

Owners Manual

Sportiva 4 Swift Pitch



DTE-SPS4-C

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HELPFUL HINT

OZtrail advises you to read this owner's manual fully and to set up and fold away your beach dome before first use to ensure all parts are present and to become familiar with the operation of your beach dome.

Sportiva 4 Swift Pitch

The new Sportiva 4 is a totally integrated family tent design. The inner tent, pole frame system and for the first time the fly are fully integrated with swift pitch technology and the tent can be taken from carry bag to fully set up in secondsthe ultimate touring tent.

240cm









FEATURES



Fast Set up

- · Designed to assemble quickly and easily with only one person
- Heavy gauge 16/20mm steel instant frame with ABS plastic hubs

• Silver coated UVTex2000® polyester Fly provides

· No assembly as inner tent and fly are fully integrated into frame



Durable

- long term sun protection • Integrated tabs lock the tent and guy ropes together structurally
 - · Heavy duty Polyester floor with reinforced corner patches on peg tab points



- UVTex2000® Fly fabric with extra PU coating to resist penetrating rain
- Factory taped Fly seams and storm flaps on all zippers for added security
- Heavy duty polyester bucket floor elevates floor seams above ground level



Weather

Resistant

Climate Protection

- Ultra fine No-See-Um insect proof mesh keeps out the smallest insects
- · Excellent air flow through side windows and large front and rear doors
- Inner window and door covers control temperature, ideal for cold to tropical conditions



Friendly

- · Packs away easily into its heavy duty carry bag for transporting and storage
- · Efficient storage with sidewall organiser pockets and loft organiser
- Prepared for 12V with cord inlet, cord holders and light attachment point

Product Code: DTE-SPS4-C

Thank you for purchasing a quality OZtrail product. Please keep this Owner's Manual in a safe and dry place, it contains information and helpful information.

The following parts are included for Product Code: DTE-SPS4-C

Part Description

| $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$ | 1 x Inner tent complete with frame and fly sheet |
|-------------------------|--|
| V | 2 x Steel awning poles |
| V | 1 x Pole bag |
| V | 24 x Pegs |
| \checkmark | 1 x Peg bag |
| $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$ | 1 x Tent carry bag |

PLEASE NOTE

Due to our policy of continual product development, specifications, parts and features of the product may vary from details within this Owners Manual.

HELPFUL HINT

We recommend that you set up this product before you leave for your trip. Check that all parts are present and that you familiarise yourself with the assembly and disassembly of the product. If you have any questions, your OZtrail dealer will be happy to help you.



Assembly Instructions

Step 1 Choose the Site

Select a sheltered camp site protected from the wind that will not allow water to pond under the tent floor. Clear a level area of all stones, twigs, etc.

Step 2 Lay out the tent

Unpack the contents of your tent. Release and remove the webbing straps around the packed tent. Carefully unfold and lay out your tent ensuring that you have the door facing in the direction you require. Open out the frame and extend poles as much as possible without locking.

HELPFUL HINT

Avoid pinch points when opening or closing the tent frame. Be careful not to twist or force the frame assembly when unfolding the tent. It is not necessary at any stage of tent assembly to apply more than a small force on the frame. If a small force is not sufficient to carry out each described step, then realign the frame and try again.

Step 3 Standing the tent up

Before extending the corner wall poles to their full locked height, check the alignment of the corner roof poles and the central roof hub is facing upwards in the middle of the tent as indicated in Figure 1. Locate the cord coming out the side of the centre hub and check the cord is not tangled around frame, as indicated in Figure 2. Now pull the cord and with your other hand pushing up on the lower part of the hub assembly, the lower and upper hubs will lock together as indicated in Figure 3.

Now locate the corner wall poles, begin at one

corner wall pole and extend the pole to its full telescopic height until the locking pin locks into place as indicated in Figure 4. Repeat this process for the other three corner wall poles as you walk around the tent, the tent will stand up during this step.



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3

Assembly Instructions cont.

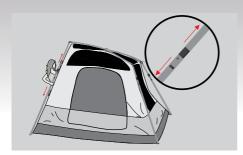


Figure 4

Step 4 Peg down the tent

Peg out the inner tent at the four corner peg points. These peg points are indicated in Figure 5. Anchor the tent to the ground by inserting the pegs through the webbing loops at the base corners of the tent at an angle of 45 degrees as indicated in Figure 6. Firm but not tight.

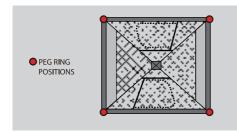


Figure 5

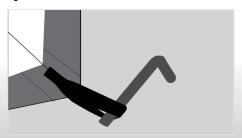


Figure 6

Step 5 Guy rope and peg out

Peg out the guy ropes attached to the fly, make a loop (about 30 to 50 cm long) with the slider on the end of the rope and peg out as far as possible from tent. Ensure all peg down points are utilised and all guy ropes are attached firmly and remain firm as indicated in Figure 7. If required use remaining steel awning poles to set up front or rear awning.

