

Model: BDQE-500

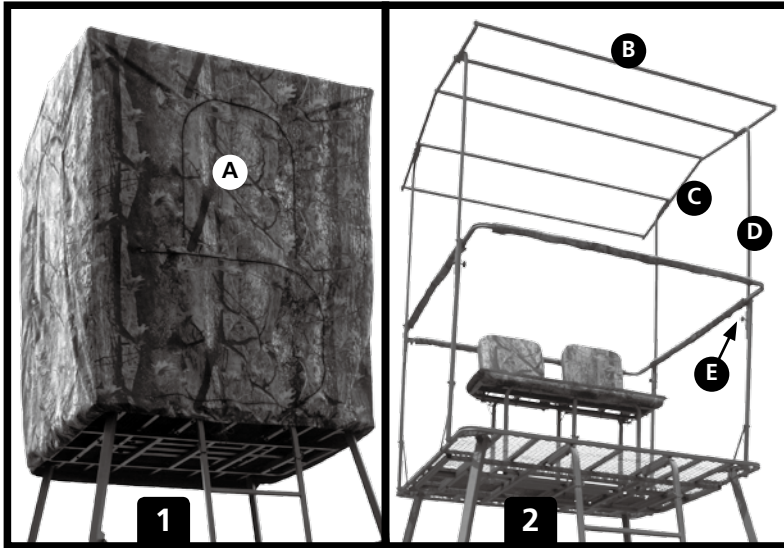
# Enclosure Kit

Quad Pod Accessory



## WARNING

- When hunting from any treestand, falls can occur at any time which can cause serious injury or death. Read, Understand and Follow ALL instructions and warnings prior to each use.
- Do not return this product to the retailer. Call BIG DOG TREESTANDS for replacement of any damaged or missing parts.



Please inspect the shipping carton for evidence of damage or that it may have been opened before you received it. Then inspect your product carefully. Compare it to the image on the product label and the picture illustration in your instructions. You must check and tighten all bolts before each use. If for any reason you are not satisfied with the product, do not use it until the problem is solved or corrected.

## PACKING LIST:

<b>A</b>	1	Enclosure Cover	Part # BDQF-500
<b>B</b>	5	Cross Bar	Part # CBT-550
<b>C</b>	2	Side Frame Tube	Part # SFT-550
<b>D</b>	4	Frame Post	Part # FP-550
<b>E</b>	4	6mm x 5/8" Cap Bolt	Part # 7025
	18	6mm x 1 - 5/8" Bolt	Part # 1013
	18	6mm Locknut	Part # 2010

## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

1. [Note: Insure to install the cage assembly/cover at ground level. Refer to Quad Pod instructions and warnings for proper installation/procedures of raising/assembly of the unit prior to each use and installation of this Enclosure Kit(s).] Insert (1) Frame Post **D** into each of the (4) welded sleeve(s) on Rail Support Tubes. Next, bolt on (1) 6mm Cap Bolt (from the INSIDE) into the welded locknut on Rail Support Tube and lock the Frame Post into position. NOTE: The Short angled ends should be pointed upward and toward the CENTER of platform assembly. Next, place (1) Side Frame Tube **C** to the INSIDE of Frame Post and secure with (2) 6mm x 1-5/8" bolt(s) and locknuts on each end. Repeat on the opposite side. Next, attach Cross Bar **B** to the BOTTOM side of Side Frame Tube(s) **C** on each end using (2) 6mm x 1-5/8" bolt(s) and locknuts. Repeat on remaining Cross Bar(s) 5 total. (Fig. 2)
2. IMPORTANT: TAPE each corner to prevent ripping in enclosure fabric. Lay-out the Enclosure Fabric **A** and locate the entry zipper/opening. Carefully slide the cover over the frame assembly being extremely careful not to tear or rip the fabric. Note: Insure the entry zipper opening is in line with the Ladder Connection Tube(s) mounted to the bottom side of the Foot Platform. (Fig. 1)
3. Tighten ALL Bolts/Locknuts securely. Secure the enclosure fabric to the mesh platform. IMPORTANT: Keep the top and windows open when not in use. It is required to secure the tripod to the ground by means of stakes or tie-down kits (not included).

