



Gerjak Dear Customer,

We would like to wish you much pleasure with your new Gerjak product.

We very much appreciate that you have chosen our product! Following are some hints and tips to give you pleasure for years to come with your Gerjak Annexe.

Please note that it is advisable to set up your new awning and check it before you go on vacation. This will make for easier assembly at the site of your destination.

You will find below information that includes:

- Pre assembly checks and roof pole hook attachments.
- Trap Spanner, Robuusta hostelry, Corner Tie Downs.
- The use of zippers and unpacking the frame.
- Setting up the tent/annexe.
- Maintenance and cleaning tent material, windows & frame.
- Condensation, mildew and stains fight, wear zipper

Is the caravan rail in order?

To avoid damaging the tendon of the awning and to ensure best use of your awning, inspect the caravan rail for unevenness and look for sharp protrusions.

Is everything in place?

Make sure all standard accessories are in the boxes delivered, such as: Tent, frame, pipe clamps, hook pads, draft skirt and wheel arch cover, curtains.

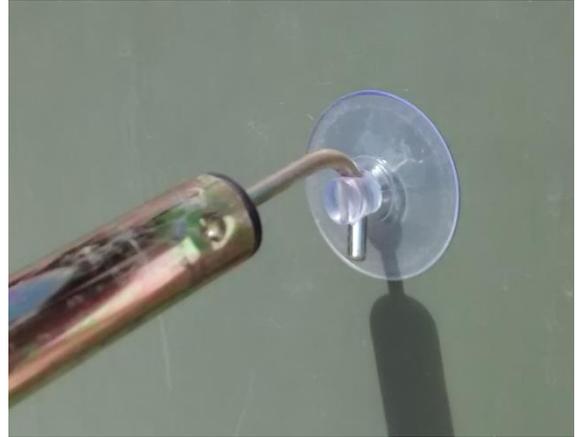
Clip-on System or Roof Pole Hook Pads

All tents are equipped with a double tendon. The thickest tendon should make to slide through the skirting rail on the caravan. The extra tendon is used for the clip-on cubes which attach to the (3) roof pole hooks. The cubes are supplied for used on selected models only.

Through the rail, you are free each time to choose where to place the rafters. This can be important if, for example you are setting up on sloping terrain.

The clip-on cubes or suction hook pads are ideally situated right and left at about 200-210 cm from the ground. Clip-on cubes need to be pinched to open (like a clothes pin) and attached to the thinner tendon. Then you can lock the block by turning the screw.

See pictures on following page-



Trap Spanner

Gerjak tents have stairs tensioners which the frame uprights (legs) locate into. Once in position the leg can be adjusted to achieve the correct roof height and tension.



Robuusta afspanning

Gerjak tents feature sturdy afspanning Robuusta. This allows you to tightly tension your tent. No more fiddling with loose elastic. In your accessories bag, you will find the corresponding blocks and elastics.



The use of the zippers

The Gerjak tents are equipped with zippers at both ends to make them universal. As a result, the possibility exists to use the zippers as a door or as a zipper to attach a veranda.



Tie Down Straps

The Gerjak tents have on the outside edges a feature called Tie Down Straps. These allow added tightening of the tent and for the corners to be properly secured. When setting, it is therefore desirable to first tighten the corners so you get a square before then tightening down the intermediate pegs.



Unpacking/identifying the frame

The easiest way is to take the frame components from the bag and sort through them piece by piece to identify the different items. By doing this it soon becomes clear as to where many pieces need to be positioned in order to fit together.

