SLED KITE

INSTRUCTIONS*

- 1) Identify parts in your kite kit, see illustration #1
- 2) Place your sail down and make sure the top is up. See illustration #2
- 3) Now draw your picture with permanent markers or crayons.
- 4) Next it's time to attach the spars. Your spars may be placed on the picture side (front) or on the opposite side.. "IMPORTANT" Always place the tape long ways on the spars for a strong grip, and be sure to rub hard. It's not necessary to fold the tape over the end of spar. See illustration #2.
- 5) Now it's time to prepare the bridle, see illustration #3. Unwind some string from the winder 3 ½ times the width of the sail or about 6 feet and cut. Make 4" loops on each end of the bridle string. (Note, separate bridles may be included in the QUINCO kit).
- 6) Attach the bridle to the sail as shown in illustration # 4 and #5 making sure the tape is in the center of the loop.
- 7) We need to find the center of the bridle string by placing the sail tips together and running your fingers up the string to the end. Make a small 1" loop in this end.
- 8) Now we must attach your flying line to this bridle loop, but first we need to make a large loop on the end of the string on the handle. This loop must be large enough to pass the handle through. Look at illustration #6 and see how the handle string goes through the small bridle loop and the whole handle is slipped through the large loop. Just follow the path of the string. It's easy!
- 9) And now the Tail. Make sure there is no twist in the tail before you tape it on the bottom of the sail. See illustrations #7 and #8. Tape it so it makes a long u-shaped tail.
- 10)Your kite is ready to fly high in the sky, but wait, there's more! Read the "Safety First & Kite Flying Tips" Carefully for a safe and fun time.

SUGGESTION FOR A GREAT FLIGHT! If the wind is in your face, you're in the wrong place. If the wind is at your back, you're on the right track. So, keep wind at your back!

Be sure to read the attached safety instructions!

*Sometimes we use sharp scissors and tools to make kites, always be sure adults supervise the activity :>)

SAFETY FIRST

To fly safely, remember these important points:

- Never fly your kite near power lines. If your kite becomes tangled in power lines, leave it there and notify your electric company of the situation
- Never fly near cars
- Never fly near an airport
- Avoid flying your kite too high or allow it near air traffic
- Never fly in stormy weather or when a storm is approaching
- Never fly over people
- Avoid trees (they eat kites!)
- Always keep a safe distance from other people
- Keep your kite under control, never unattended
- The most frequent injury during kite flying is sunburn. Be sure to protect yourself from the sun with a hat, sunglasses, and sunscreen.









<u>Tip:</u> You can prevent problems by restricting the length of the flying line. Make it shorter than the distance to the nearest obstacle!

<u>Tip:</u> If your kite line gets stuck in a tree, release the tension and disconnect the line from the kite and remove them separately. Do not climb the tree.

Note: A frequent injury during kite flying is a cut or burn from the kite line. Do not allow the line to zip through your fingers. Protect your hands by wearing gloves.

TIP'S FOR GOOD FLIGHT

Things to know about the wind and your kite

- *Always keep the wind at your back, the wind is your friend, let him do the work. Never run with your kite with the wind
- *Objects like buildings and trees disturb the wind and cause turbulance, kites need smooth wind for good flight, so fly in an open area
- *Sometimes the wind can be too weak or too strong, don't be discouraged if your kite won't fly, wait for a time the wind is little stronger. Don't try to fly your kite in a wind storm, it may break.
- *If your line tangles with your friends kite line, come together the twist will come down the lines to you and can be untangle easily.
- *Your friend can help you launch your kite, let line out and have them go "down wind", when your ready tell them to let go and pull in some line, watch your kite lift.

There are many kinds of kites and tons of information, go on the internet and search "kites" you'll be amazed what you discover.















