ROOFNEST Elevate Your Experience
Condensation Guide
You’ve found yourself a sick campsite, finished the feasting and story-telling, and you’ve drifted off to sleep in the comfort of your Roofnest... only to be woken many hours later to the sound of drip, drip, drip as you watch the condensation from your breath forming droplets on the walls.

You’re 100% protected from the elements outside but how do you prevent this build-up of moisture inside your tent? You obviously can’t stop breathing!!

Condensation is hard to prevent when you’re camping in colder temps but we’ve put together this doc to help you minimize it and deal with it when it happens.
What is condensation and how does it form?

Condensation is the moisture you find on the inside walls of your tent and sleeping bag when you wake up in a warm tent after a cold night. Condensation happens when moisture in the air hits the cold walls and the water vapor turns to liquid as it cools. The air inside your tent can fill with moisture from several sources:

- **Your breath** (as much as a liter over the course of the night!)
- **Wet clothes or other gear inside the tent**
- **The natural humidity in the air**

Over the course of the night, depending on the number of bodies in your tent and other factors, this moisture can turn into quite the pool of water.

Below we suggest some ways to minimize condensation in your Roofnest.
How to prevent condensation in your Roofnest

Ventilation, ventilation, ventilation...

The absolute best way to prevent condensation is by leaving your windows (the higher the better) slightly unzipped to encourage air flow.

Consider camping with your tent facing into the wind to allow mother nature to help.

Note: If you have a particular problem with condensation, consider purchasing a rechargeable fan to help.

Some other ways to minimize condensation:

- Don't bring wet clothes or gear into the tent.
- If you like sleeping with your pet inside the tent and condensation is a real problem, consider training him or her to sleep inside your car.
- Avoid camping near streams or other wet areas which will increase the humidity in the air.
What to do if you wake up with a wet tent?

Sometimes no matter what you do, condensation still occurs and you wake up with unwanted water inside your tent.

- It’s good to have a small towel handy so you can wipe down the tent walls, ceiling, and floor to get as much moisture out of your tent as possible.

- If you’re able, **always dry the tent out before closing it** to get on the road – and make sure to remove any wet gear or bedding from your Roofnest as well.

- If you’re unable to dry it because of time or weather, **make sure that you dry out the tent within 36 hours** – you never want to leave a wet tent closed for long. Doing so will result in mold and mildew growth ([turns out mold is present everywhere on the earth!](#)) which is difficult to clean once present.

- If you live in a place that is known for its humidity and moisture such as the Pacific Northwest you can take precautionary methods such as using a product like [Miracle Mist Long Term Protectant](#). This will prevent any mold and mildew from growing inside your tent in cases where you’re not able to dry your Roofnest for several days.

- If you do get mold or mildew growth on your tent, you can use a **VERY light bleach solution** and a bit of scrubbing to remove the stains.

- If you prefer a natural alternative to bleach then white vinegar or a 3% hydrogen peroxide solution will also work well.
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