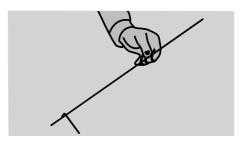


Figure 7

IMPORTANT

In severe conditions the tent should be dismantled



Assembly Instructions cont.



Disassembly Instructions

Step 1

Release guy ropes and remove pegs from tent. Remove pegs with a claw hammer or peg puller. Do not remove pegs from the ground by pulling on tent base as this may cause damage to the tent.

Step 2

To collapse the tent, ensure the windows and doors are open to allow air to escape from inside the tent. Begin at one corner wall pole and release the locking pin holding the telescopic pole in it extended position as indicated in Figures 8, the pole will retract to approximately half height, repeat this process for the other three corner wall poles as you walk around the tent.

Reach over and pull down on the lower hub assembly as indicated in Figure 9. The tent will collapse during this step.

Step 3

Collect and gather the tent and frame into a compact cylindrical bundle with only ever using a small force at any time. Ensure all loose fabric is folded within the edges of the tent frame as indicated in Figure 10.

Step 4

Once the tent bundle is rolled up, place the tie straps around it and secure firmly but not tight and place into the tent carry bag with peg bag, pole bag, instruction booklet and other miscellaneous parts. If the tent won't fit into carry bag, unroll and roll again paying more attention to folding the inner tent fabric more carefully and ensuring air has escaped successfully during collapsing the tent.

WARNING

At no stage is it necessary to apply any excessive force to achieve any of the above steps. The frame is tensioned, but if the correct action is applied the Swift Pitch tent will pack up with little or no force required. Excessive force will result in damage to the frame and this is not covered by warranty.

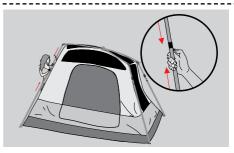


Figure 8



Figure 9

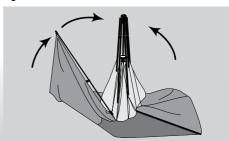


Figure 10



Warranty

OZtrail warrants this product against defects for a period of two years from the date of purchase. OZtrail will repair or replace the product, at its discretion, should a warrantable defect arise within the warranty period. If the exact model is unavailable a model of equivalent nature will be substituted at our discretion. This warranty excludes faults and failures caused by improper use and abuse; fair wear and tear; or failure to follow instructions regarding care and maintenance. Products used for a commercial nature are not covered by this warranty against defects. A warranty may be claimed by returning the product to its place of purchase, with a detailed proof-of-purchase clearly showing the date and detail of the purchase. You may also contact OZtrail Leisure Products, by phone: 07 3193 1110, or in writing: PO Box 1110, Eagle Farm QLD 4009, by email: warranty@oztrail.com.au. The benefits under OZtrail's warranty against defects are in addition to other rights and remedies under law in relation to goods.

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.

For more detailed information and an explanation of these terms see www.oztrail.com.au/warranty

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HELPFUL HINT:

AVOIDING MOULD AND MILDEW

You should always pack your products both clean and completely dry. In many climates there is a risk of Mould or Mildew damage to materials that are not packed away in a dry state, this condition is not covered by the warranty. After each camping trip, clean you products with warm soapy water and allow them to dry completely after rinsing them with fresh water.

CARING FOR YOUR SHOCK CORD

Shock cord is designed to help you keep your tent poles organised and to allow quick assembly of the poles. Over stretching the cord or dropping the poles will cause shock cord failure and this condition is not covered by the warranty.

INSURANCE, YOUR PROTECTION AGAINST THE UNEXPECTED

Most people have product problems from unexpected sources. Extreme weather is a good example of an unexpected problem. Make sure that you place you expensive Camping Products on your Home and Contents Insurance policy. Most good Insurers will cover the Storm damage to your tent or other products that falls outside of the warranty.



Prolonging The Life Of Your Tent/Shelter

- Temporary use only. Although our fabrics are treated for extra UV resistance, continuous exposure to sun light will reduce the life of the fabric. Fading of colour is an early warning sign. OZtrail products are not designed as permanent dwellings or structures.
- During rain always lower awnings to avoid water ponding.
- Never store a wet and/or soiled tent/shelter; as mildew and corrosion can form. Always allow the tent to dry completely before packing and stowing. If mildew occurs, use a soft bristle brush or sponge with mild detergent to clean it off. After beach use or wet weather treat all zips, poles and pegs with silicon spray.
- The elastic shock cord within the poles is provided for easy assembly of the poles.
 The shock cord is not required for any structural reason. The poles and tent perform perfectly well without the shock cord. Age, over stretching and mishandling may cause failure. Shock cord is not covered by warranty. It's easy to replace, see the instructions on page 12.
- Sometimes the zipper coil bursts open or does not close. This could be due to wear or metal fatigue. The problem can be easily fixed, see the instructions on page 15.
- Always carry a roll of heavy duty tape for simple repairs to small rips, cuts and ash burns. This not only blocks the hole, it will

- prevent further tearing. Heavy Duty tape is also helpful for emergency pole repairs and many other uses around the camp site.
- When removing pegs, do not use the webbing or corner of the tent as your handle. Either use another peg, a peg remover or the claw of a hammer hooked under the peg to remove them.