## SAFETY WARNINGS

- Inspect ALL leg assemblies/cross braces/bolts/locknuts/quick pins/ladder sections prior to leaving the ground. Do not use if leg assembly bolts are loose/damaged/ or missing. DO NOT use this unit in adverse weather or if high winds is present.
- It is strongly recommended to have a certified electrician ground this unit to the ground in the event of this unit being struck by lightning. NEVER use/locate this unit on soft ground where the foot plates sink into the ground.
- Inspect/Insure ground under the Foot Plates is firm/level and all sections are connected/bolted together are secured properly prior to each use and prior to leaving the ground. Do not use if sections are separated or if items/components are showing any signs of damage or wear. NEVER exceed the maximum weight limit of this unit.
- Proper Threading/Location/Fastening/Tightening of ALL straps and cables is CRITICAL. Insure all straps/cables/hardware are located/fastened properly and are free of ANY damage/wear/weathering/deterioration prior to each use.
- Replace all hardware/cables/nuts/bolts/clips on your tree stand every (2) years or sooner if inspection finds it necessary. Use only Big Dog replacement straps and parts. Any other straps or parts will be viewed as a modification to the product. Any modification will void the warranties and relieve Big Dog Treestands Inc. from all liabilities. This unit MUST be secured to the ground by means of ground stakes or tie down(s). (NOT PROVIDED).
- It is REQUIRED that you oil/lubricate or apply a protective sealant to ALL hardware prior to each use or as needed to prevent corrosion of the hardware due to weathering. WARNING: Keep all lubricants and spray lubricants free and clear of ALL straps. Failure to oil/lubricate the hardware will cause rust or corrosion.

## ALWAYS

- Insure that your Fall Arrest System (FAS), treestand, tree straps and climbing devices are all in good working order without defects, wear, broken or missing parts prior each use. This inspection includes the following prior to each use: Retightening all hardware, inspection of all components made of metallic and non-metallic material which includes straps/ropes/seats/FAS/treestand for excessive wear or damage prior to using ANY product.
- Practice your Recovery/Rescue/Relief plan with your (FAS) at ground level prior to each use. Insure a Recovery/Rescue/Relief plan has been practiced and in place prior to each time when hunting in a elevated position. If plan is not in place or practiced, hunt from the ground!!
- Test/practice at ground level w/treestand and FAS until comfortable with safe/proper use of the both products prior to each use.
- Use a hoist system or hook system to temporarily suspend or hold the fixed position treestand to the tree until it can be properly secured to the tree. Use a hoist line to pull fixed position stand(s) up to the desired height below the end of the climbing aide while attached to the tree with climbing belt or tether strap of your FAS.
- Step down into the center of the platform from your climbing aide while attached to the tree with your FAS by either the tether strap or linemans strap. Position your fixed position stand below the end of your climbing aide to allow you to step down safely into the center of the platform.
- Store your Fall Arrest System (FAS), treestand, straps/ropes, complete set of instructions/warnings and all climbing devices in a cool/dry location away from sun light, weathering, sharp objects or any type of wildlife. NOTE: Wildlife may chew on straps/seats while the stand is not in use and may cause serious damage. Check ALL straps and seats prior to each use. Always review all warnings/instructions annually and prior to each use of the products.
- Hunt with a friend/partner to insure that someone knows your hunting location as well as the time you are due to return home or to camp. Practice a safe recovery/rescue/relief plan with your FAS and treestand at ground level prior to each use.
- Before each use, insure that all ladder sections are secured/pinned together, all straps and ropes are free of damage or wear, ground beneath the ladder or foot pads is firm and level, adjustable support bar is attached and secured properly to the tree and the criss-cross ropes are secured properly before each use. Do not use if sections are seperated or if there is any visible wear or damage present on treestand, straps, ropes or FAS.
- Take your time and move slowly at all times while you are using, climbing to, or descending from your treestand. Use 3 Point Climbing Technique while ascending to or descending from this product while using your Fall Arrest System (FAS) at all times. Never lean backwards while climbing.
- Use (3) or more people to set-up or to remove of any treestand unless instructed to have more people present. Use a min. 12" diameter straight/healthy tree on ALL treestands.
- Understand the intended use for the treestand/FAS and adhere to all instructions/warnings which pertain to the safe use of Big Dog Treestands products.
- Have a cell phone, walkie-talkie, two-way radio, GPS locator or whistle on your person at all times for emergency purposes and ALWAYS inform someone of your hunting location and return time in the event of an emergency. Always practice/review your rescue/recover/relief plan prior to each use.
- There is time to make a correct decision on what action to take if a fall occurs while wearing a full body harness. It is important to remember, "DO NOT PANIC". Remain calm and implement your practiced/reviewed rescue, relief and recovery plan.
- Wear a TMA approved Fall Arrest System (FAS) properly attached to the tree from the time you leave the ground until the time you return to the ground. Keep the tether strap between you and the tree as short as possible to reduce the distance in the event a fall would occur. Keep the linesman strap tight around the tree while you ascend or descend from the tree. Insure the FAS tether strap is tight while in a seated position.

