### STORM LASHING

The best way to protect your tent from strong winds is to correctly set up and position your tent and to run extra storm lines form the poles and fly. How and where you apply these lines depends on the design of your tent.

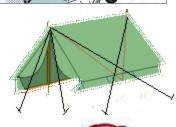
## Set up

A sloppy set-up means more work in the long run. If possible your tent's main entrance should face downwind, with the long axis aligned parallel to the wind.



### • Traditional A Frame tents

Run twin guy lines from each pole peak. Extend these lines outward at 45 degree angles to the poles. You will now have 3 lines running from each pole. Extra lines can also be run from each pole diagonally across the tent.



# Self supported A Frame tents

Attach twin lines directly to the poles and crossbars as you would with the traditional A frame tents. However be sure you reach up under the fly. Use a Lark's head knot to attach the extra lines. Attach lines to the frame and not the fabric.



#### Dome tents

Prepare a rope ring for the top of your dome tent or pop-up. To make this rope ring tie a rope together with a reef knot. Suspend at least 4 double guy ropes from the ring by lark's head knots. The size of this ring will depend upon the size of your tent or pop-up. Place the rope ring over the dome of your tent or the top portion of your pop-up. Extend guys at 45 degree angles and secure them to the ground.



## Lark's Head knot



# • Flys

Many flys have extra tabs provided for extra guy lines. Check these to be sure they are reinforced before attaching extra guy lines.

# Kitchen Tarps

The best way to storm proof your kitchen tarp is to customize it at home before camp. If you sew extra loops on your tarp, be sure to back all of these with heavy material. Seal all sewn seams. Use a trucker's hitch to tighten tarp lines.