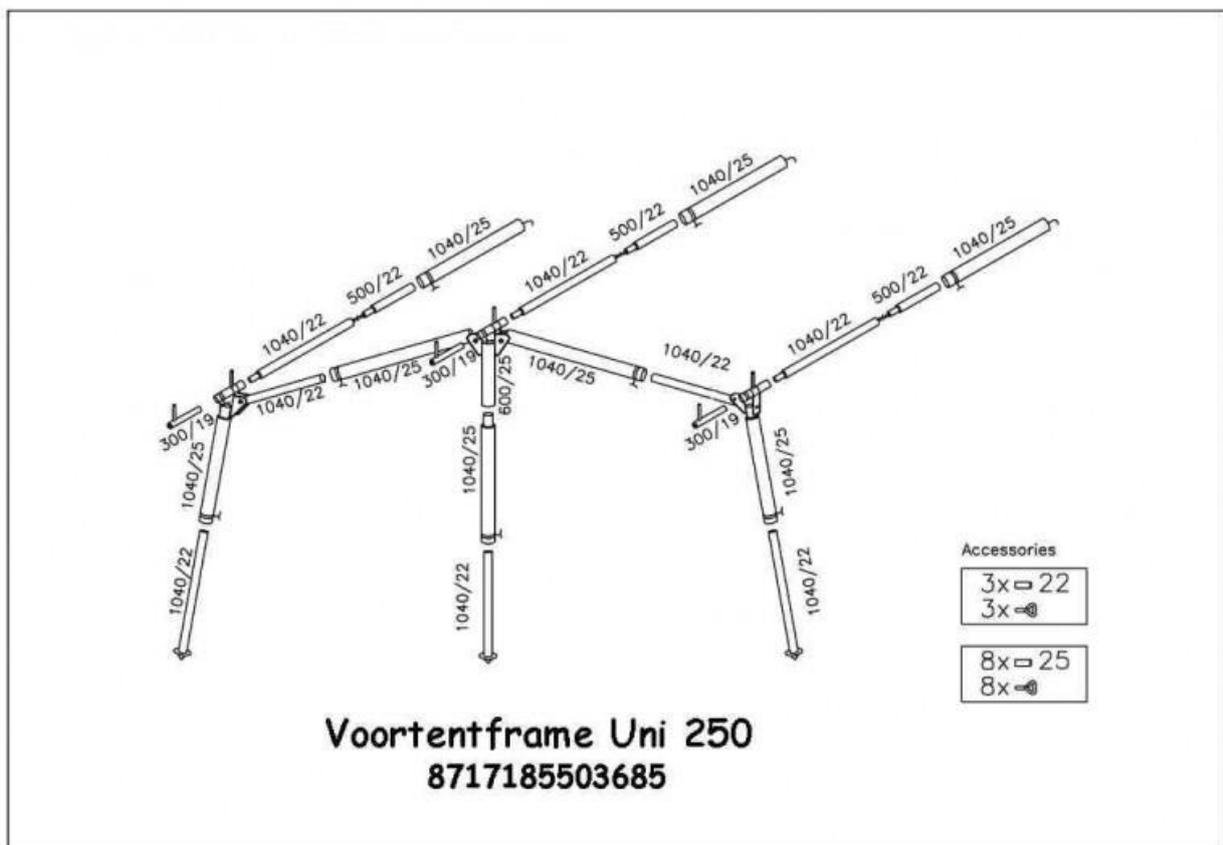
For example- Leg Portions can be recognised by the foot at the bottom of the tube/pole.

- The Roof Beams are identified by the hook that is on the rafter end for attachment to the caravan. Put these separately.
- There are 3 Roof Pole assemblies consisting of 1 short & 1 long pole.
- You have 2 x Corner Brackets and a Centre (angle) Bracket. These come with poles attached. Also set these aside.
- There are 3 extension pieces with locating/anchor sticks.

By reaching this point, more than half of the frame components have already been identified. Refer to the Awning Frame diagram to identify any remaining parts.

*We recommend to first unpack the tent and attach it to the caravan, before fitting the roof beams and uprights.

Awning Frame



Setting up the tent

1. Turn your caravan level.
2. Place frame according to drawing on the site.
3. Check your rail unevenness to prevent damage to your awning.
4. First remove the detachable walls of the tent. This helps to make it lighter and easier to manage.
5. Now pull the awning through the caravan rail. This is best be done by two people, one to pull the tent through the rail, the other to guide the cord along the caravan rail.
6. Pull the tent out/away from the caravan rail and check that the left and right sides are at the same height and length.
7. Now attach the blocks to the tent rail or suction hook pads to the side of the caravan (approx. 200-210 cm) in preparation for the attachment of the frame.
8. Insert the middle upright. Put this in the first instance at the bottom angled inward, so that it stays. Then the middle rafter pole - Secure by hooking the hook in the clip-on cube or suction hook pad at one end and sliding over the adjoining roof pole at the other (not yet tensioning).
9. Position the right-hand corner upright and assemble the tubes of the (angled) centre piece and the corner bracket ensuring they slide together and lock (not yet tensioning). Place the upright leg on the stairs tensioner (*see* Trapspanner).
10. Next, assemble and position the rafter poles as described in point 8. See also- Awning Frame diagram. Repeat this assembly for the LH side.

