



MODULE 14

# Hazardous Materials



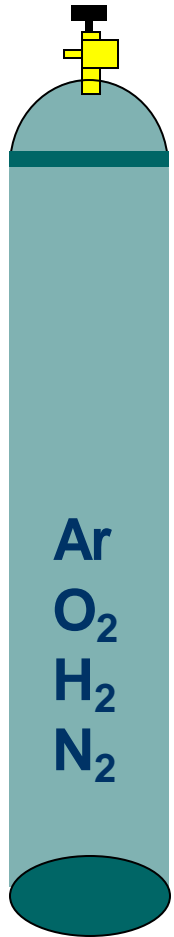
# 1910.101(a) Compressed gases

- Inspection of all compressed gas cylinders:
  - Visual and other inspections
  - DOT 49 CFR Parts 171-179 and 14 CFR Part 103 if applicable
  - Otherwise, Compressed Gas Association Pamphlets C-6-1968 and C-8-1962
    - Applicable to suppliers & distributors filling compressed gas cylinders



# Cylinder Types

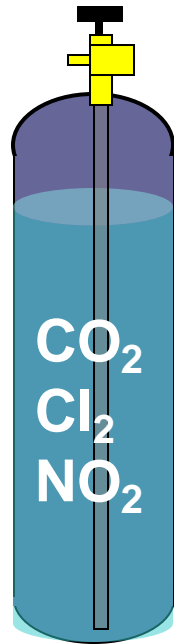
## High Pressure



Ar  
O<sub>2</sub>  
H<sub>2</sub>  
N<sub>2</sub>

**P > 900psig**

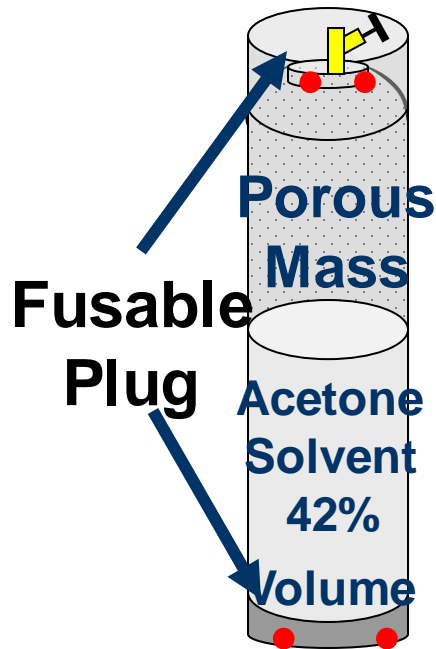
## Low Pressure



CO<sub>2</sub>  
Cl<sub>2</sub>  
NO<sub>2</sub>

**P < 900psig**

## Acetylene



Porous  
Mass

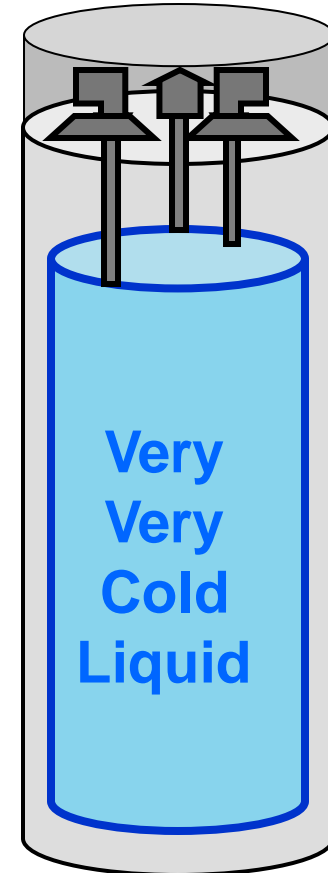
Fusible

Plug

Acetone  
Solvent  
42%

Volume

## Cryogenic



Very  
Very  
Cold  
Liquid



# Gas suppliers advise users to:

- Check cylinders as they are received
- Verify labels, tags and shipping papers
- Reject and return cylinders with obvious damage
- Determine required caps & plugs in place





# CGA C-6 1968

## 3.2.6 - Bulges:

- Cylinders are manufactured with reasonably symmetrical shape
- Cylinders which have definite bulges shall be removed from service



**Bulged -  
cylinder wall  
failure**



# CGA C-6 1968

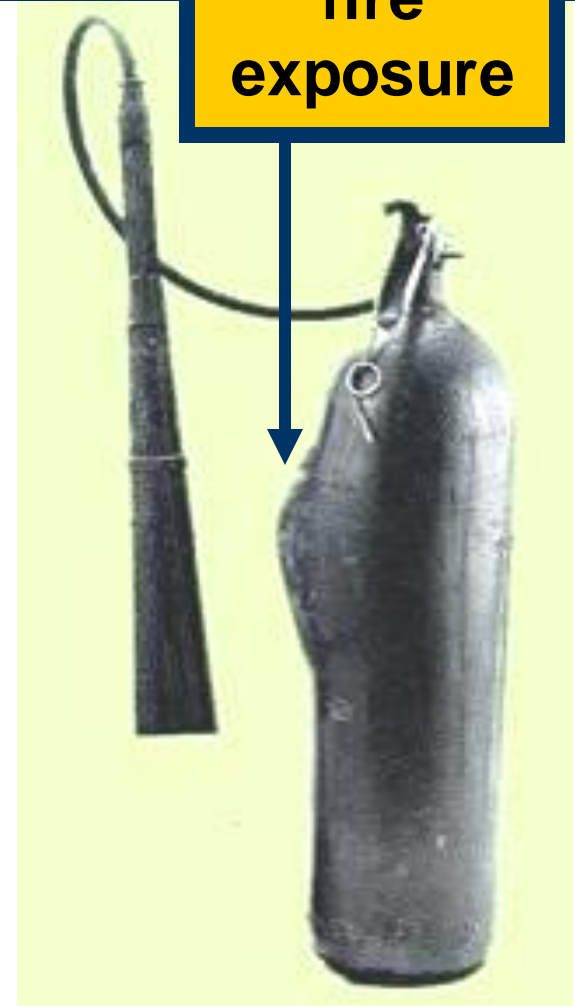
## 5.3.7 - Fire Damage:

