

WAC 296-307-48011 What general operating procedures apply to working with cylinders and containers? (1) The numbers and markings stamped into cylinders must not be tampered with.

(2) Cylinders, cylinder valves, couplings, regulators, hose, and apparatus must be kept free from oily or greasy substances. Oxygen cylinders or apparatus must not be handled with oily hands or gloves. A jet of oxygen must never be permitted to strike an oily surface, greasy clothes, or enter a fuel oil or other storage tank.

(3) Cylinders must be kept far enough away from the actual welding or cutting operation so that sparks, hot slag, or flame will not reach them, or fire-resistant shields must be provided.

(4) No person, other than the gas supplier, may attempt to mix gases in a cylinder. No one, except the owner of the cylinder or person authorized by the owner, may refill a cylinder.

(5) Cylinders must not be placed where they might become part of an electric circuit. Contacts with third rails, trolley wires, etc., must be avoided.

(6) Fuel-gas cylinders must be placed with valve end up whenever they are in use. Liquefied gases must be stored and shipped with the valve end up.

(7) A suitable cylinder truck, chain, or other steadying device must be used to prevent cylinders from being knocked over while in use.

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