

# CAREFREE CAMPOUT AWNING

## OWNER'S MANUAL/OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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**READ ENTIRE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE BEGINNING OPERATION. FOLLOW ALL CAUTIONS, WARNINGS AND NOTES TO PREVENT INJURY OR DAMAGE TO AWNING OR VEHICLE.**

**CUSTOMER MUST RECEIVE THIS MANUAL UPON INSTALLATION—MANUAL CONTAINS SAFETY, INSTALLATION, OPERATION, CARE AND MAINTENANCE AND WARRANTY INFORMATION**

### SECTION 1: SAFETY INFORMATION

**CAUTION:** means a hazard that may cause minor or moderate injury if the warning is ignored. It also may mean a hazard that will cause damage to property.

**CAUTION: CAUTION: ALWAYS SUPPORT THE LEAD RAIL WITH YOUR HAND ONCE THE BAG IS UNZIPPED.**

**CAUTION: ONCE THE CENTER STRAP IS DETACHED, THE LEAD BAR WILL NO LONGER BE SUPPORTED BY THE AWNING BAG. IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO PHYSICALLY HOLD THE LEAD BAR TO PREVENT THE AWNING FROM FALLING OR INADVERTENTLY UNROLLING!**

**CAUTION: GROUND STAKES WILL NOT PREVENT THE AWNING FROM MOVING IN THE WIND!**

**CAUTION: ONCE THE FLIPPER ARM IS RELEASED, THE SUPPORT ARM WILL WANT TO SLIDE DOWNWARD QUICKLY. TAKE CARE TO KEEP HANDS AWAY FROM ANY POSSIBLE PINCH POINTS WHEN LOWERING SUPPORT ARM!**

### SECTION II: OPERATION

#### 1. TO EXTEND AWNING

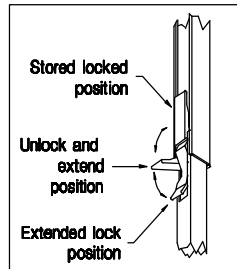
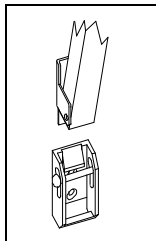
**NOTE: CAMPOUT CAN BE SET UP BY ONE PERSON BUT IS EASIER WITH TWO.**

- A. Carefully unzip Campout storage bag. **CAUTION: ALWAYS SUPPORT THE LEAD RAIL WITH YOUR HAND ONCE THE BAG IS UNZIPPED.** Move to the center of the bag and detach the velcro strap that is supporting the leadrail at this point.

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- B. Unroll awning to complete extension.

- C. Remove one support arm assembly from the front storage slot in lead rail. Swing the arm assembly toward vehicle and slide the foot into the bottom bracket. Adjust the height of support arm and lock into place.

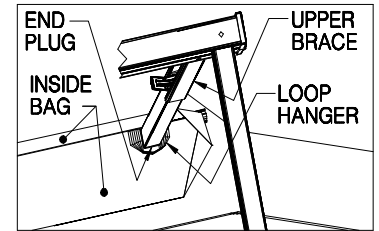


(Lock into place by pushing the flipper lock downward, past center until it is almost parallel with the arm).

- D. Repeat with opposite end support arm assembly.

#### 1. TO EXTEND AWNING (cont.)

- E. Release upper brace from lead bar and extend upward. Place end of brace in upper rafter loop hanger located inside the bag approximately 4" in from each outer edge. If using an Add-A-Room or Screenroom, place braces in loops behind the bag.



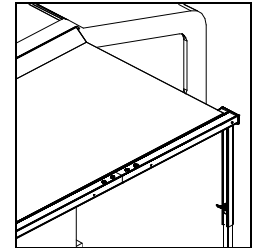
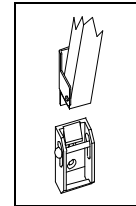
- F. Extend brace outward to tension canopy by forcing the end plug on the brace against the vehicle body. Lock into place by pushing the flipper lock, past center until it is almost parallel with the rafter assembly.

