

**Burnet County ESD No. 8
Office of the Fire Marshal**

Burning of Domestic waste

If there is no governmentally provided or authorized trash-collection service available to you, you may burn domestic waste on the property where it is produced, as long as outdoor burning is not prohibited by local rule or ordinance and does not create a nuisance or a traffic hazard.

PROHIBITED MATERIALS: Electrical insulation, treated lumber, plastics, non-wood construction/demolition materials, heavy oils, asphaltic materials, potentially explosive materials, chemical wastes, and items containing natural or synthetic rubber must NOT be burned.

Check the weather; don't burn on dry, windy days

Burning is only allowed from one hour after sunrise until one hour before sunset and must be completely extinguished by sunset.

If you must burn household trash, do not pile it on the ground.

It will not burn completely and will easily be blown around.

Burn trash in a covered receptacle.

Burn trash in a cleared area away from branches or wires.

A metal container, such as a barrel must be used.

A metal grid or wire cover will help contain burning trash.

A cleared fire break of 10 feet diameter around the barrel will help keep burning embers from igniting nearby fuels.

Keep burn barrel at least 10 feet from any building.

Keep a water source nearby, garden hose, spray pump, water extinguisher, ETC.

Avoid accumulating trash for long periods of time.

Compacted trash takes longer to burn and does not burn as completely.

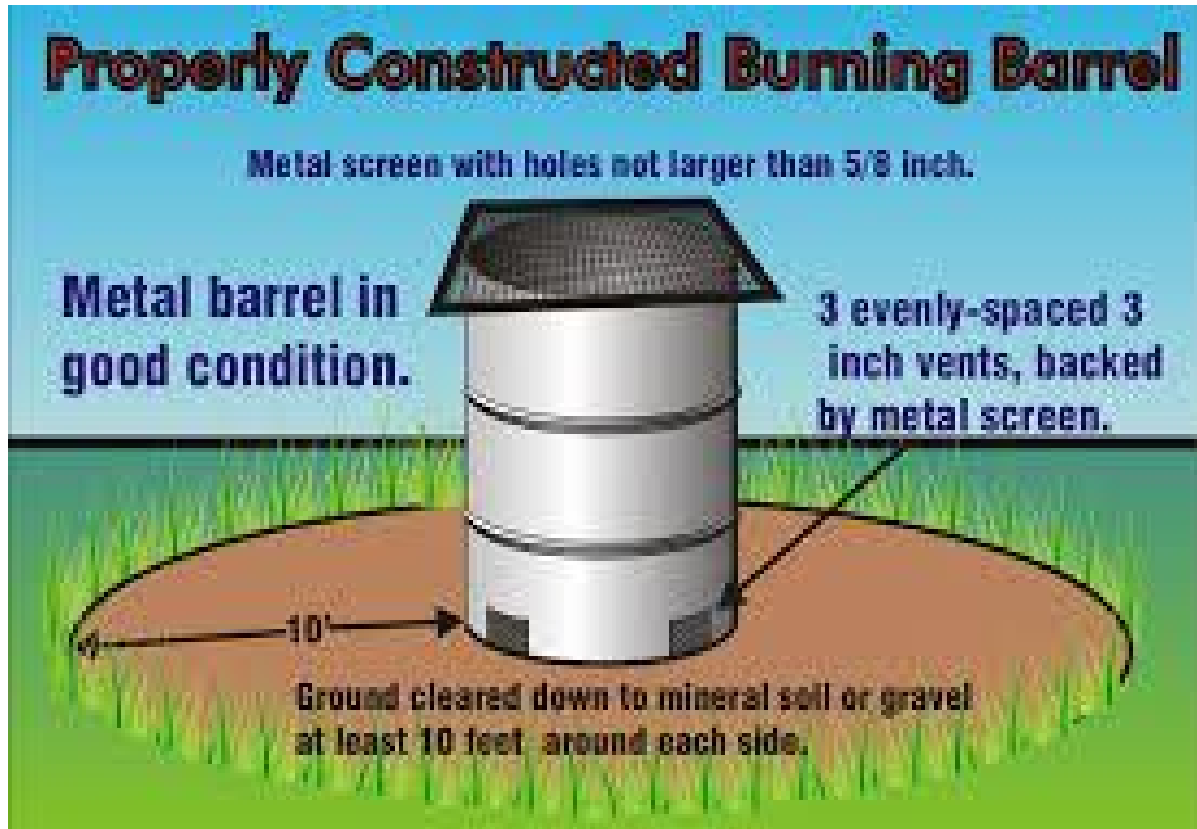
Avoid burning trash containing aerosol cans.

Heated cans will explode. Flying metal objects could cause a severe injury. The explosion may also scatter burning trash and cause a wildfire.

Stay with your fire.

Trash fires are more likely to escape containment and become wildfires if no one is present to respond.

The County may issue an expanded burn ban order prohibiting any burning, welding, or HOT operations to include the burning of domestic waste.



You are responsible for your fire

The authority to conduct outdoor burning does not exempt or excuse any person responsible from the consequences, damages, or injuries resulting from the burning and does not exempt or excuse anyone from complying with all other applicable laws or ordinances, regulations, and orders of governmental entities having jurisdiction, even though the burning is otherwise conducted in compliance with State and local regulations.

This sheet is for informational purposes only.

