# Shade Sail Installation Guide

Please note that every installation will be different, and the information listed below is intended as a basic guide only.

# Step 1

Identify desired position for the shade sail considering where the shade is required at a given time of day/year.



# Step 2

Identify any local government/building approvals required if any. This requirement varies by state and may be influenced by size, position and height.

e.g. Swan Hill VIC (2023)

A building permit is not required for a pergola, shade structure or shade sail provided it is not more than 3.6m in height, it is located no further forward than 2.5m of the front wall of the existing dwelling and it has a floor area not exceeding 20m2, for example 5m x 4m.



# Step 3

Determine the fixing points. If some fixing points already exist, consider specialist brackets to ensure the load is distributed correctly. If new posts are to be installed, it is recommended that they be concreted in place to a depth of at least 800mm.



# Step 4

Time to create tension. It is recommended to install shade sails with the assistance of a ratchet strap such as those available from Clark Rubber. Stop tensioning when the sail is rigid and no creases exist. Do not over-tension. Once the correct tension is achieved the chain or rope may be installed.



