Installation Instructions

Please read these instructions and warnings thoroughly before beginning installation and retain for future reference.

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<td>• Rain barrel body (A)</td>
<td>• Slothead and Phillips (crosshead) screwdrivers</td>
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<td>• Rain barrel lid (B)</td>
<td>• Wrench</td>
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<td>• Mesh filter (preinstalled in lid) (C)</td>
<td>• Tape measure and marker</td>
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<td>• 1 overflow hose and 1 hose clamp (D)</td>
<td>• Safety glasses, safety gloves</td>
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<td>• 1 spout, 1 rubber gasket, 1 nut (E)</td>
<td>• Hacksaw</td>
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<td>• 4 screws</td>
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**Step 1 Locate**

Choose a location below a downspout for your rain barrel. The location must have level, firm ground. A 3’x3’ paving stone can be used to provide stability. Avoid locations near ground-level basement windows or window wells.

**Step 2 Assemble**

Put the rubber gasket on the spout and place it through the hole at the front of the barrel. Thread the nut onto the back of the spout from inside the barrel. Hold the nut in place with a wrench and hand tighten only. It only needs to be tight enough to prevent water leakage. Use caution as over-tightening can crack the barrel.

**Step 3 Cut Downspout**

Place the barrel beside the downspout to measure and mark your required cut. Make sure to allow enough room for the barrel, lid and elbow spout. **Wearing safety glasses and gloves,** cut the downspout using a hacksaw. Attach your existing elbow spout (F) to the new downspout end.

**Step 4 Overflow**

Choose which side overflow spout you will use. Both spouts are blocked by a plastic disc by default. Remove the disc by inserting a slot screwdriver or chisel into the overflow tube from the outside, and gently tap with a hammer around the edges of the disc until it pops free. Attach the overflow hose using the hose clamp and a slot screwdriver. Direct the other end of the hose to wherever your downspout originally drained, which should be either a splash pad or sewer drain.

**Step 5 Attach Lid & Place**

Place the lid on the barrel and affix using the four provided screws (#6 x 1.5”) and a crosshead screwdriver. Hand-tighten only. Over-tightening may crack the plastic. Place assembled bin under downspout and ensure it is level and stable.
Option Connecting Multiple Barrels

Multiple FreeGarden™ RAIN barrels can be connected to collect additional water from the same downspout. On each additional barrel tap out BOTH plastic discs in the overflow spouts as in Step 4 above, then connect and clamp the end of the first barrel’s overflow hose to one of the spouts of the additional barrel. Clamp and connect another overflow hose to the other spout of the additional barrel and direct the open end to wherever your downspout originally drained (usually a splash pad or sewer drain).

Usage

Congratulations! You can use your collected rainwater for many purposes, such as:
• Watering lawns
• Watering gardens
• Washing cars
• Cleaning outdoor furniture
• Watering indoor and outdoor potted plants
• Washing garden tools and containers

Note: NEVER DRINK OR INGEST STANDING WATER. Do not allow ingestion by pets and animals, and do not cook or wash anything in collected rainwater in any way that may result in ingestion. Ingestion may cause serious illness or death. See below for further important warnings.

Maintenance

SUMMER
Clean the screen once a month to prevent clogging. Check for erosion under/around rain barrel; platform/support must remain level and stable at all times.

WINTER-Rain Barrels May Crack!
Rain Barrels must be disconnected and stored inside during the winter. Do not leave rain barrels outside as freezing temperatures can cause cracking in the barrels. Be sure to empty water and store the barrels in a shed, garage or basement during the winter.

WARNINGS

Drowning Hazard
Never permit children to play on, in, or near a rain barrel. Always affix the lid securely to avoid drowning. Never use a rain barrel without the lid securely affixed, or with a damaged, cracked, warped or broken cover. Never place a rain barrel near a deck, stairs, chair, or other structures or items that may allow a child to climb above, on, or in the rain barrel.

Water Contamination Hazard
Do not use collected water for drinking, cooking, washing or in any way that may result in ingestion of the water by humans and/or animals. Water in rain barrels may become stagnant and/or contaminated. Ingesting rain barrel water may cause serious illness or death. Use only for watering plants and cleaning of outdoor items not related to eating or drinking.

Electrical Hazard
If the downspout contains heating cables, there is a potential electrocution or fire hazard during installation. Ensure power is disconnected at the electrical panel before manipulating heated downspouts. Consult a qualified electrician for modifications to heated downspouts.

Installation Hazards
Rain barrels are for water collection and outdoor use only. No other uses are recommended. Downspout edges may be sharp. Wear protective gloves when cutting and handling downspouts. Always wear safety glasses when cutting or drilling to prevent eye injuries. Protect siding from damage by inserting a sheet of plywood between the downspout and siding. Read all instructions and warnings thoroughly before installing this product.

Tipping Hazard
A misinstalled rain barrel may tip over causing bodily injury or property damage. Never place rain barrels on non-level or uneven surfaces. Always use a solid, stable platform under the rain barrel. Water is very heavy. The preparation and placement of the installation are critical; the platform must be level and provide robust support for a filled rain barrel.

Warning and Limitations
Improper installation and maintenance may result in property damage, bodily injury and/or death. Enviro World Corporation is not responsible for any damages or injuries caused by or resulting from improper installation and/or continued maintenance. Retain this sheet for future reference.

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