location of the clamps.

## 4.2

- Clamp positions in yellow.
- Distances A, B and C depend on the size of the tent. Also see step 4.3 and section “4. tent size”

## 4.3

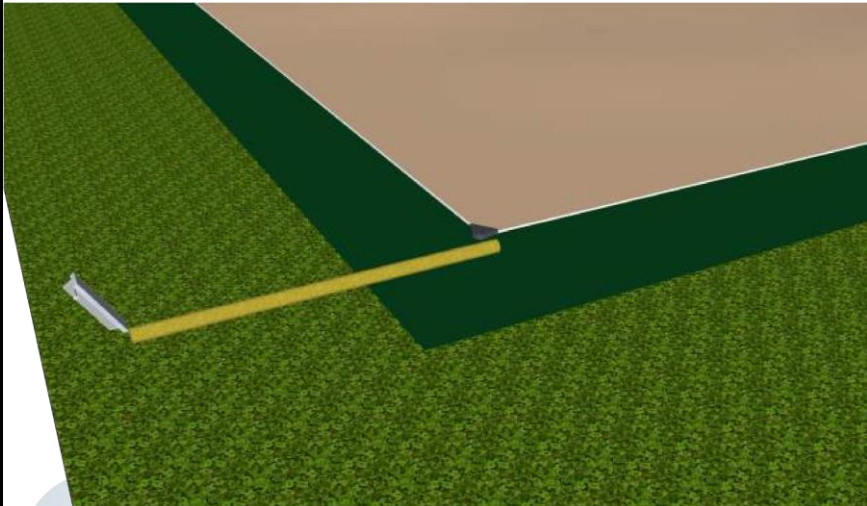
Tent size	A	B	C	D
10 x 10	3.3	5	1.1	2.5
10 x 11	3.6	5	1.1	2.5
<u>10 x 12</u>	4	5	1.1	2.5

Lengths A, B & C relate to the steps in 4.2.

All lengths are in meters.

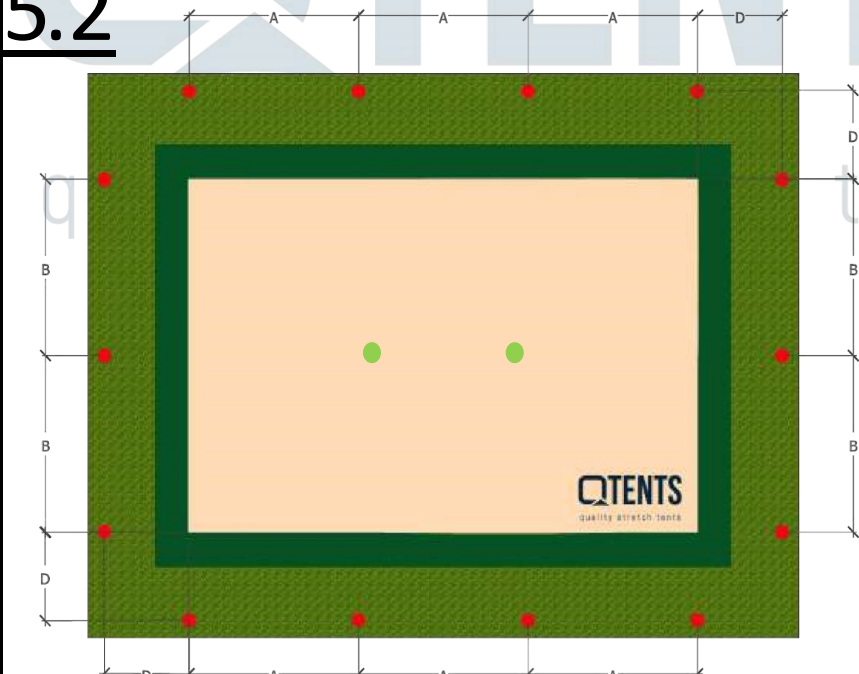
For other size tents see section “4. Tent size” and the example in this table.

