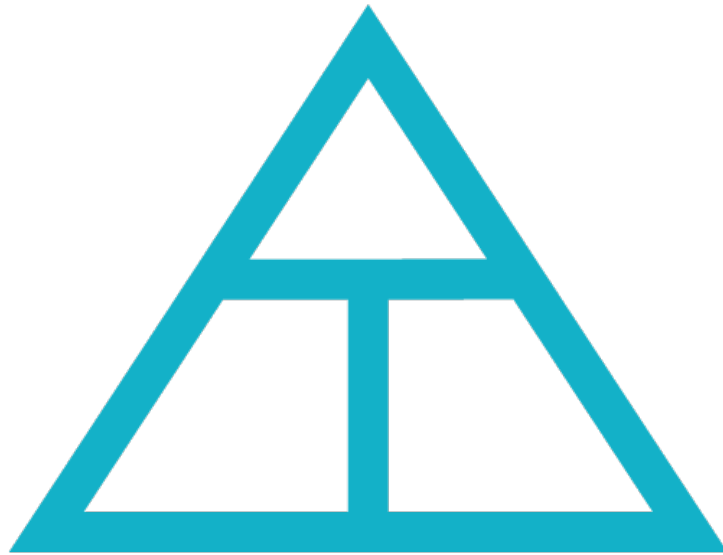




TENT & TRAIL

Roof Tent Safety User Guide

Make sure to read this document fully before attempting to use your roof tent.

Thank you for purchasing a Tent & Trail roof tent!

We appreciate your support and are excited to be part of your adventures. To ensure your safety and maximise the lifespan of your roof tent, please carefully read the following safety guidelines. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at:

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Introduction

Your Tent & Trail roof tent is designed to provide a safe and comfortable camping experience. However, like any outdoor equipment, it must be used correctly to ensure both your safety and the longevity of the tent. These guidelines will help you set up, use, and maintain your roof tent safely.

1. Pre-Trip Safety Checks

Before setting out on your adventure, perform the following checks:

Ensure your roof tent is properly mounted to your vehicle's roof rack or crossbars, and that all mounting bolts are securely fastened.

Check the dynamic weight capacity of your vehicle's roof and roof bars to confirm they can support the weight of the roof tent.

Inspect the tent fabric, zips, poles, and ladder for any signs of wear or damage.

Test the opening and closing mechanism to ensure it operates smoothly.

Verify that all tools required for installation and maintenance are packed.

2. Setting Up Your Roof Tent Safely

Choose a Stable Location: Park on level ground and avoid soft, uneven, or sloping surfaces.

Secure the Ladder: Extend the ladder fully and ensure the locking pins are properly engaged. Always place the ladder on firm, stable ground.

Check Wind Direction: Position your vehicle and roof tent to minimise wind resistance, with the tent's least resistant side facing away from strong winds.

Use All Safety Features: Secure all straps, poles, and guy ropes where applicable to ensure the roof tent remains stable.

Verify Load Distribution: Ensure weight is evenly distributed across the sleeping area to prevent strain on mounting points.

3. Safety During Use

Maximum Capacity: Do not exceed the recommended occupant weight limit of 250kg but check the specified weight for your roof tent model.

Ladder Use: Always climb the ladder cautiously, facing it while maintaining three points of contact. Do not exceed the recommended weight limit of 150kg.

Zips & Openings: Keep doors and windows securely zipped when not in use to prevent unwanted entry from wind, water, or wildlife.

Ventilation: Ensure proper airflow by slightly opening doors to reduce condensation and maintain fresh air circulation.

Extreme Weather Precautions: Avoid using the tent in severe weather conditions such as heavy storms, high winds (above 35mph), or extreme temperatures.

Fire Safety: Do not use open flames, heaters, or cooking appliances inside the tent. Always cook at a safe distance from the tent.

Pets & Children: Supervise pets and children at all times to prevent accidental falls or injuries.

4. Packing Down Your Roof Tent Safely

Remove Loose Items: Before closing the tent, ensure all bedding and gear are properly stored and secured.

Check for Obstructions: Ensure the fabric, poles, and any accessories are neatly folded inside the tent before securing the cover.

Secure All Straps & Latches: Confirm that all external clasps, Velcro straps, and protective covers are fastened properly before driving.

Ladder Storage: Collapse the ladder carefully and store carefully as not to damage.

5. Driving with a Roof Tent

Adjust Driving Habits: A roof tent adds weight and height to your vehicle, so drive cautiously, particularly when cornering, braking, or traveling at high speeds (Max speed 70mph).

Height Clearance Awareness: Be mindful of low-clearance areas such as garages, drive-throughs, and tunnels.

Regular Checks: Periodically stop to inspect the roof tent's mounting brackets and bolts to ensure they remain tight and secure.

6. Long-Term Maintenance & Storage

Clean After Use: Wipe down the tent fabric to remove dirt and moisture before storing.

Dry Thoroughly: Allow the tent to dry completely to prevent mould and mildew.

Inspection: Regularly open tent (6-8 weeks) to inspect for signs of ingress of moisture that might cause mould or signs of wear and tear. Repair any minor issues promptly to extend the tent's lifespan.

Store in a Cool, Dry Place: When not in use, store your tent in a protective cover in a dry environment.

7. Emergency Preparedness

Weather Monitoring: Always check the forecast before your trip and prepare for unexpected weather changes.

Emergency Exit Plan: Familiarise yourself with how to exit the roof tent quickly in case of an emergency.

First Aid Kit: Keep a first aid kit and emergency supplies readily accessible in your vehicle.

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