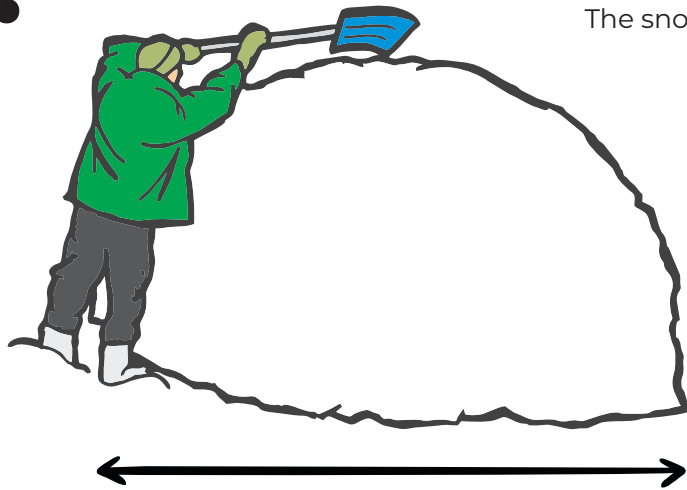


1.



Make a dome-shaped mound of snow, packing it down as you pile. The snow should be tacky enough to make a snowball.

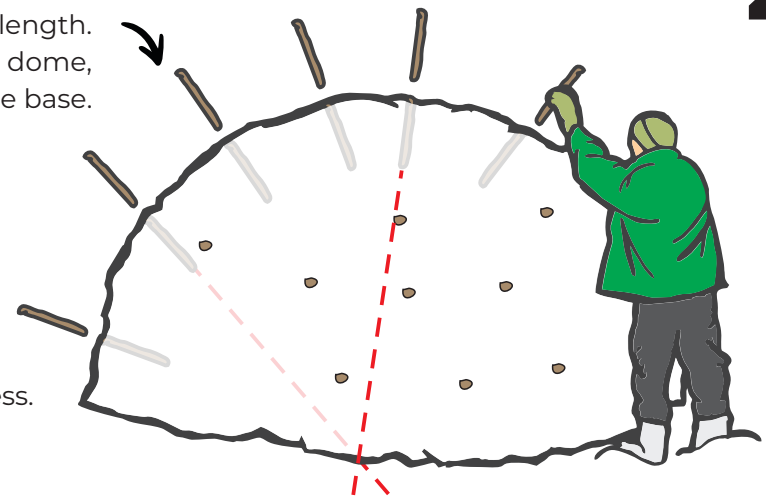
The finished mound should be the **height** of the tallest person, and the **diameter** should be the height of the tallest person plus an additional 60 cm (2 ft) for wall thickness.

2.

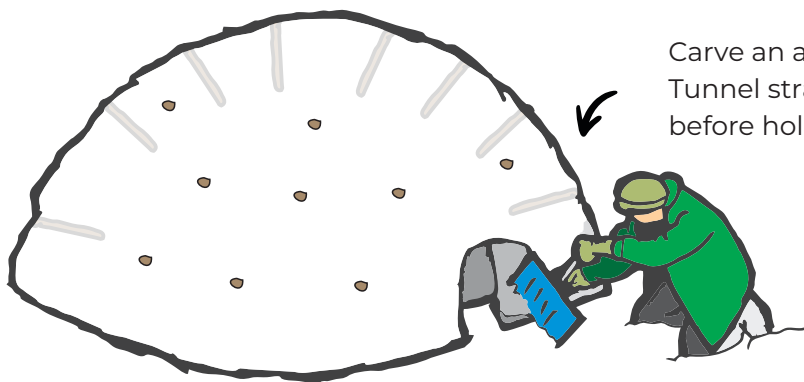
Cut about 20 sticks, 30 cm (12 in) in length. Push the sticks into the mound at various locations around the dome, pointing roughly at the centre of the base.

30 cm (12 in)

These will ensure adequate wall thickness.



3.



Carve an arch-shaped opening into the mound as an entrance. Tunnel straight in for 30 cm (12 in) - i.e.: the wall thickness - before hollowing out the rest of the structure.

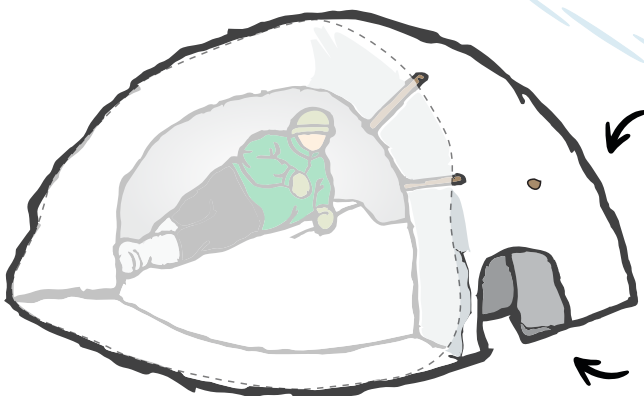
The entrance should be just large enough for the largest person to fit through.

4.

Hollow out the inside of the mound, clearing the snow until reaching the sticks. This will ensure a wall thickness of 30 cm (12 in). Your body heat will create a thin ice layer on the inside of the quinzee, adding strength to the structure.



5.



Carefully remove a few of the sticks to allow for air circulation inside.

Body heat and insulation from the wind should be enough to maintain warmth, **so fires are not recommended inside of the quinzee.**