- Cylinders shall be carefully inspected for evidence of exposure to fire

### Evidence includes:

- Charring or burning of paint
- Burning or scarfing of the metal
- Distortion of the cylinder
- Burning or melting of a valve

**Cylinder burst after fire exposure**



**Burn**



**Gouge with  
deposit of weld  
metal**

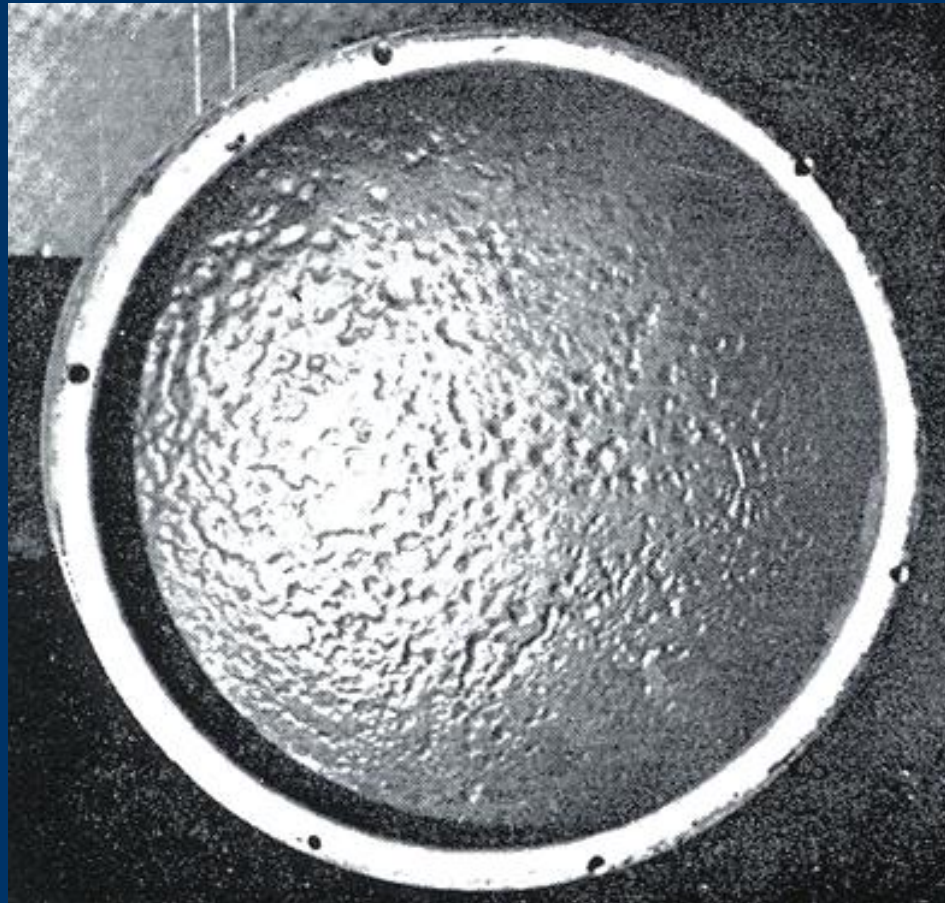
**Cut**



**Gouge**



**General corrosion with  
pitting - reducing  
cylinder strength**







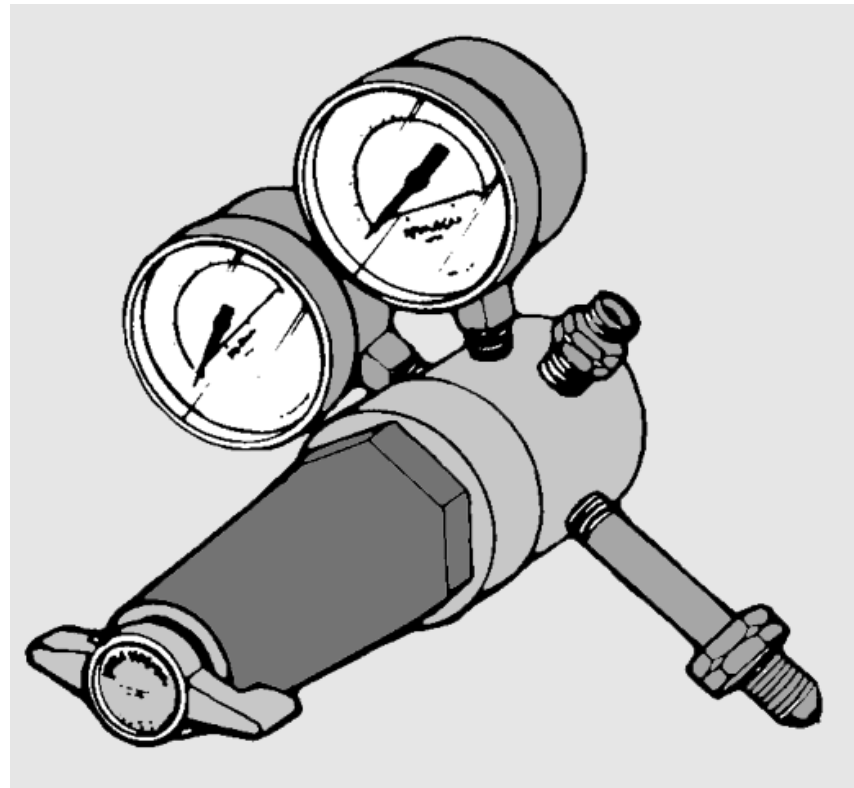
# 1910.101(b) Compressed gases

- The **in-plant** handling, storage, and utilization of all compressed gases in cylinders, portable tanks, rail tankcars, or motor vehicle cargo tanks shall be in accordance with Compressed Gas Association (CGA) Pamphlet P-1-1965