#### 2. CARPORT POSITION

**NOTE: 6' CAMPOUTS CANNOT BE PLACED IN THE CARPORT POSITION!**

- A. Extend awning as described in previous steps, 1.A through 1.F.

- B. Release carport foot from bottom bracket by holding upward on the pin and then raising the foot out of the bracket.

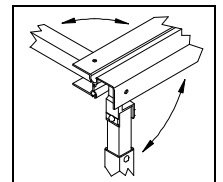


- C. Swing arm outward and stand up vertically. Drive ground stakes through the holes in the foot and into the ground for support. **CAUTION: GROUND STAKES WILL NOT PREVENT THE AWNING FROM MOVING IN THE WIND!**

#### 3. TO CLOSE AWNING

- A. Lower awning down to its lowest position by releasing the flipper latch on the support arm assembly. **CAUTION: ONCE THE FLIPPER LATCH IS RELEASED, THE SUPPORT ARM WILL WANT TO SLIDE DOWNWARD QUICKLY. TAKE CARE TO KEEP HANDS AWAY FROM ANY POSSIBLE PINCH POINT WHEN LOWERING SUPPORT ARM!**

- B. Remove one upper brace assembly from the loop hanger. Collapse brace assembly completely and store brace assembly in lead rail.

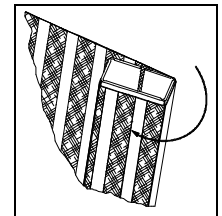


- C. Repeat with opposite brace assembly.

- D. Remove one lower arm assembly from bottom bracket, pivot upward and store in lead rail.

- E. Repeat with opposite arm assembly.

- F. Move to center of awning (if operating with one person). Grasp lead rail and roll fabric up to the stored position inside of the bag. **NOTE: LEAD RAIL MUST ROLL UNDER FABRIC. FABRIC MUST BE ROLLED TIGHT ON THE LEAD RAIL IN ORDER TO OBTAIN PROPER STORAGE.**



- G. Attach center Velcro strap around leadrail and fabric. Zip up bag to store for travel.

**11' and 12' CAMPOUTS COME EQUIPPED WITH A CENTER RAFTER. TO MOUNT RAFTER PLACE THE END OF THE RAFTER INTO THE CENTER LOOP HANGER IN THE BAG. ADJUST RAFTER USING FLIPPER LOCKS AND PLACE THE OTHER END INTO THE INSIDE OF THE LEAD RAIL.**

## SECTION III: CARE AND MAINTENANCE

### 1. CARE OF FABRIC

Mildew will not form on the awning material itself, but may form on the dust allowed to accumulate on the canopy. A mild cleaner will keep your vinyl awning looking like new. Follow instructions on container.

**NOTE: ALLOW CANOPY TO DRY COMPLETELY BEFORE ROLLING AWNING UP.**

Metal surfaces should be cleaned with warm soapy solution and thoroughly rinsed.

### 2. PERIODIC MAINTENANCE

Like any other part of the RV, an owner should periodically inspect the awning. The following items should be checked.

- A. All mounting screws are tight.
- B. Check all pivot points for enlargements of holes or broken rivets.
- C. Check that the awning rail is tight against coach and all screws are tight.
- D. Check canopy for loose stitching and possible shrinkage.

## SECTION IV: WARRANTY

Know your rights and responsibilities before operating this product! Please read the "limited" warranty provisions below carefully. Improper operation and maintenance, abuse, neglect, etc., will void your warranty.

