



Site Procedures: Raku Glazes

STARTUP:

1. Sign in and date log sheet
2. From May to October:
 - Turn outside water supply on [red City building]
 - Hook up and extend hose to raku site
 - Bring fire extinguisher to site [located to right of shed door]
 - When conditions are dry and/or windy, hose down the site and surrounding areas
3. Empty the COLD reduction material from the "ash cans" into the dumpster [by gate]
4. Set up kilns, torches, tanks and reduction barrels
 - Ensure the torches are securely and tightly attached to tanks. No odour of propane should be detected at the fitting.
5. Scenario
 - Light torch
 - If flame goes out — NEVER relight torch near the opening of the kiln
 - Turn off the tank
 - Remove the kiln lid and allow existing propane to dissipate
 - Turn on tank and relight torch

CLEANUP

1. Carefully dump all hot/used reduction material into the metal garbage cans labelled "ash cans"
 - Fasten lids securely
 - Set by shed door on the gravel
2. Clear site
 - Turn off propane tanks. Open the valve on the torch to bleed the hose.
 - Unhook torches
 - Store cooled torches, kiln lids and tongs in shed
 - Cover the cooled raku kilns and weigh the lids down with bricks
 - Stack wooden reduction barrel lids against the building
 - Stack the empty garbage cans [with lids on] against the west fence
3. Hose down areas once again, making sure there is NO smouldering from HOT ashes
4. TURN OFF the water supply. Wind the hose up and return to shed.
5. LOCK UP
 - The shed
 - The red City building
 - The gate

Note: If the tanks are getting low, notify a member of the Raku Committee [Rene, Joanne, Julie]

Your cooperation and diligence in keeping this site clean and SAFE is vital to our continued use of this location.