# CGA P-1 1965 Section 3.1; General

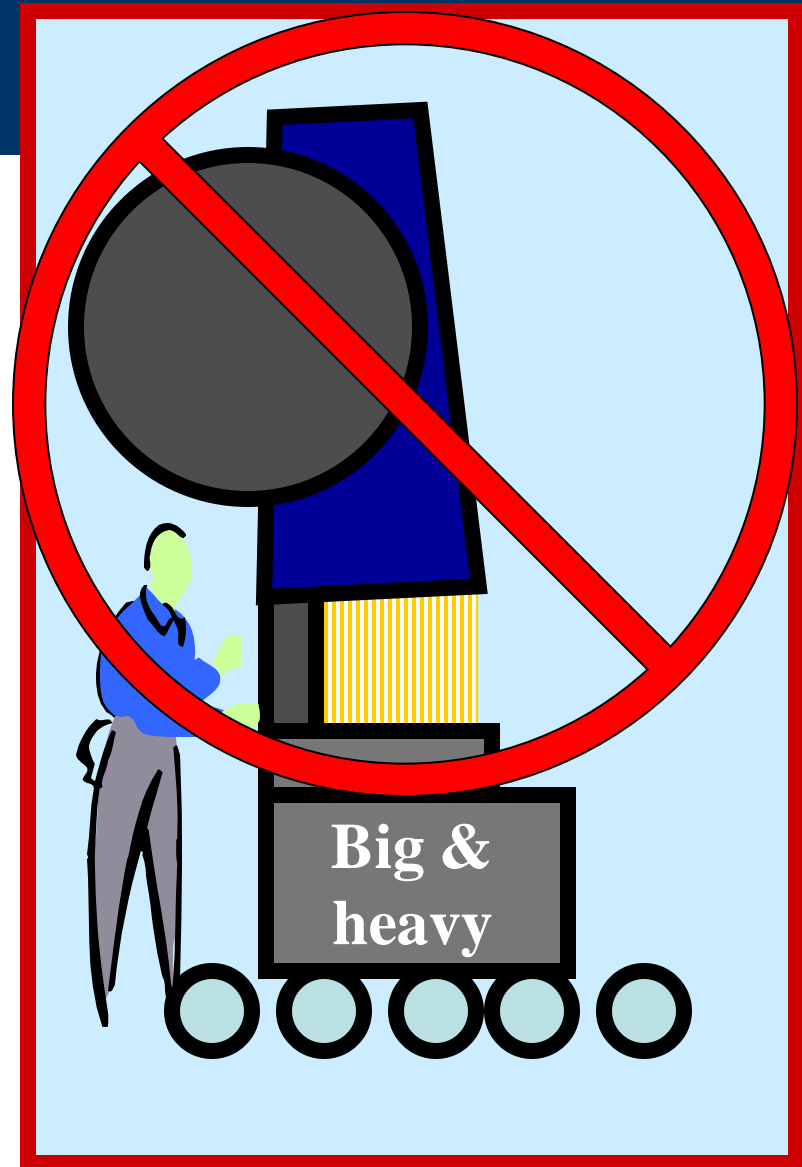
- 3.1.14 Never tamper with the safety relief devices in valves or cylinders
- 3.1.15 Never attempt to repair or to alter cylinders, valves, or safety relief devices





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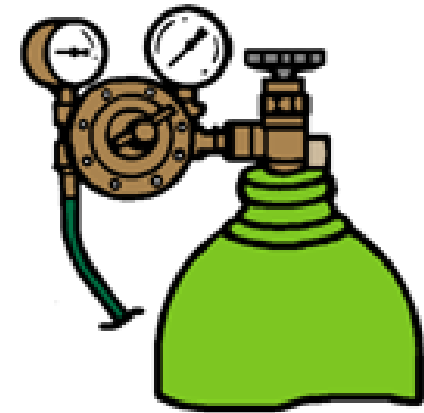
3.1.16 Never use cylinders as rollers, supports, or for any other purpose than to contain the contents as received





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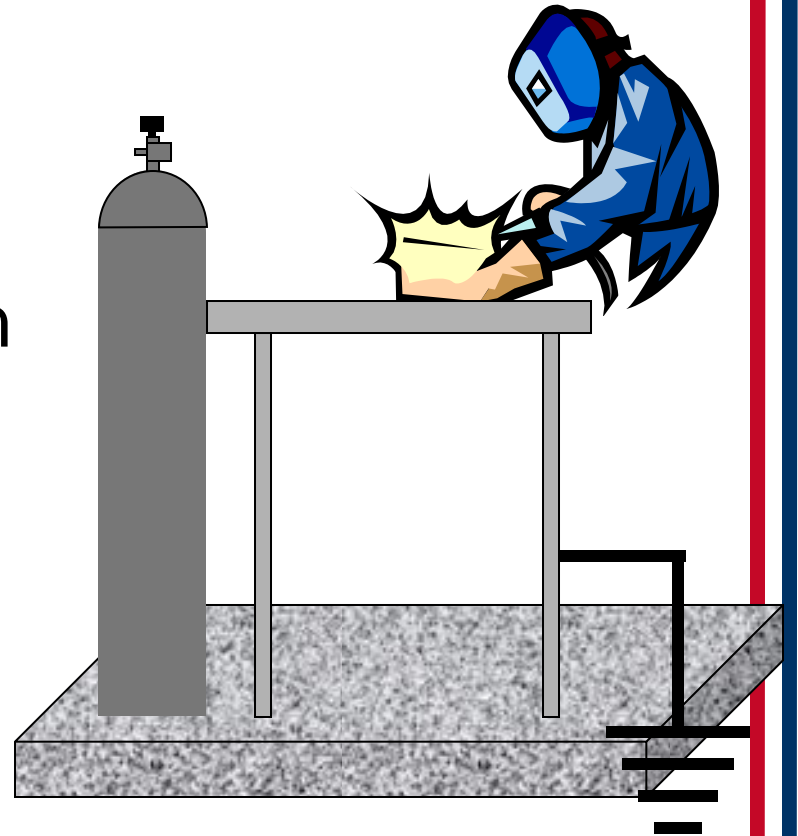
- 3.1.17 Keep cylinder valve closed at all times, except when cylinder is in active use
- 3.1.18 Notify cylinder owner if any condition might have permitted any foreign substance to enter the cylinder or valve:
  - Provide details of incident
  - Provide the cylinder serial number





