Remember
Burn barrels are not permitted during Fire season
Please check with your nearest fire Authorities for regulations

Materials and Tools for Safe Burning
1/4-inch mesh screen
shovel
55-gallon drum
water hose

To Report a Fire call 911
For Current Fire Information Call
541.433.2451
Many people use burn barrels for burning their trash instead of going to a landfill or dump. Often a burn barrel is the only way people in a remote area can dispose of their trash quickly and safely.

**Burn Barrel Guidelines**

- Do not put plastics, garbage, rubber, Styrofoam, asbestos or any items that do not readily burn into your burn barrel.
- Clean wood, paper, and un-waxed cardboard can be burned in many communities.
- The material you burn should be as dry as possible; feed the fire in small amounts to make sure they are completely burned.
- Keep the fire in the burn barrel going strong so that your items will burn thoroughly and completely. This will result in a cleaner, less smoky burn.
- Do not allow the burn barrel to smolder, especially overnight. Burn in your burn barrel only when the wind speed is less than 10 miles per hour.
- Remember: anyone using a burn barrel is responsible for a fire that escapes as a result of negligence. If you start a fire, you are responsible for it until the fire is completely out!
- A fire in your burn barrel must be put out immediately if a health official or public safety authority asks you to. Be sure to have the appropriate tools and water on hand to be able to do so quickly.
- Be aware that fire officials may close an area to burning. Check with your local authorities before you begin to use your burn barrel to find out if there are special burning requirements.

**Basic Burn Barrel Design**

- Choose a clean metal barrel in good condition. A 55-gallon drum size is recommended.
- Cut out the top of the barrel.
- Cut three evenly spaced, three-inch square draft vents around the lower section of the barrel.
- Cover the vent openings with 1/4-inch woven metal mesh screen, and make the cover out of 14-guage wire for the top.
- Locate the burn barrel at least 30 feet away from any structure and 50 feet away from any underground or above ground utility corridor.
- Make sure there is a water source nearby.
- Clear an area ten feet wide around the burn barrel down to bare soil.

Burning in Northern Klamath County is regulated at certain times of the year. Before you begin burning, check with your local fire department for current restrictions.

**FIRE SEASON IN EFFECT**

**ALL BURNING IS PROHIBITED**

Generally late spring open burning is closed down.

ORS 477.505 Declaration of Fire Season
- No Debris Burning Allowed
- No Burn Barrels Allowed

**TIME TO CLEAN UP**

Burning permits not required

During this season Wagon Trail Ranch, Little River Ranch and Old Howard Estates need to follow LaPine Rural Fire District burning regulations.

Check with local authorities about any regulations that may apply in your area...