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Kid Warmer

Create a deluxe kid warmer with a simple 55 gallon drum as shown below. (Note: Make sure the drum is clean and free of any hazardous chemicals.) Put one in the kidding pen with a heat lamp. For older kids, keep several barrels in their play/creep area without a heat lamp, they love nesting in them.



Make a pattern and trace it onto the barrel.

Drill holes in the corners with a hole saw (1.5" diameter).

Cut a hole in the top with the hole saw.

Cut the entrance with a jig saw.

Place a heat lamp in the top and secure with a screw—you can use one of the small plastic pieces you cut out in step 1 to secure the wire for the heat lamp on the top of the barrel.

Throw some straw in the bottom, use a bungee to secure it so the mothers don't tip it over and you're all set.

When not in use, tuck the cord into one of the bung holes in the top of the barrel to keep the cords safe.