# CGA P-1 1965 Section 3.1; General

- 3.1.19 Do not place cylinders where they might become part of an electric circuit
- When cylinders are used in conjunction with electric welding, precautions must be taken against accidentally grounding cylinders and allowing them to be burned by electric welding arc





# P-1 Section 3.2 Moving cylinders

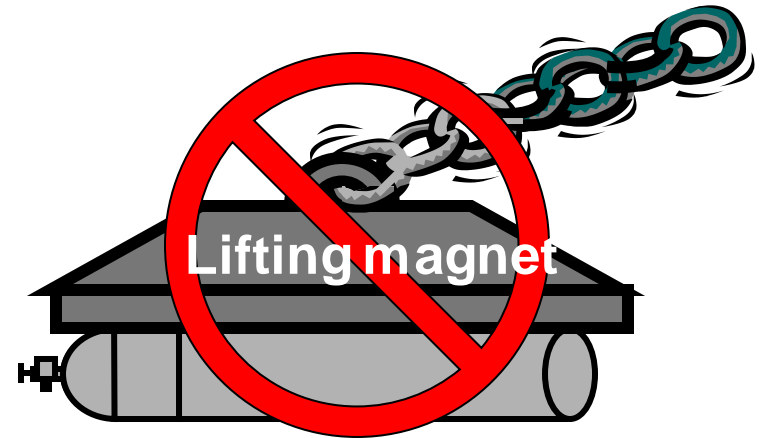
- 3.2.2 Do not lift cylinders by the cap
- 3.2.3 Never drop cylinders nor permit them to strike against each other or against other surfaces violently





# P-1 Section 3.2 Moving cylinders

- 3.2.4 Never handle a cylinder with a lifting magnet
- 3.2.5 Avoid dragging or sliding cylinders





# P-1 Section 3.2 Moving cylinders

- 3.2.6 Use suitable hand truck, fork truck, roll platform or similar device with cylinder firmly secured for transporting and unloading

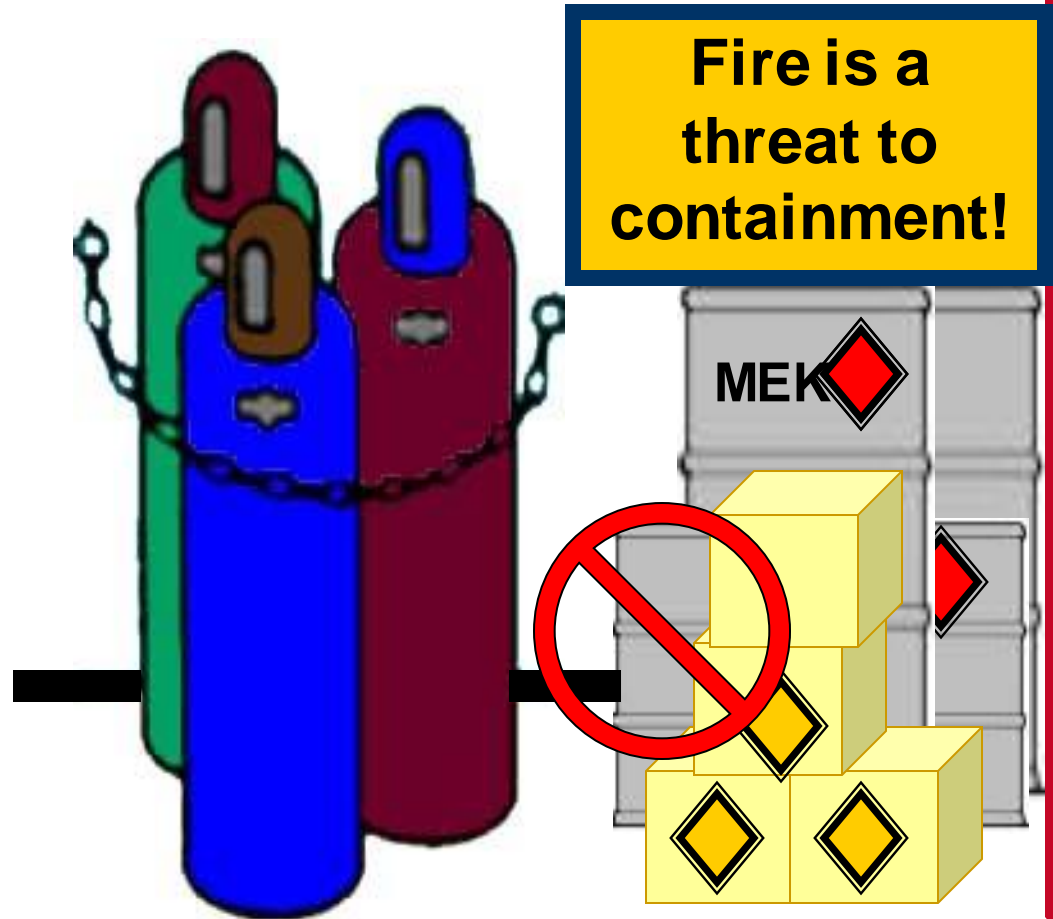






# P-1 3.3 Storing cylinders

- 3.3.6 Do not store cylinders near highly flammable substances such as oil, gasoline or combustible waste