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- Place the stakes/pegs deep into the ground. (on a 45 degree angle)
- The location of the stakes can be found in step 5.2. (roughly the length of the side pole away from the tent)

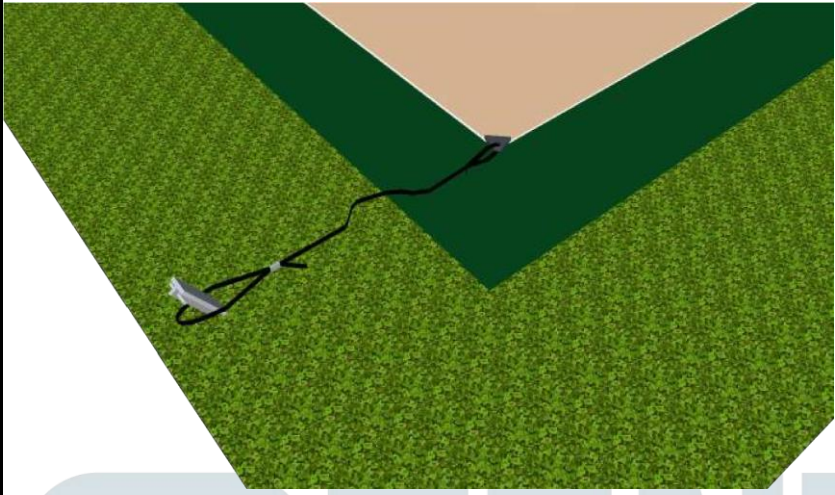
**5.2**



- Stake positions in red.
- Distances A & D depend on the size of the tent. See step 4.3.
- (Centre pole position for step 11, in green.)



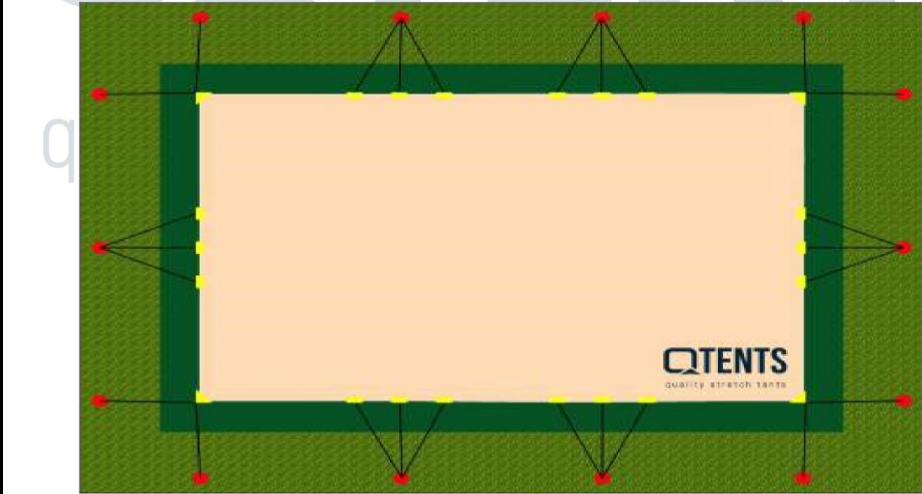
**6**



The diagram shows a green tent corner on a green lawn. A black strap is attached to a metal clamp on the tent's edge and is being secured to the ground. The background shows a light brown ground surface.

- Attach all straps or ropes. (also see step 6.2)
- Use a very strong knot (like a mastworp) for the tent attachment.
- Only use straps and ropes supplied by Qtents.