HELPFUL HINT

CONDITIONING YOUR NEW TENT

Once you get your new tent home, it is important to condition the tent. Simply pitch your tent and wet it down with your garden hose until the fabric and all seams are saturated. Pay particular attention to the seams - the thread swells when wet and blocks the needle holes. The needle holes also shrink around the thread. The fabric also benefits from this because the fibre swells into the weave and the waterproof treatment settles within the fabric. Let the tent dry completely before repeating this wetting and drying process until there is no leakage during hosing. Always pack your tent away dry.

MATERIALS:

Frame- Steel with plastic componentry
Tent- Polyester

CARE INSTRUCTIONS:

To remove marks, use a soft brush or sponge with fresh water and mild detergent only and rinse with fresh clean water. Allow to dry thoroughly. Never pack away damp, dirty or wet. After beach use or wet conditions wipe down all metal components and zips using fresh water, dry thoroughly and treat with silicon spray.



Important Safety and Care Information

Please read before setting up your tent/shelter

CAMP SAFE - SAFETY HABITS

Fabrics used in the construction of OZtrail tents/ shelter are treated for fire retardant properties. This treatment reduces the rate at which the fabric will burn. The fire retardant fabric will still burn if it comes into direct contact with a flame or extreme heat.

The application of any foreign substance to the fabric such as some water proofing treatments or insect sprays may render the fire retardant treatment process ineffective.

The following pages cover several safety tips that will help you avoid some of the common hazards encountered on a camping trip.

TO PREVENT INJURY CAUSED BY GAS POISONING OR SUFFOCATION

- Gas, fumes or lack of oxygen within the tent/ shelter could result in unconsciousness, brain damage and even death.
- Always ensure your tent/shelter is well ventilated. Even on the coldest night do not close every vent, window and door.
 A well ventilated tent not only maintains healthy Oxygen levels but also reduces condensation build up inside the tent.
- Do not use fuel burning, oxygen consuming devices inside the tent. This includes candles, gas lanterns, kerosene lamps, stoves, cooking and heating appliances.
- Do not use gas appliances of any kind inside the tent/shelter.

TO PREVENT INJURY CAUSED BY FIRE

- Do not pitch the tent/shelter near a camp fire or any other flame source
- Do not use candles, matches or any other flame source in or near the tent (this includes stoves, cooking equipment, lighting and heating appliances)
- Only use recommended water repellent compounds on the tent/shelter fly
- Do not spray tent fabrics with insecticides



TO PREVENT INJURY CAUSED BY ELECTRICITY

 Always exercise care when using electricity and electric lighting in and near tents/ shelters. Only use 12 volt lighting.





Important Safety and Care Information cont.

To prevent injury caused by your camping environment



• Do not pitch your tent/shelter on an area that could get flooded



Do not pitch your tent/shelter near cliffs in case of collapse or rock fall



 Do not leave your tent/shelter erected in strong winds - collapse the tent onto the ground and seek refuge in your vehicle



 Do not pitch your tent/shelter under trees with dead branches or under trees known to drop branches



Tent Pole and Shock Cord Replacement

Fibreglass Tent Pole

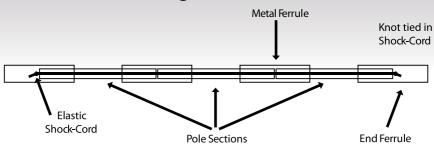


Figure 11

Tent Poles and Shock Cord are similar to the Tyres on your Car, they require both maintenance and replacement from time to time after unexpected damage. Over stretching, dropping and age are the most common causes of shock cord failure. Excessive curvature during tent assembly or during periods of high winds is the most common causes of pole failure. By maintaining both the Poles and Shock Cord you will be ensuring that you get the best performance and life out of your OZtrail Tent.

HELPFUL HINT

To maximise the life of your shock cord never drop the tents poles during transporting. When packing poles into their carry bag be careful not to settle them by tapping them vertically on a hard surface.

Replacing Shock-Cord

See Figure 11

Step One: Measure and Cut

Measure the length of the Tent Pole. You should use a length of Shock Cord roughly two-thirds the length of the Tent Pole. This will ensure that the Shock Cord has the appropriate amount of elasticity.