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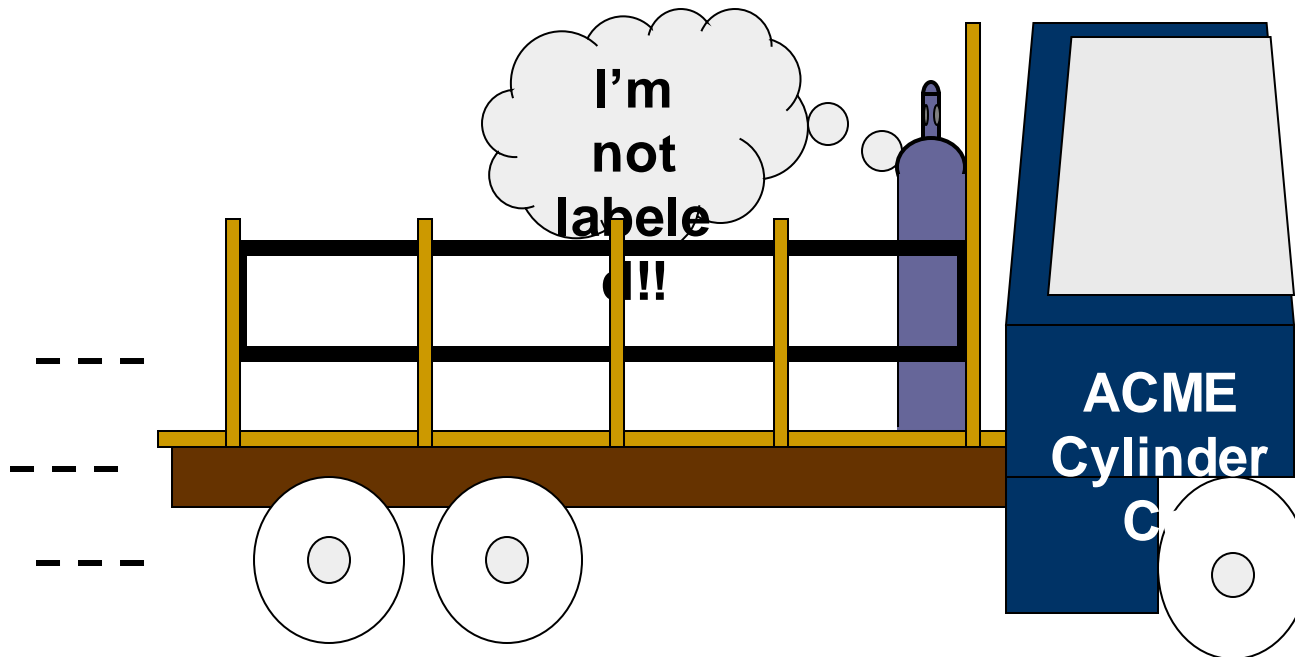
- 3.3.8 Do not store cylinders near elevators or gangways, or in locations where heavy moving objects may strike or fall on them





# P-1 3.4 Withdrawing cylinder content

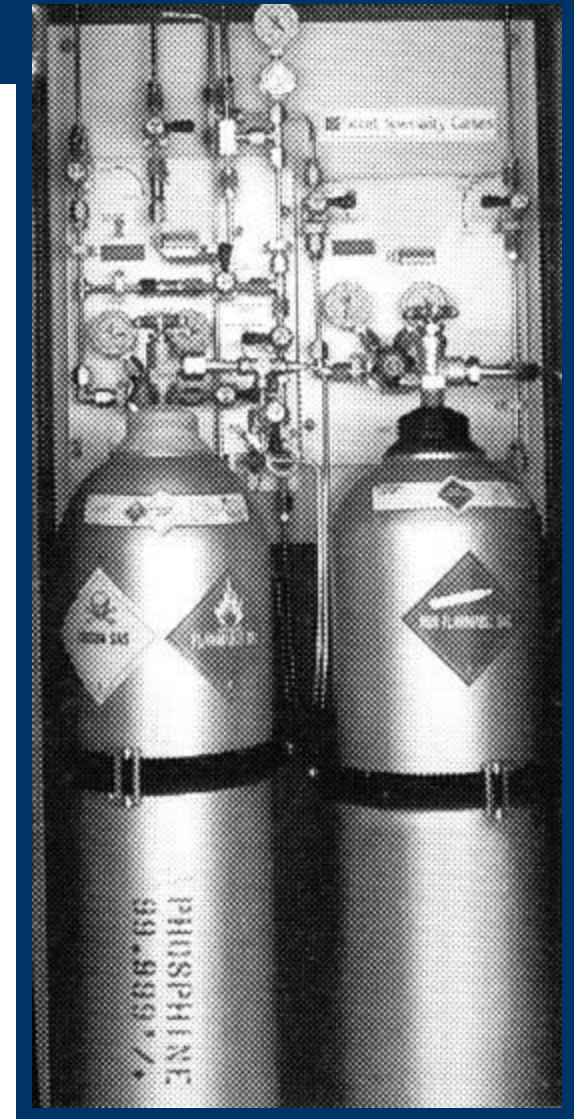
- 3.4.2 If cylinder content is not identified by marking, return cylinder to the supplier without using





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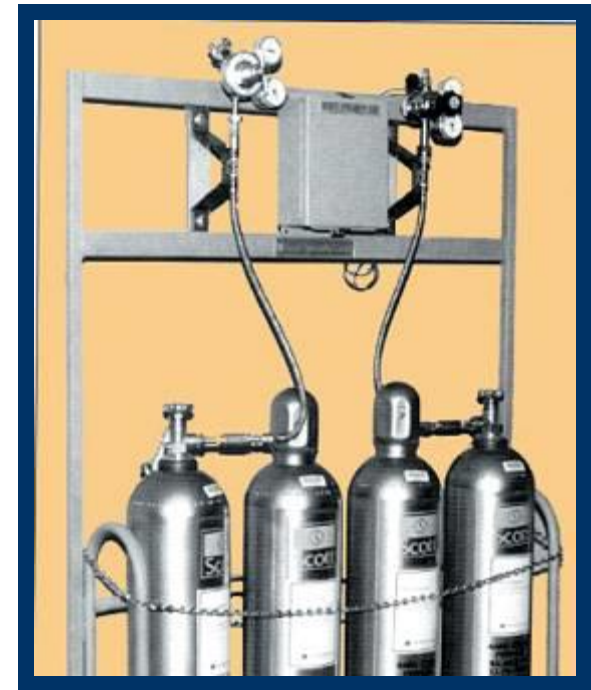
- 3.4.4 Before using a cylinder, be sure it is properly supported to prevent it from being knocked over
- 3.4.5 Suitable pressure regulating devices must be used





