

## **Tips for handling textiles**

## STRETCHING AND SHRINKING OF THE MATERIAL

Please note that our textile prints may differ in size by up to +/- 3%.

## **DURABILITY OF TEXTILES, PARTICULARLY BANNERS**

Textiles should be handled with care and stored in a dry location. The durability of textiles used in outdoor areas depends to a large extent on environmental and weather conditions, such as wind, storms, sunlight and air pollution. As a consequence of the particular local environmental conditions, we are unable to offer any guarantee regarding the durability of the material. We recommend that you take the textiles inside in the case of strong winds. Based on the manufacturer's experience, the materials should last for a duration of between 3 and 24 months.

## HANDLING AND CLEANING

All textiles should be able to wave freely and should not come into contact with buildings or trees. The textiles should be brought inside if a storm if forecast. Please note that small tears to the fabric should be fixed as soon as possible to prevent larger rips or other damage.

We recommend that you wash the textiles before using them outdoors for the first time. The materials can be washed in a washing machine in a delicate or full-wash cycle at a temperature of 30°C using liquid detergent, and without the use of bleach or fabric softeners. The textiles should be washed promptly to prevent a significant level of soiling. All textiles can be hoisted up while wet, but should be fully dry when stored away in order to prevent foxing. We strongly advise against dry cleaning or the use of a dryer. The materials, except blackback fabric, should only be ironed on the reverse side and without steam at a temperature of 110°C.

We would like to point out that the polyester fabric and the blackback fabric must not be washed. However, wiping the textiles is harmless.