Step Two: Threading the Pole Sections

Tie a large knot in the end of the Shock Cord length. This knot needs to be large enough to stop it passing through the tubular hole in the pole sections whilst you are threading it. Thread the Shock Cord through the tubular hole in each pole section.



Tent Pole and Shock Cord Replacement cont.

HELPFUL HINT

Towards the end of the Pole Length it may get quite hard to thread the Pole Sections as the Shock Cord is stretching. To help avoid this, place all of the sections you have already threaded on the floor. Stretch the Shock Cord through them until you have much more than what you need for the rest of the sections to thread. Place your foot on the Shock Cord at the end of the last Pole Section you have threaded. This will maintain the stretch and give you plenty of Shock Cord to work with.

Once your new pole is cut to length you can follow the 'Replacing Shock-Cord' directions to get your Pole Length complete.

HELPFUL HINT

Helpful Hint Be prepared for unexpected breakages, always carry a few spare pole sections that match the diameter of your tent poles as well as some lengths of replacement shock cord. These items are available at all good Camping retailers.

Step Three: Tying Off

Once all of the Pole Sections have been threaded, you will need to tie a large knot in the Shock Cord, much the same as we did at the start. This Knot needs to be sufficiently large to stop it pulling through the hole. Once this is done, trim the excess Shock Cord at each end.

Replacing Tent Pole Sections

Much like Flat Tyre on your car, a broken Pole Section is an annoyance that can be easily rectified.

Cut the Shock Cord to enable you to remove the broken Pole Section. This is also a good time to replace the Shock Cord as well.

Measure both the diameter and overall length of the Pole Section. Once you have these measurements, you will be able to organise a Pole Replacement kit from your local Camping Goods retailer. You may have to cut the replacement pole to length. This can be done with a Hack Saw easily. Lightly sand the cut edge to remove any sharp edges.



Understanding Waterproofness

Know your tent

OZtrail tents are manufactured from waterproof and water repellent fabrics. However, with the addition of seams, zips and other desirable features a recreational tent will not be as waterproof as a car, house or other solid structures.

The following are common examples of how water can enter a tent: -

CONDENSATION

When warm moist air meets cooler air, condensation occurs. The tent/shelter fly forms an impermeable layer between the inside and outside conditions. The moisture inside the tent/shelter condenses on the fabric. Sometimes in cold conditions it appears that the fabric is leaking when in fact the cause is condensation. Condensation can be reduced if the tent/shelter is well ventilated.

7IPS

All care is taken in the design to cover zips. At times wind driven rain could force water under the flaps and through the zips. To minimise this, make sure all doors and windows are closed with the flaps covering the zips.

FLOOR

If the ground is very wet or water pools under the floor, downward pressure of standing or kneeling on the floor could force water through the floor fabric. To prevent this, do not pitch the tent over hollows and make sure water drains away from the tent.

STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY

A well pitched tent on level ground is structurally strong and most waterproof. During prolonged periods of rain and wind it may be necessary to tighten guy lines and reset the tent pegs and attend to drainage around the tent. Sagging and incorrect pitching weakens the tent structure and could allow water to pool on the fly placing undue forces on the tent causing leaking and breakages.





REDUCING THE RISK OF JAMMING FABRIC IN THE ZIP

- When using the zip, hold the pull-tab between your thumb and forefinger with your thumb facing you.
- As you are closing the zip clear the way in front and under the zip slider using the back of your hand, and cup the zip slider underneath with your remaining 3 fingers.

Use this action for opening or closing. Keep the fabric clear of the zip slider - zip and unzip slowly.

WHAT TO DO IF THE ZIPPER GETS CAUGHT

 Pull the fabric bit by bit out of the slider. Do not try and pull all the fabric in one go. Do not force the slider or the fabric.

IF THE SLIDER DOES NOT CLOSE THE ZIPPER PROPERLY

- With use, the jaws of the zip slider can open ever so slightly. When this occurs the slider does not compress the zip teeth or coil together tightly enough and the zip bursts open or does not close.
- Undo the zip and with the slider at the end of the zip lightly crimp the jaws of the slider together. Try top to bottom axis first and then side to side axis.

CRIMPING A ZIP-SLIDER

The most common reason why zips burst open is that the zip slider does not close the coil tightly enough. Wear and tear may cause the gap marked A to open up. See Figure 12.

By simply 'crimping" the slider together at points B & C with a pair of pliers, this solves the problem most of the time. Crimping in other planes is worth a try if B & C does not work. This is to be done when the zip slider is still attached to the zip in the open position. See Figure 12.

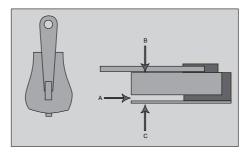


Figure 12



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