# P-1 3.4 Withdrawing cylinder content

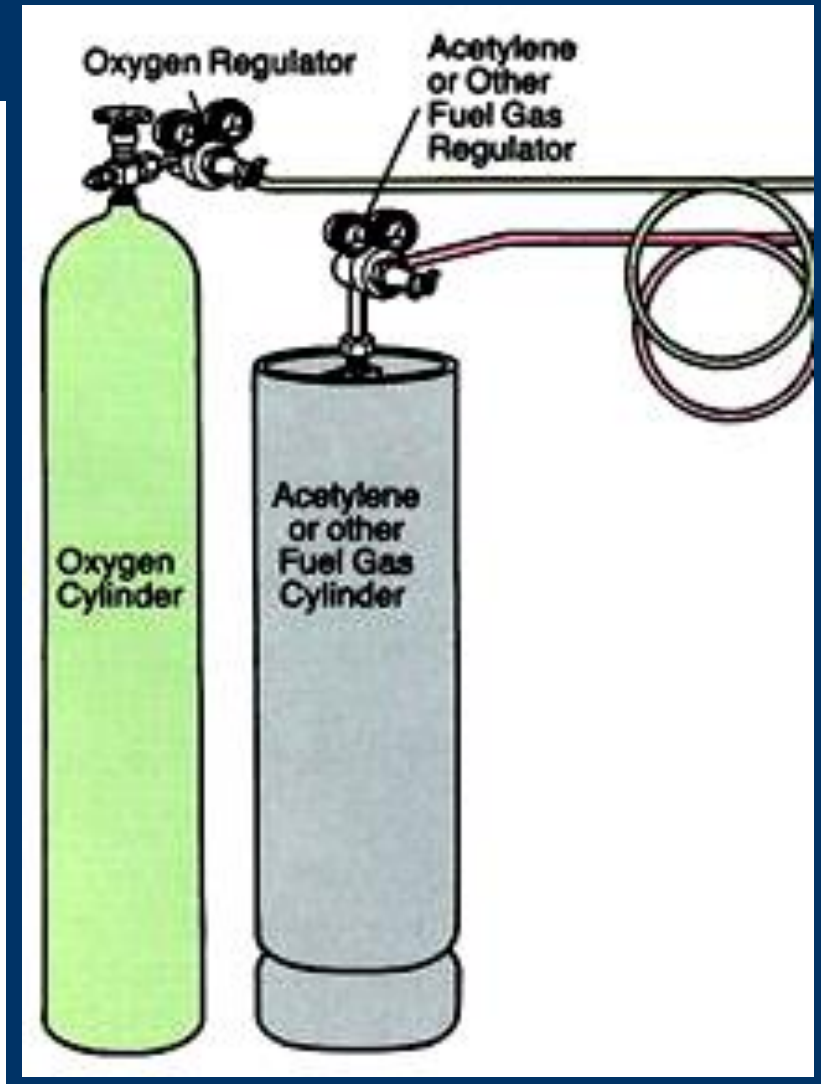
- 3.4.6 Never force connections
- 3.4.7 Where compressed gas cylinders are connected to a manifold, all related equipment, such as regulators, must be of proper design





# P-1 3.4 Withdrawing cylinder content

- 3.4.8 Do not mix regulators, gages, hoses and other appliances provided for use with a particular gas or group of gases with incompatible materials/gases





## P-1 3.4.9 Safe work practices

- Open cylinder slowly
- Point valve opening away from yourself & others
- Never use wrenches or tools except those provided by the supplier or approved by the gas manufacturer
- Avoid the use of a wrench on a valve equipped with a handwheel



## P-1 3.4.9 Safe work practices

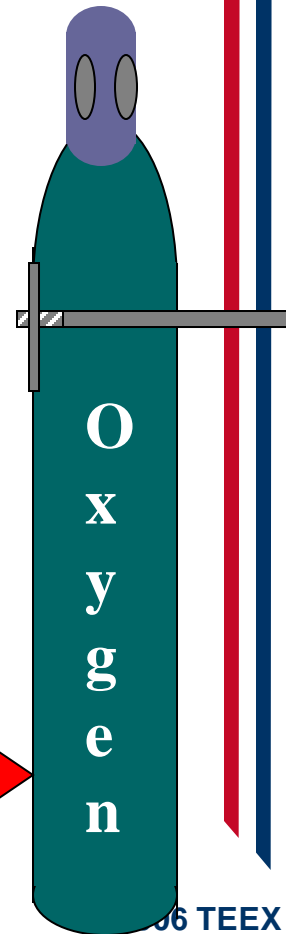
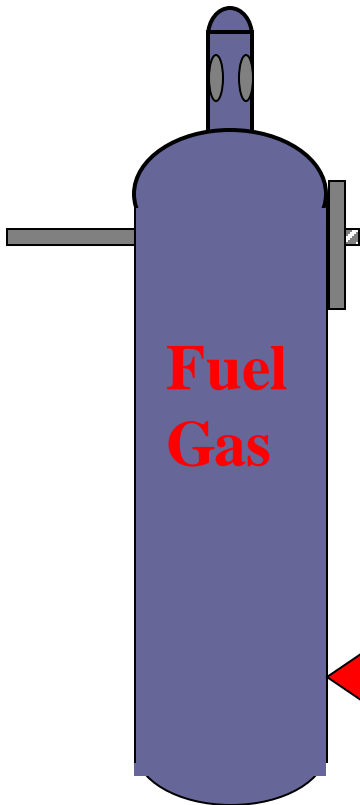
- Never hammer on the valve wheel
- For frozen, corroded valves, contact the supplier
- Use check valves if cylinder is apt to be contaminated by feedback of materials
- Before removing a regulator, close the cylinder valve and release all the pressure from the regulator





