

# **Installation instructions**

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

#### **INCLUDED**

- rain barrel body (A)
- rain barrel lid (B)
- mesh filter (preinstalled in lid) (C)
- 1 overflow hose and 1 hose clamp (D)
- 1 spout, 1 rubber gasket, 1 nut (E)
- 4 screws

#### **REQUIRED**

- slothead and Phillips (crosshead) screwdrivers
- wrench
- tape measure and marker
- · safety glasses, safety gloves
- hacksaw
- hammer or chisel

## 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 (#6x 1.5") and a crosshead screwdriver. Hand-tighten only. Over-tightening may crack the plastic. Place assembled bin under downspout and make ensure it is level and stable.