1. **Duration:** Two Year Limited Warranty. Two years parts, labor and freight on all components.
2. **Who gives this warranty?**  
Carefree of Colorado, A Scott Fetzer Company (the "Company").
3. **Who receives this warranty?**  
The original purchaser (the "Purchaser"), other than for purposes of resale, of a Campout Awning. This warranty is not transferable.
4. **Responsibilities of the Company under this warranty.**  
Repair or replace at Warrantor's option, of the covered part(s) which Warrantor, in the exercise of its reasonable discretion, determines to be effective; provided that the Warrantor receives notice of the defect within the stated warranty period for the respective product/ component. Warrantor will also pay the respective servicing dealer or agent for performing any repairs authorized by Warrantor as per the terms of this warranty. Company will allow for normal freight and labor charges - labor is based on Flat Rate Form. CHARGES FOR TRAVEL TIME AND MILEAGE ARE NOT COVERED BY THE WARRANTY.
5. **Responsibilities of the Purchaser under this warranty.**
  - A. Promptly notify seller, or alternately, the Company of any claim hereunder.
  - B. Retain dated proof of purchase for specified product, and provide it as requested.
  - C. Inspect the awning upon purchase to confirm the condition of the canopy and the proper operation of the product.
  - D. Perform "Periodic Preventative Maintenance" as specified in Owners Manual.
  - E. Deliver any product claimed or found defective during warranty period to the nearest Carefree of Colorado Authorized Service Dealer. The Original Purchaser is responsible for any expenses related to delivery or pick up of product to/from the Service Dealer. Visit [carefreeofcolorado.com](http://carefreeofcolorado.com) for the name of nearest Authorized Service Dealer, or call Carefree at the phone number shown above.
  - F. At the option the Company, return the product or part to Carefree Colorado for inspection. Carefree Authorization to Return form must be obtained before any product or part is returned.
  - G. Use reasonable care in maintenance, operation, use and storage of the product in accordance with the instructions contained in the owner's manual.
6. **What is covered by this warranty?**
  - A. Defects on the manufacturer's material and workmanship of product under normal use, and which occur within the duration of the warranty period. On all awnings, the following parts are covered only as follows: (a) Fabrics, free from quality defects (normal wear and fading are excluded); (b) Roller Tube, against extrusion defects; (c) Springs (or Motor) Assembly(ies), against breakage; and (d) Hardware, against extrusion defects.

### 7. What is not covered under this warranty?

- A. Fabric damage such as pinholes or tears not reported within ten (10) calendar days of purchase.
- B. Improper installation and/or any damage or failure that results from improper installation of the product, including fabric damage caused by improper installation.
- C. Product abuse and normal wear. "Normal Wear" includes the occasional need to re-tension the awning.
- D. Conditions that are not related to the material or workmanship of the product: including any failure that results from an accident, wind, rain, water pooling, or other acts of God; purchaser's abuse; neglect; failure to operate, or use or maintain the product in accordance with the instructions provided in the Owners Manual supplied with the product; (failure to operate the product(s) in accordance with instructions in the Owner's Manual and on the product shall also include the removal or alteration of any product component or device. In the event of any such removal or alteration, this warranty is void).
- E. Any component not sold or manufactured by the Company.
- F. ANY INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, OR CONSEQUENTIAL LOSS, DAMAGE, OR EXPENSE THAT MAY RESULT FROM ANY DEFECT, FAILURE, OR MALFUNCTION OF THE CAREFREE OF COLORADO PRODUCT. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation on incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.
- G. Damage while traveling due to the awning not being properly stowed.
- H. Any failure that results from the use of another product with a Warrantor's product that is not specifically approved by the Warrantor.

### 8. When Warrantor will perform repair or replacement under warranty.

- A. Repair or replacement will be scheduled and performed according to normal work flow at the nearest Authorized Service Dealer, and depending on the availability of replacement parts.
- B. If the Purchaser does not receive satisfactory results from the Authorized Service Dealer, the Purchaser should contact the Carefree of Colorado Customer Care Department.

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS AND YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM STATE TO STATE. No action to enforce this warranty shall be commenced later than 30 days expiration of the warranty period. The duration of this Limited Warranty also limits the duration of any implied warranty such as warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular use or purpose. Some states do not allow such limitations so the implied warranty limitation may not apply to you. Carefree of Colorado reserves the right to change the specifications and design of any product without notice and with no obligation to make corresponding changes to products previously manufactured.

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