# P-1 3.5 Flammable gases

- Indoor cylinder storage
  - Well protected
  - Well insulated
  - Dry
  - Twenty feet from flammable or combustible materials



**20 Feet**



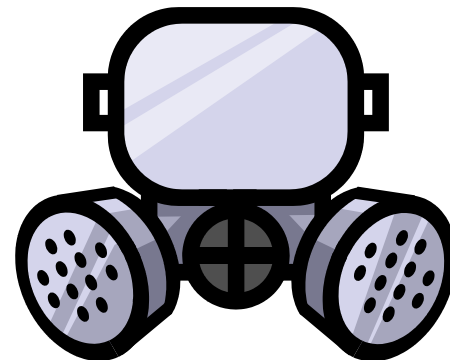
# P-1 3.5 Flammable gases

- 3.5.1 Do not store cylinders near highly flammable solvents, combustible waste material and similar substances, or near unprotected electrical connections, gas flames or other sources of ignition
- 3.5.2 Never use a flame to detect flammable gas leaks; use soapy water



# P-1 Section 3.6 Poison Gases

- 3.6.1 Personnel handling and using poison gases should have available for immediate use gas masks or self-contained breathing apparatus approved by U.S. Bureau of Mines\* for the particular service desired
- \*NOTE: This approval for respirators has been up-dated to the requirements of NIOSH (CGA P-1 2000)





# 1910.102 Acetylene

- Cylinders: In-plant transfer, handling, storage, and utilization of acetylene in cylinders shall be in accordance with Compressed Gas Association Pamphlet G-1-1966





# Case report

- “A fitter with a work van left an E size Oxygen and Acetylene cylinder on the back seat of a Toyota dual cab over the weekend. The Acetylene cylinder must not have fully closed and a small leak occurred. Over the weekend the Acetylene had accumulated in the van.”



## Case report, p. 2

- “On the Monday morning the fitter approached the van and opened the door, a large explosion took place. We believe the ignition could have been caused by either the internal light, the automatic door control or by a mobile phone which was on the front seat of the van.
- The fellow was also a smoker. He has damage to his ear drums and facial damage. As you can see by the attached photos he was very lucky.









# Why was this dangerous?

- Flammability limits:  
Lower: 2.5% Upper: 100% – an extremely wide range!
- Use or store only in a well-ventilated area. (Inside of the truck is not well ventilated.)
- NFPA RATINGS: Health 1; Flammability 4; Reactivity 3



# 1910.103 (b) Hydrogen

(1)(i)(c) Each portable container shall be legibly marked with the name "Hydrogen" in accordance with ANSI Z48.1-1954

(1)(iv)(b) Installation of hydrogen systems shall be supervised by personnel familiar with proper practices with reference to their construction and use.



# 1910.103 (b) Gaseous hydrogen systems

- "Marking." The hydrogen storage location shall be permanently placarded as follows:

**HYDROGEN –  
FLAMMABLE GAS –  
NO SMOKING –  
NO OPEN FLAMES**

- Or equivalent



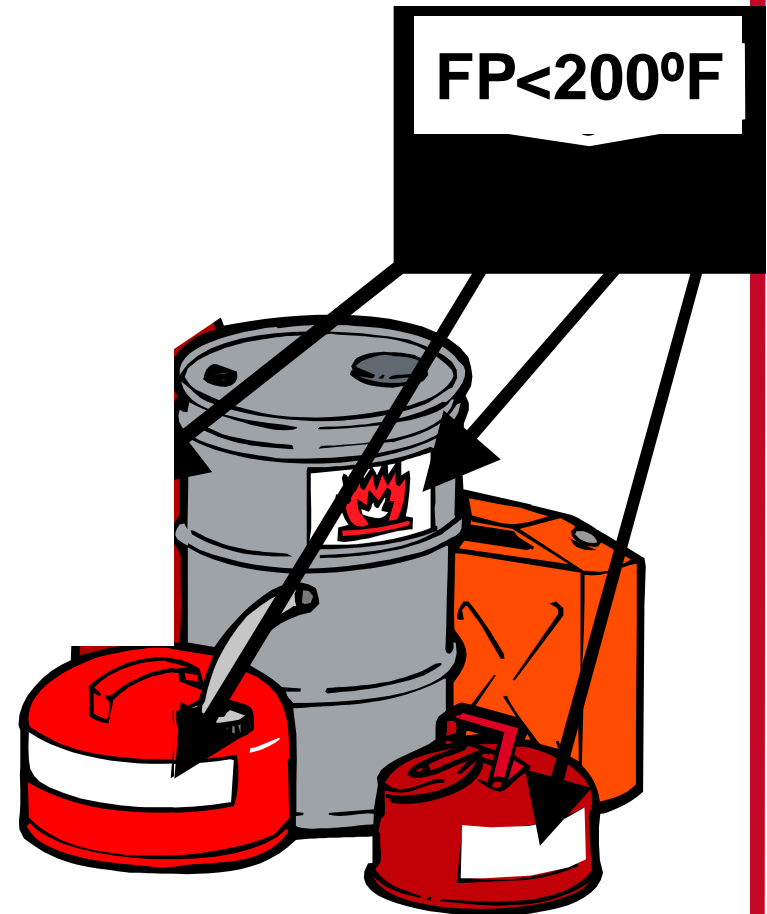
29 CFR 1910.106

# Flammable & Combustible Liquids



# Purpose of Standard

- This standard applies to the handling, storage, and use of flammable and combustible liquids with a flash point (FP) below 200°F





