# INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSTALLING YOUR NEW TRI-TEL POLE

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# **WARNING:** FOR YOUR SAFETY, DO NOT ERECT POLE NEAR ELECTRICAL WIRES IN THE AIR OR UNDER THE GROUND OR NEAR LARGE TREES.

#### **ITEMS INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE:**

4 - "A" Pole Snaps

3 - Pole Sections - "A", "B" and "C"



- 3 are pre-installed. - 1 loose in box.



The Tri-Tel Pole is shipped with three (3) pole segments inside one another. The outer segment (also the widest) is pole segment "C". The middle segment is pole segment "B" while the most inner segment is pole segment "A". Separate the three pole segments by simply pressing the snap button in and pushing the inner pole segments out.

#### STEP 1:

Making sure the 'V' shape of the Snaps are inserted first, insert the "A" Pole Snap into pole section "A" as shown to the right. Then insert the "B" Pole Snap into pole section "B" as shown to the right.

**TIP:** Create pole shock absorbers by using six (6) grocery-style plastic bags. Simply stuff two (2) bags into the tops of each section directly above the snap. Compact pole section "C" absorbers by using the pole section "B". Compact "B" absorbers by using Pole Section "A". This tip will help protect the snaps in the event a pole section should come to rest onto a snap.



### STEP 2:

After a safe location has been determined for raising your Tri-Tel Pole, dig a hole approximately 21-inches deep and 12-inches in diameter. Create a 2-inch platform of concrete at the base of the hole. Let set for 1-hour. If you're using an S&K Pole Sleeve, place the pole sleeve in the center of the concrete platform and then insert pole section "C" into the pole sleeve. If no pole sleeve is being used, place pole section "C" in the middle of concrete platform and set plum. Using one bag of 80lbs Quik-Krete, mix properly by following the instructions on the concrete container. Pour concrete mix into the hole. DO NOT POUR CONCRETE IN CENTER OF POLE SLEEVE OR POLE. Make sure pole is perfectly vertical/plumb before concrete is left to set and dry. Let concrete set for 24 hours before proceeding to step 3.

#### STEP 3:

After the concrete has set for at least 24-hours, arrange and snap the poles together in the following order. Insert pole section "B" into the top of pole section "C". Lower the end of pole section "A" into the top of pole section "B".

## STEP 4:

Snap your martin house, bird feeder, bat house, gourd set, rack or flag kit onto the top of pole section "A". When placing a S&K Martin House onto pole, Snap house onto the top 2 snaps. Each snap must be snapped into place before raising the pole. Do not let go or remove your hands from the pole when raising or lowering the this pole.

# SAFETY TIPS:

#### When high winds are expected:

Lower your pole making sure you do not drop or release the pole until it's safely snapped into place. will help protect from freeze damage

#### Winter Freeze Regions:

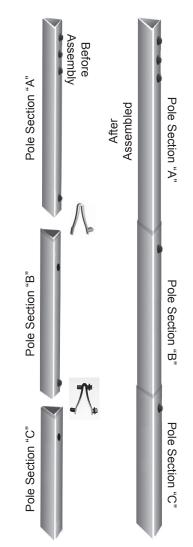
DO NOT lower your pole below ground level. This will help protect from freeze damage

#### When lowering your pole:

protect your hands by wearing work or gardening gloves. Lift the pole gently and push in the pole snap. Carefully lower pole until it snaps into lower position. **DO NOT DROP or RELEASE POLE before it is prop**erly snapped into place. Pole sections should never entirely lower into lower pole sections.

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Expand your pole with additional pole sections. Pole sections can be purchased by calling S&K at 1-800-764-8688.



Pole is not warranted against high winds, weather and acts of God.