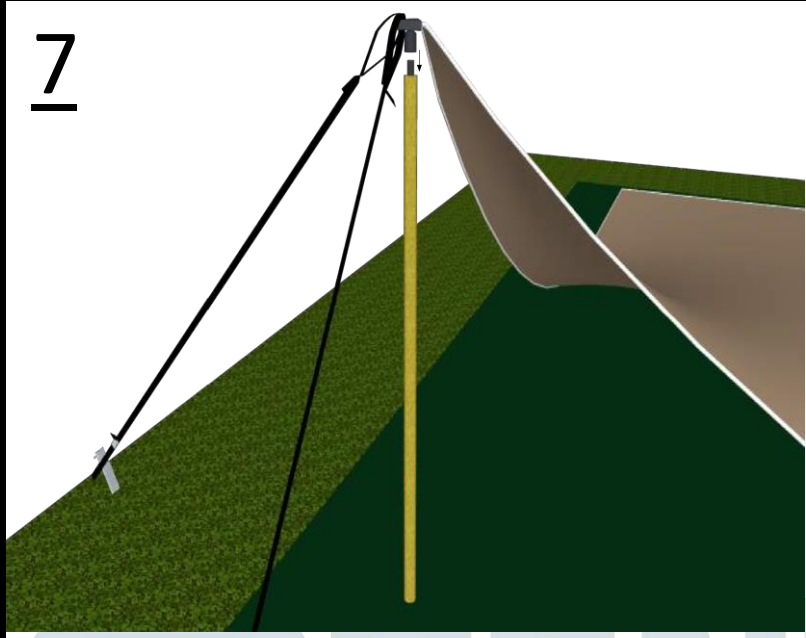
**6.2**



The diagram shows a rectangular tent on a green lawn. The tent has a light orange interior and a dark green exterior. Black lines represent the attachment points for stakes and clamps. Red dots indicate the positions of the stakes, and yellow dots indicate the positions of the clamps. The Qtents logo is visible in the bottom right corner of the tent.

- The straps or ropes are shown as black lines between the stakes and the clamps.

**7**



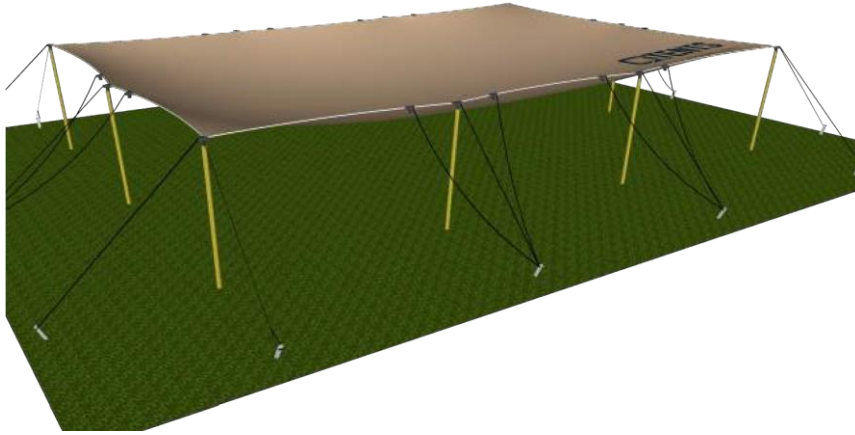
- Slide the top of the pole into the corner clamp. (for loops see C.1 & C.2)
- Straighten the pole from the inside out.
- Use the tightening strap to tighten the lines.

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- Complete step 7 for all corners.
- Remove the groundsheet.

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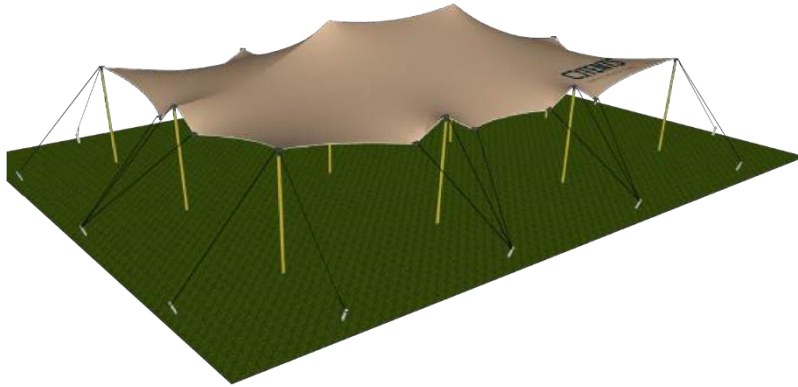
- Position all side poles.