## NEVER

- Leave any treestand attached to any tree more than (2) two weeks. Tree growth will stress straps to the point of a possible failure that could result in serious bodily injury or death.
- Climb with your weapon. Ensure that the firearm/bow is unloaded with its barrel pointed toward the ground when raising or lowering to your stand. Always use a safe hoist/lift system on the opposite side of the tree from which you climbed while attached safely to the tree with your FAS to pull up your firearm or bow.
- Climb with anything on your back/waist/or side that will restrict your movement or will interfere with safely using your FAS harness or treestand.
- Exceed the manufacturer's total weight limit of the treestand or FAS which includes your body weight plus the weight of your clothing & gear.
- Adjust ANY straps/cables/ropes/adjustable support bars while standing on or leaning against any treestand. DO NOT use any treestand if there is any damage, wear, or excessive corrosion on any part of the treestand of FAS or if any missing parts. NEVER USE or CLIMB any treestand without the adjustable support bar assembly and criss-cross straps or ropes secured to the tree.
- Use this product if you are under the influence of alcohol, mind-altering drugs, prescription medicine, cold or flu medications, have heart problems or conditions, dizzy or have dizzy spells, sleepy or tired, afraid of heights, physically/mentally impaired to use product properly/safely, feeling ill, nauseous, if Fall Arrest System is not present, or if you have a prior medical condition that could cause a problem i.e, heart condition, joints that lock-up, spinal fusions, etc or if you are not well rested. Do not use ANY product without consent from your medical doctor for safe and proper use of the treestand or Fall Arrest System.
- Modify your stand in any way by repairs, replacing parts, or alternating or adding attachments to without explicitly authorized in writing by manufacturer.
- Replace parts/add attachments/make any adjustments/make repairs unless the product is at GROUND LEVEL only.
- Exceed/modify the suggested manufactures hunting height or weight limit for any product.
- Use any treestand during thunderstorm/rain/sleet/snow storms or any other adverse weather conditions that have the potential to produce lightning, high winds or if snow/ice/water is present on the platform or climbing steps. If any of these conditions arise, end your hunt and return the ground.
- Use a tree stand for any purpose other than hunting. Do not use on utility poles or any other man made structures.
- Jump, bounce, lean-out from, lean against shooting rails or SLEEP in any treestand for any reason or at any time.
- Loan or let anyone use the treestand or FAS Harness without reading/understanding all product instructions/warnings of the product(s). If sold, a complete set of instructions/warnings must be given to purchaser. It is responsibility of the treestand/FAS owner to insure the borrower or buyer furnishes a complete set of instructions and safety warnings.
- Make any modifications/alterations to this product without written consent. Any/All modifications/alterations will void all warranties and relieve Big Dog Treestands Inc. from all liabilities.
- Stand on the Seat/Footrest or lean against the shooting rail/arm-rests or rely on any branches for support while climbing to or from any treestand. Never stand or apply all body weight to the seat platform area while securing or removing any Ladder stand or fixed position. WARNING: All criss-cross ropes/straps and the adjustable support bar assembly must be attached & secured from the treestand to the tree at ALL times while securing or removing the Platform Ratchet straps to or from the tree.