

# HOME INCINERATOR TIPS

## MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR SAFETY & PROTECTION

### BURN IN A SAFE INCINERATOR

(Shown below is a barrel-type incinerator)

**1 METAL BARREL**  
IN GOOD CONDITION.

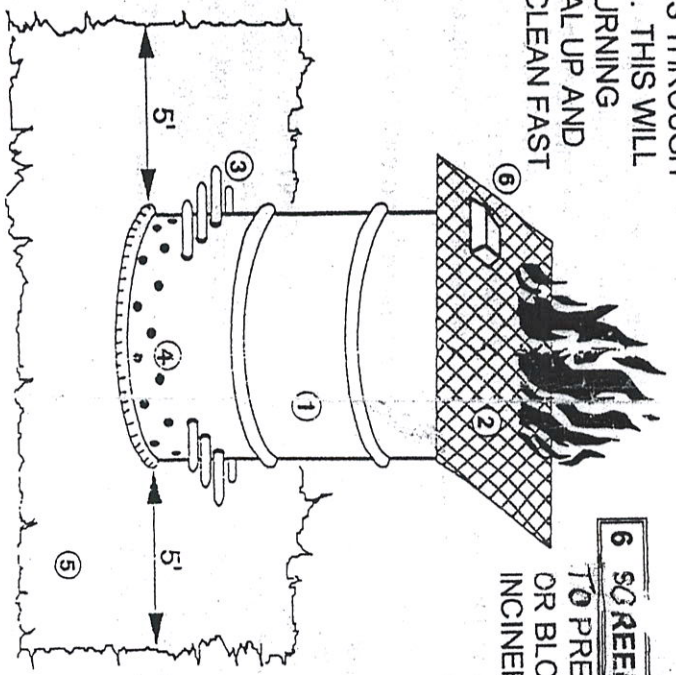
**2 HEAVY SCREEN MESH**  
NOT LESS THAN 14-GAUGE  
WIRE WITH HOLES NOT  
LARGER THAN 1/4 INCH.

**3 HELP COMBUSTION &  
CLEAN BURNING**  
PUNCH HOLES AND  
SHOVE STEEL RODS  
OR PIPES THROUGH  
BARREL. THIS WILL  
HOLD BURNING  
MATERIAL UP AND  
GIVE A CLEAN FAST  
BURN.

**4 DRAFT HOLES**  
NEAR THE BOTTOM NOT  
LARGER THAN ONE INCH  
IN DIAMETER.

**5 GROUND CLEARED**  
AND MAINTAINED AT LEAST  
5 SQUARE FEET AROUND  
INCINERATOR OF ALL  
MATERIAL THAT COULD  
CAUSE YOUR FIRE TO  
ESCAPE. MORE CLEARANCE  
MAY BE REQUIRED.

**6 SCREEN HANGED & WEIGHTED**  
TO PREVENT FROM FALLING  
OR BLOWING OFF YOUR  
INCINERATOR.



## Hempfield Township

## BURNING REGULATIONS & RESTRICTIONS



**HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP  
BURNING REGULATIONS &  
RESTRICTIONS**

**1 Burning Hours -** 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., without a permit, in a container approved by the Fire Department. A five (5) foot square area around the burning container must be free of debris (burned) and other combustibles. The following conditions also apply:

- (a) Material that may be burned is limited to "Ordinary Household Class A Debris" - wood, paper, cloth, and related materials which do not create noxious odors and/or heavy smoke.
  - (b) No noxious, caustic, or offensive odors may be created by the burning of garbage, plastics, tar, or oil based products.
  - (c) The burn container must be at least thirty (30) feet from any structure.
  - (d) Fire must be attended.
  - (e) No fire is permitted to smolder after 8 p.m.
  - (f) Concern should be addressed to "wind conditions" and nearby exposures, i.e.: woods, fields, brush.
- 2 Incinerator -** Barrel Requirements - diagram on reverse side.
- (a) Metal barrel.
  - (b) Heavy screen mesh cover (maximum hole size 1/4 inch)

(c) Have draft holes around bottom to expedite combustion. Also suggest rods through barrel to hold combustibles up and expedite combustion.

**3 Special Burning Permit -** A special permit is required to burn other than household debris and without the use of an approved incinerator - barrel. Said permit will be issued or denied by Fire Chief or his delegate. The permit issued will be good only for the day on which it is issued and for the period from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Other conditions:

- (a) The exposed fire must be attended at all times.
- (b) It is preferred that a means of extinguishment be available during the burn.
- (c) Must be at least fifty (50) feet from the nearest structure.
- (d) No noxious materials including but not limited to such materials as tar paper, insulation, chemicals, garbage, tires, roofing, etc.
- (e) Attention to wind conditions and exposures will be appreciated. Permit may be revoked or canceled by the Fire Chief or his delegate at his discretion.
- (f) Fire must be out - not smoldering - by 8 p.m.

**4 Recreational Fires -** outdoor cooking is permitted subject to the following conditions:

- (a) No noxious, etc. combustibles.
- (b) No larger than 5' x 5' x 5'.
- (c) Must be attended at all times.
- (d) Must be extinguished by 12 midnight.
- (e) Fire Chief or his delegate may order extinguishment if a nuisance is created.

(f) Wind conditions/exposures could require extinguishment.

**5 Fire Chief or his delegate may issue or deny all special burning permit request. He may also request the assistance of other local, state, and federal officials (D.E.R., E.P.A., Fire Marshal) prior to issuing any permit.**

**6 Failure to comply - fine, etc.**

**IF YOUR FIRE ESCAPES,  
YOU ARE LIABLE  
FOR COSTS OF FIRE FIGHTING  
AND  
DAMAGE TO OTHERS.**