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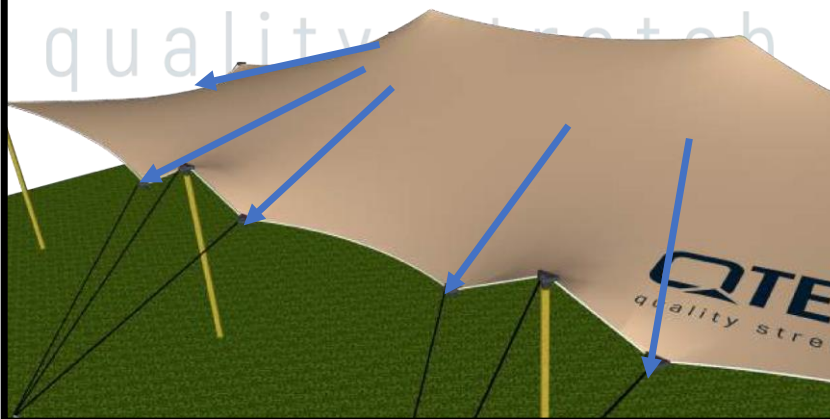
- Place the round caps on the centre poles (masts).

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- Place the centre poles under the canvas. (see step 5.2 for the position)
- Tighten all straps or ropes.

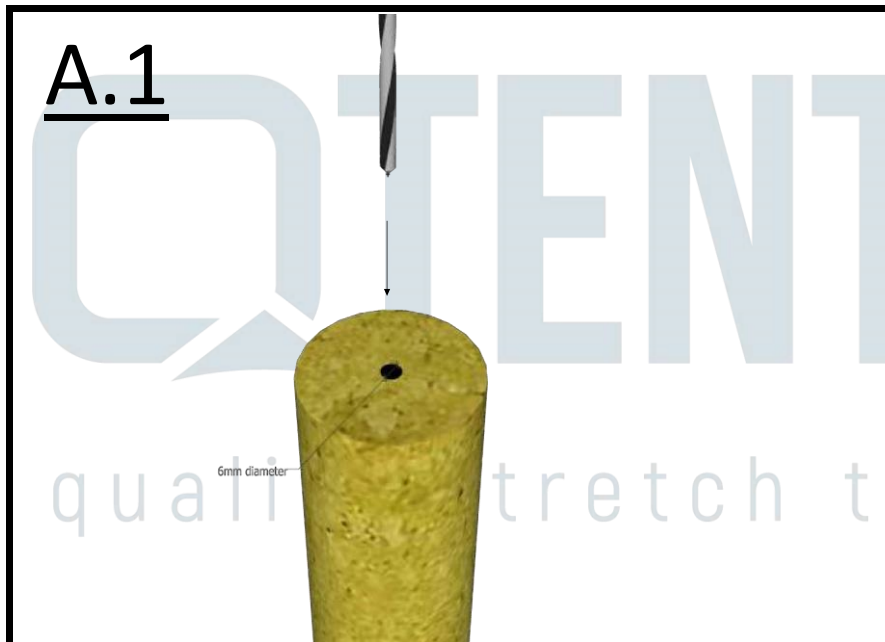
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Check to make sure that water can flow off the canvas from all sides. This is important if it starts raining.

## Extra instructions

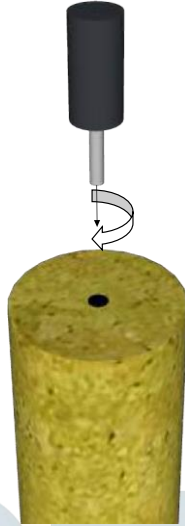
A.1



6mm diameter

- A) This step is only for the first time.
- Drill a 6mm hole in the centre of the top of the pole.