Note: Once the frame is assembled, check that the adjustable poles are not applying tension in any one direction.

*You can now Zipper all the walls into the tent and start tensioning.

11. Begin by first tensioning the two rear corners on the van side and then subsequently the two front corners i.e. so that a square (as it were) arises. Pull the corners until there is firm resistance, thus forming a straight line from corner to corner.

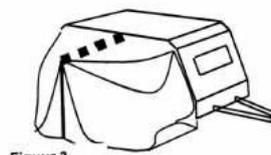
Note: It is best to tension the front wall by pulling diagonally, in order to prevent the door zippers from coming loose or separating.



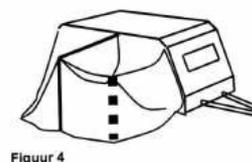
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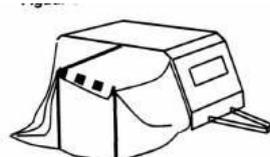
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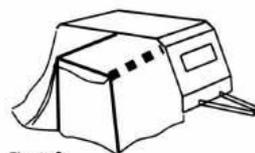
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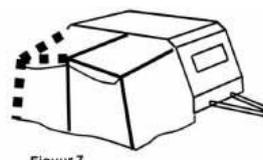
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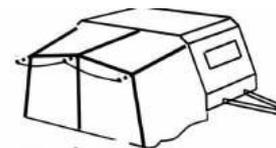
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Figuur 6



Figuur 7



Figuur 8

Care and Cleaning

Maintenance

Extending the life of your awning can be achieved by handling and maintaining it the right way. Store your tent clean and dry and remove ropes and rubber rings. When cleaning of the tent- NEVER use phosphate-based soaps or similar cleaning agents!

Tent Material: Use a soft brush to remove excess dirt before cleaning with lukewarm water and a suitable cloth.

Windows: Clean windows the same as the awning. Do not apply methylated spirits or other cleaners.

All-Season use: Regular cleaning brush dry tent with a soft brush. Slight mould stains on the inside of the tent material can be cleaned with a 1:10 chlorine / water solution.

Note: This mixture must be applied while wearing an appropriate face mask. Withdraw (once done) and allow to dry. Do not brush or scrub.

Resin Stains: Gently scrape and clean with warm water and a soft brush.

Frame: Both the standard tent frame as all other metals components- Disassemble parts from each other and first remove dirt and sand before treating the parts with car wax or Vaseline (joints). Aluminium frames have no special need for treatment, although it is always necessary to keep the frame clean and dry.

Moisture

Condensation is a normal phenomenon that occurs in all tents. Moisture especially occurs when a lower temperature prevails outside than in the tent, causing the moisture in the air, clothes and breath is deposited on the cloth. Cooking with gas can also cause a lot of condensation.

To minimise condensation it is recommended to provide the tent with a ground sheet and to ventilate as much as possible. Vacating the tent for extended periods (where possible) is also recommended in order to avoid build-up of condensation and allow existing condensation to clear.

*Condensation is sometimes mistaken for leakage and the tent is needlessly sent back to the factory for inspection.

Mildew and Stains

Inadequate ventilation can cause mould. It is important that your tent is stored dry to avoid development of mould or moisture stains. If you must pack- up the tent while still wet, let it dry out again as soon as possible. Take particular care that you dry the corner creases with a cloth.

Fortunately, fungus is unlikely to damage the canvas and waterproofing of the tent and is not difficult to clean. The inside of the roof can be treated with a solution of one part bleach and ten parts of water. This can be applied with a plant sprayer, and then left to dry.