

CLOTHING, SLEEPING BAG AND TENT CARE

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However, even the highest grade of insulation/filling will eventually lose some thermal efficiency and structure after repeated wash cycles, so we recommend that washing your jacket or sleeping bag should not be done often, in particular when using a washing machine. Whenever possible, instead of a full wash, we recommend the sponging of both inner and outer fabrics with soap and water. Then dry and air the jacket or sleeping bag thoroughly before storing back in its compression sack.

SLEEPING BAG CARE

WASHING YOUR SLEEPING BAG

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If you are machine washing your sleeping bag make sure you read the following guidelines for best results. These steps will ensure that your sleeping bag will last longer, plus, prevent huge loss in its thermal efficiency and structure.

- Zip up the sleeping bag and ensure any draw-cords are entirely in the machine and not trapped in the door before starting.
- Machine wash on a cool and gentle setting (never more than 30°C/86°F) in a front loading domestic washing machine (we would advise against using a top loader as the agitator can damage the product).
- Avoid the use of liquid detergent and fabric softeners as this can leave a residue on the bag, a low or fragrance-free powder is ideal.

DRYING YOUR SLEEPING BAG

We recommend to line dry your clothing and not to tumble dry for the following reasons. Drying any bulky clothing in a tumble drier could result in heat damage to the products. Heat damage can happen even on low-temperature settings if the sleeping bag is left in the dryer too long or if it does not have enough space in which to tumble freely.

Snugpak Tip: Using a loose liner, which can be washed separately as often as you like, will undoubtedly extend your bags life. Some of our sleeping bag liners will also add an extra layer of comfort and warmth to your bag.

TENT CARE

The fabric of your tent will last longer if you limit its UV exposure. Do not leave the tent up for longer than necessary after each use (for example, in a tent left up over the course of an entire summer in direct sunlight, the fabric will slowly become less pliable and more brittle, as it gets damaged by UV rays) If needed, the tent may be washed with soapy water and a sponge, then rinsed. Use a gentle detergent or dish soap.

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TENT CARE (cont'd)

Do not use any products which contain chlorine. Towel dry and then hang or spread flat to make certain tent is completely dry. We recommend a product such as Nikwax. Always make sure that the tent fabric is completely dry before storage. Storing a tent with damp fabric may result in the growth of mould.

- Do not cook inside a tent
- Do not smoke inside a tent
- Do not pitch your tent too close to a campfire.
- Do not use candles, matches or open flames of any kind in or near a tent
- Do not use water collected from the surface of the tent for cooking or drinking.
- Do not operate any device inside the tent which burns fuel. (Examples: Barbecue, cooktop, kerosene heater).
- Do not store flammable liquids inside a tent; do not re-fill lamps, heaters or stoves inside a tent

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ZIP CARE

OPEN-END ZIPPER

When closing pull the slider down completely until it touches the retainer box. Next fully insert the separable pin into the box. (Incomplete insertion may cause problems.) While holding the insert pin side with one hand, pull up the slider with the other hand. When opening pull the slider down completely until it touches the retainer box, then gently pull out the separable pin with your hand.

TWO-WAY OPEN ZIPPER

Zips for sleeping bags will be ruined if they become jammed or if the two parts not fitted together properly on a two-way zipper. When closing pull the upper slider down until it touches the bottom slider, then Insert the separable pin to the very bottom of the bottom slider. (Incomplete insertion may cause problems.) Then pull the upper slider up with your hand. When opening the zip, pull the slider down entirely until it touches the bottom slider and then gently pull out the separable pin with your hand.

STORAGE

RECOMMENDED STORAGE

Over time insulated clothing and or sleeping bags performance levels will degrade, and one of the biggest reasons why is incorrect storage of your Snugpak product. We advise that the best way to store your insulated product would be to lay it flat and loosely fold it where possible. Loosely folding, will ensure that the insulation isn't being compressed and will maintain the products loft.

Alternatively, hanging is another effective way of maintaining your insulated products loft and prolonging its thermal properties from deteriorating.

COMPRESSION SACK STORAGE

It is important that if you store your insulated product in its compression sack, to regularly take it out and leave it unfolded or unrolled for a couple of hours. This allows the insulation to 'breathe' and will also prolong its thermal properties from deteriorating.