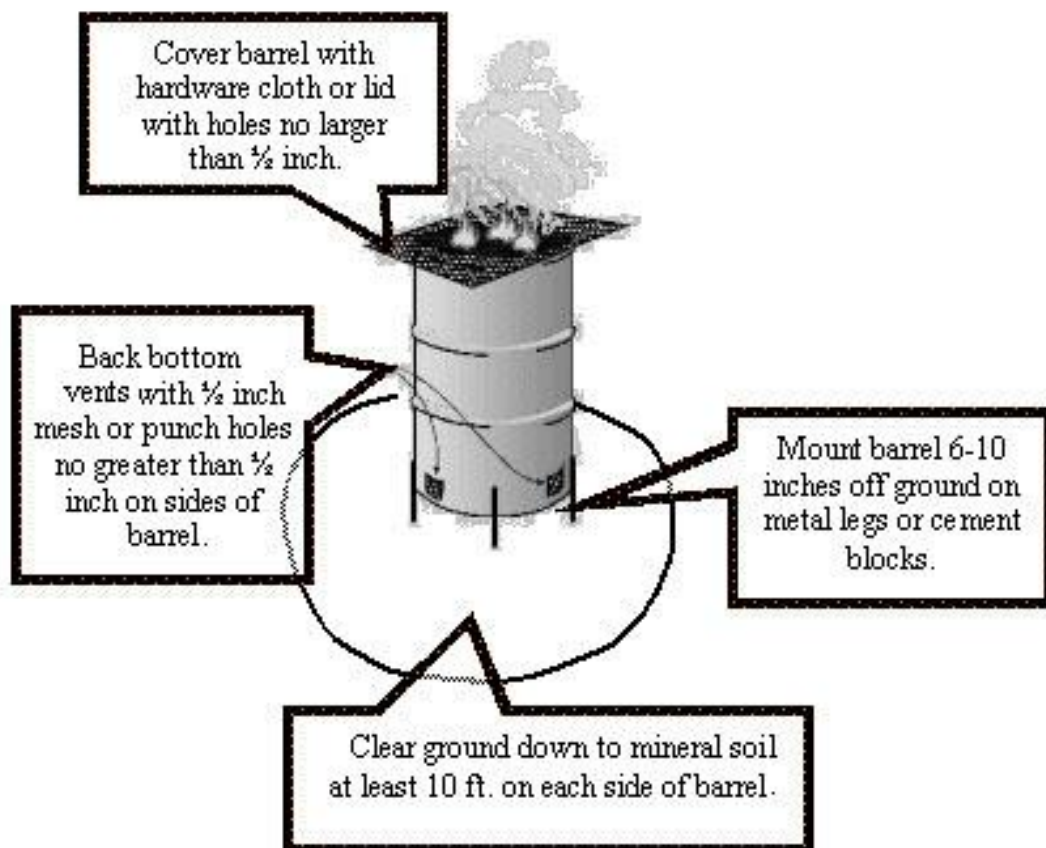


How to safely set up a burn barrel

If you choose to use a burn barrel, follow these safety guidelines.

- Clear ground down to mineral soil at least 10 feet on each side of barrel.
- Mount barrel 6-10 inches off the ground on metal legs or cement blocks.
- Back the bottom vents with half inch mesh, or punch holes no greater than one half inch on sides of barrel to provide an air supply for hotter, cleaner burning.
- Cover barrel with hardware cloth or lid with holes that are no greater than one half-inch.
- Only **dry, nonrecyclable paper or cardboard and untreated or non-painted wood products** should be burned in a barrel.
- The two most common problems with burn barrels causing wildfires is the lack of a lid and a barrel that is in such poor condition that burning materials fall out of the sides.
- Keep an eye out for the Fire Department **NO BURN SIGN**



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