10', 15' and 20' Homesteader Flagpole Installation Instructions

Your new Homesteader Flagpole is of anodized, all aluminum construction, and will require no further care or maintenance after installation.

INSTALLATION:

Prepare a hole in the ground 12" in diameter, and 21" deep for a 10' Pole, 24" deep for a 15' Pole or 26" deep for a 20' Pole. Fill the bottom of the hole with gravel and sand to a depth of 6". Place the PVC setting tube into the hole, and work the bottom into the sand. Plumb and brace foundation sleeve, then pour concrete into hole around the sleeve to within 1" to 1-1/2" of the top. Be careful to keep the inside of the tube clean and free of concrete. Re-plumb the foundation sleeve before the concrete sets, by temporarily inserting the bottom section of the pole into the foundation sleeve. Allow concrete to cure 24 hours before installing flagpole.

ASSEMBLY:

Slide sections together, with the swedged ends extending **upwards** into the next section. The top section will always be the unswedged section, the second section from the bottom will always be a swedged section drilled for the cleat (except for the 10' Homesteader where the cleat holes will be drilled on the unswedged section). The remaining sections complete the flagpole. Attach the cleat using the self-tapping screws supplied.

Screw the ball stem tightly into the top of the truck. Thread the rope halyard over the pulley in the truck, and secure each flag snap into place about mid-rope (see drawing). Fasten truck to pole, using a screw driver to tighten the set screws. Make certain that the pulley in truck is aligned over cleat.

If optional flash collar is supplied, slide the collar on the bottom of the pole and temporarily tape it to the pole below the cleat. Slide bottom of assembled sections into foundation sleeve, aligning the truck and cleat in the desired direction. Drop collar down upon foundation and caulk it into place. Adjust distance between flag snaps to fit the size flag being flown. Attach the flag to the flag snaps and wrap the halyard around the cleat.

ALTERNATE "A":

When concrete is not available at the installation site, you can use a large plastic wastebasket or pail as a concrete form, in this way you can cast the concrete foundation in one location, and the move it to the jobsite for final installation. The wastebasket or pail should be 15" to 18" deep, and at least 18" in diameter. If you decide to leave the form in place around the concrete when installing the foundation, be sure to cut an opening in the bottom of the plastic so that the butt of the flagpole can contact the sand. When you place the pre-cast foundation into the hole, work it well into the sand before backfilling. All back fill must be firmly tamped, layer by layer.

ALTERNATE "B":

When it is not practical to use a concrete foundation, you will find that an 8" diameter hole cut into firm soil with a post-hole digger will work just as well. After the hole is dug, carefully plumb the setting tube before tamping backfill into the hole. All back fill must be firmly tamped and compressed, layer by layer.







Slip a loop through the bottom of the snap



Put loop over the snap



Draw the loop behind the snap



Draw tight



Pull rope toward the bottom of the snap



CAUTION Extreme caution should be exercised when installing flagpoles near overhead powerlines or in the vicinity of buried cables