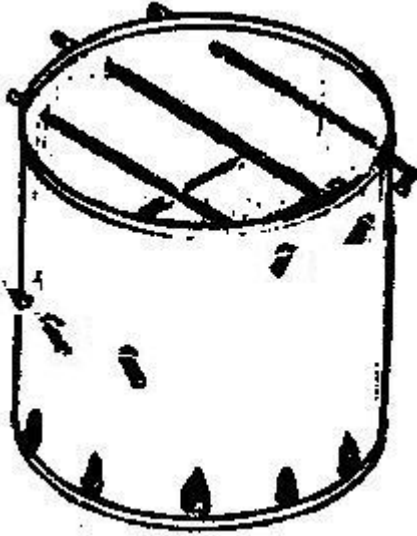


Charcoal Stove



The charcoal stove has been a basic of Scouting for years because of its simplicity, portability, and ease of use. Made of nothing more than a tin can (at least 4" round) and a few wires.

Supplies:

- Tin can (4-10" diameter)
- Clothes hanger gauge wire
- Can opener (type that makes triangular holes)
- Regular can opener
- Drill (1/8" bit)

Procedure (refer to picture for examples):

- Using the regular can opener remove both ends from the can.
- Using the other can opener, make a series (8) of holes around the bottom of the can.
- Using the drill, make 3 holes on one side of the top of the can, then make 3 more holes directly opposite the first set
- Do the same near the middle of the can.
- Run the wire through the holes, from one side to the other, first in the middle holes, then in the top holes.
- Crimp both ends of the middle wires down so that they don't slide.
- Crimp one side of the top wires (not both sides), they need to slide in and out for access to the middle wires.

Usage:

- Put paper in the bottom section of the can as tinder for the charcoal.
- Put a couple briquettes (3-4) in the middle section, on the wires.
- Slide the top wires through the holes.
- Ignite the paper so that they start the coals burning.
- After the coals are heated (white) place your pan on the top wires and cook!