

Tarps Now® Releases New Series of Durable Tarps used to Create Temporary Shelters following Various Disasters

Company offers New Line of Heavy Duty Tarps used to provide Emergency Shelter following Major Storms and Hurricanes

ST. JOSEPH, MICHIGAN, UNITED STATES, March 23, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- ST JOSEPH, MI, UNITED STATES, MARCH 23, 2018 - While potential national disasters like tornados, hurricanes and other storms have a degree of predictability, others like earthquakes and civil unrest are not. A disaster kit that includes a variety of high quality tarps can be a life saver. Turning a tarp into a temporary shelter after a natural disaster or storm is actually very easy. A simple, A-Frame shelter takes only minutes to construct. Tarps Now® is pleased to provide the materials and guidance needed to maximize disaster preparedness, as follows:

Step 1. What You Need: Waterproof <u>Canvas Tarps</u> with Grommet Holes, Waterproof <u>Poly Tarps</u> with Grommet Holes, Utility Cord (6 feet longer than your Tarps, cut in 12" pieces, and Stakes or sticks.

Step 2. Locate Places to Secure Tarps: Locate a flat area between two trees and make sure there are no loose or dead branches in the trees that could be dislodged by wind or rain and fall on your shelter. Choose two trees at least as far apart as the length of your guy wire cord.

Step 3. Secure Cordage in Place: Tie one end of the guy wire cord to one tree using a half-hitch knot. Use a hangman's knot to attach the other end of the cord to the second tree and pull it taught. This is the ridgeline for the roof of your shelter. HINT: Put your guy wire higher in warm weather for shade and lower in cold, wet conditions for maximum protection.

Step 4. Line up Tarp over Cordage over venter Ridgeline: Place the tarp over the ridgeline. Center the tarp so that equal halves are hanging on either side of ridgeline.

Step 5. Tie In Cordage: Secure the tarp to the ridgeline using two pieces of the shorter cord. Tie a piece of cord to the ridgeline at one end of the tarp using a prusik knot. Find the grommet hole nearest to the center of the tarp and thread the ends of the prusik knot through the holes and tie them off with a half-hitch. Repeat at the other end of the tarp and slide the prusik knots toward the trees to tighten.

Step 6. Secure the Edges: Secure the tarp edges to the ground by placing stakes/sticks in the ground at 45 degree angles from each corner of the tarp. Wrap a piece of cord securely around the stake/stick, loop it through the grommet, and tie it off using a half-hitch knot.

Tarps provide varying levels of protection. For instance, Hurricane Tarps, Canvas Tarps and Heavy Duty Poly Tarps are much sturdier than other types of tarps. Providing shelter until help arrives is just one use for an emergency tarp. Hurricane Tarps are also used for other purposes, such as protecting roofs and outbuildings while storm tarps protect the windows of your home. Whatever the emergency, good quality tarps are indispensable survival tools following storms, hurricanes and other natural disasters. Contact <u>www.tarpsnow.com</u> to learn more.

About Tarps Now

Tarps Now features an extensive online catalog of canvas tarps, poly tarps, custom tarps and covers, mesh tarps, vinyl tarps and divider curtains. As specialists in custom, canvas and vinyl tarps, they are the low price leaders in their category. The company offers the convenience of fast, easy, online ordering as well as a knowledgeable staff to guide customers through the specification process insuring their project will be completed on time and in budget. Tarps Now has the experience and scale to insure customer specifications are carefully followed and expectations exceeded, for every project, large or small.

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