

Is there a warranty on The Blynd?

Plastic Vacuum Forming does not have a written warranty but they will replace any defective parts at no charge.

How long will it last?

With minimal maintenance it should last a long time. Plastic Vacuum Forming has customers who are still using The Blynd that they purchased in 1980 which was the first year they were manufactured.

Will the weather damage The Blynd?

There is a UV stabilizer in the plastic to prevent weather deterioration. The material itself is rated to withstand a temperature range of -60 to + 150 degrees Fahrenheit.

If you are in a part of the country where you have ice or snow conditions, it is possible that your windows could freeze in the aluminum track. We recommend keeping some anti-freeze handy in order to melt the ice. You can also drill some small drain holes in the window track to allow water to seep and not stay in the track and freeze.

Is The Blynd airtight?

No ... there are small openings around the door and windows that yellow jackets and other insects can enter through.

The roof will not withstand a heavy snowload.

In order to prevent it from collapsing, a temporary "T" brace made out of 2X2's or similar should work on the 4X4 single blynd. You want to be able to wedge it in place from the floor to the roof.

The 4X8 double wide will need 2 supports on the inside. There is a metal roof support in the middle. The temporary supports should be placed halfway between the metal roof support and the end walls.

Can you paint The Blynd?

Yes but the paint pigment will not penetrate the plastic. If you do decide to "Camo" the blynd you will have to re-do it.

Can I use it as a ground blind?

Yes, but you need to keep it off the ground to allow air under the floor to prevent it from rotting and you need to tie it down. If you use wood posts, railroad ties or even a wood pallet, you can lag bolt The Blynd to any of these to keep it from blowing over.

Can I bow hunt out of The Blynd?

The Blynd is designed primarily for use with a rifle. You can probably use a cross bow. Some customers have left one of the wall panels off and hung a camo curtain in its place in order to bow hunt out of it.

Can I lock The Blynd?

With the new door system you can lock The Blynd. If you purchased The Blynd prior to 2003, you may purchase a door conversion kit to change from the double door system to a single, lockable one. The double door system requires some modification in order to lock it. One option is to screw the doors shut to keep "unwanted guests" out.

Is the floor treated?

No, a non-treated plywood floor is included. In order to extend the life of the floor we recommend that you paint it or water seal it prior to assembly.

Are they easy to assemble?

If you have a cordless drill motor, a Phillips head screw bit and a helper, you can assemble the 4X4

Blynd in 45 to 60 minutes. The 4x8 will probably take about 1 hour.

The towers will vary in assembly time depending on the height and model.

What kind of towers do you have and how much weight will they support?

The towers designed for The Blynd are made of emt conduit. The legs are 1" in diameter and the cross bracing is 1" in diameter. Plastic Vacuum Forming has put a thousand pounds on top of a 10' tower and it held the weight without any problems.

If my blynd gets blown over is it repairable?

99% of the time you can reassemble The Blynd. Typically it will pop at the seams where it is screwed together. Using the screws and clips, just pick a spot near the original hole and screw it back together. If you end up with a tear in the plastic, you can use some silicone to patch it.

If the roof or panels get twisted as a result of the fall, most of the time they will return to their original shape after they have been exposed to the sun and warm weather.

Helpful Hints

One of the most important things to do is to secure your Blynd with a tie down system. The Blynd is lightweight and will blow over if it is not properly secured.

If you have a 4X8 Blynd, face the narrow side in the direction of the prevailing wind. This will reduce the odds of The Blynd blowing over if you're tie-down gets loose.

To extend the life of the floor, paint it with oil based exterior paint or a water seal product prior to assembly.

Our windows slide in outside aluminum track. In very windy conditions, the windows have a tendency to "walk" in the track and may blowout. You can do several things to prevent this from happening.

- From the inside of The Blynd and with the windows closed, drill a small hole on each side of the window opening and then insert a 16-penny nail in each hole for stops .
- If you purchased your Blynd in 2000, you can use the off season window inserts that came with it. If you bought your Blynd prior to the year 2000, you may purchase off-season inserts separately.
- As of 2003, there is an optional window kit available that allows you to install hinged windows in the inside of The Blynd.

If you have a yellow jacket or wasp problem each year put seven dust under your carpet (owner provided) and hang a No Pest Fly Strip inside The Blynd.