

Zombie Cataclysm

Butter Bombs

The butter bomb is a simple anti-zombie weapon that anyone can make without a skill check. You need a plastic kitchen-sized garbage bag and a lot of oil. Vegetable oil, cooking oil or similar work best. Motor oil or transmission fluid can also be used but they dissolve some kinds of plastic bags. Just fill the bag with the oil. So easy even a gecko could do it.

Butter bombs are cumbersome and leak if you poke the bag so it is usually not a good idea to carry them around with you but stashing a few of these in the back of your pickup truck works well. Just throw the bag where you want it. You can only throw it about ten feet but at that range you don't have to roll any dice. The bag will burst and spread the oil about five feet around the impact point. This is less effective on porous surfaces like a lawn and completely ineffective in sand.

Any zombies trying to go over the butter bomb oil will slip like an old woman on an icy sidewalk. Slow zombies entering the slippery area will take a header, falling prone. They must make a difficult dexterity check to get out of the area. They are actually trying to stand up this whole time, not just move out of the area, which is why it will take them so long.

Fast zombies are a little smarter. If they walk on the oil they have to make a dexterity check to avoid falling down and going boom. If they are running that makes it a difficult check. Once they fall they will try to scramble out, which is an easy dexterity check.

If humans don't realize that they are on a slippery surface they fall like fast zombies. If they realize it's slippery, for instance by seeing that it's wet, they have an easier time. Walking on the oil is a very easy dexterity check. Running is a difficult dexterity check. If a human falls he can just crawl off the slippery area next turn.

Some survivors will fill 55 gallon drums with oil and dump them in front of a kill zone. As the zombies approach they fall down and the survivors kill them.