A.2

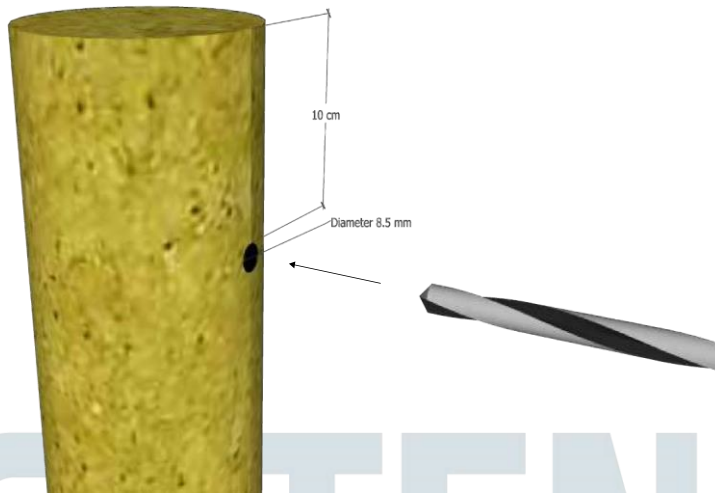


- Screw the pole connector into the top of the pole.



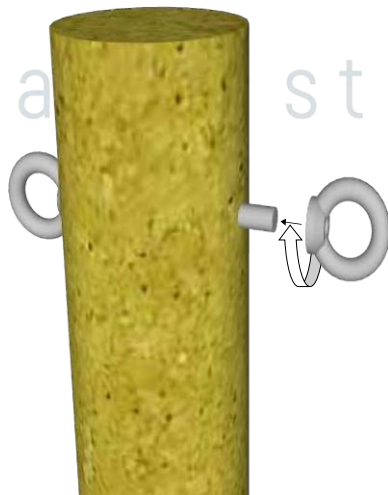
Extra instructions for loop  
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## B.1



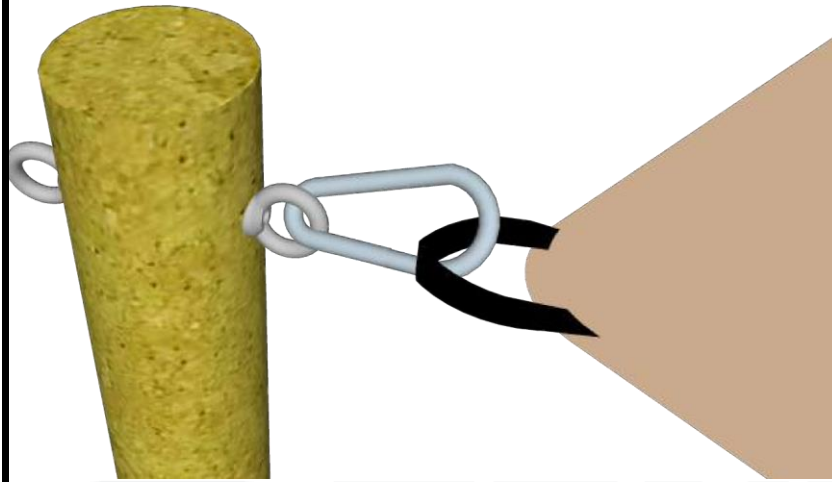
- B) This step is only for the first time.
- Drill an 8.5mm hole through the pole. Position this hole 10mm from the top of the pole.

## B.2



- Screw the eye rings on both side on to the centre screw, and make sure both are firm against the pole.

C.1



- Connect a loop tent canvas to the pole with a carabiner hook.

C.2



- For a loop tent, attach the ropes or straps to the eye ring (step 7)