# Purpose of Standard

- Primary hazards associated with flammable and combustible liquids: explosion and fire
- To prevent these hazards, this standard addresses the primary concerns:
  - Design and construction,
  - Ventilation,
  - Ignition sources, and
  - Storage



# Flash Point

- The minimum **temperature** at which a liquid **gives off vapor** within a test vessel in sufficient concentration to form an **ignitable mixture** with air near the surface of the liquid
- Flash point is normally an indication of susceptibility to ignition



# Combustible Liquid

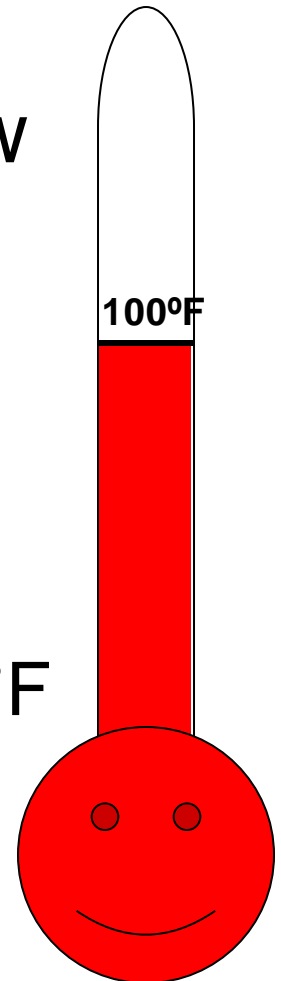
- Any liquid having a flash point (FP) at or above 100°F (37.8°C)
- Divided into two classes:
  - Class II liquids: FP between 100°F and 140°F (60°C)
  - Class III liquids: FP at or above 140°F
    - Class IIIA: FP between 140°F and 200°F (93.3°C)
    - Class IIIB: FP at or above 200°F

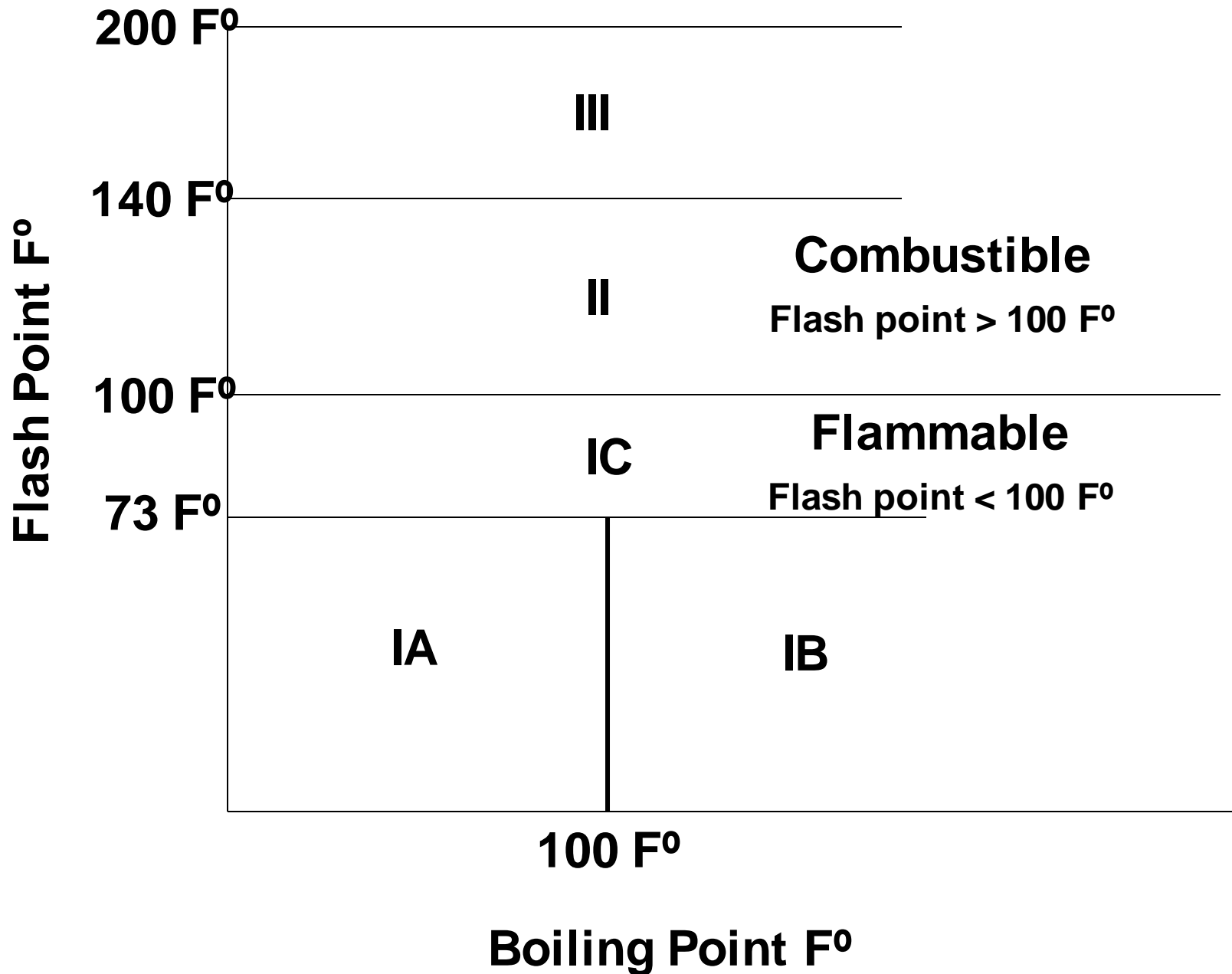




# Flammable Liquid

- Any liquid having a flash point below 100°F
- Also known as Class I liquids
  - Class IA: FP <73°F, BP <100°F
  - Class IB: FP <73°F, BP >100°F
  - Class IC: FP between 73°F and <100°F

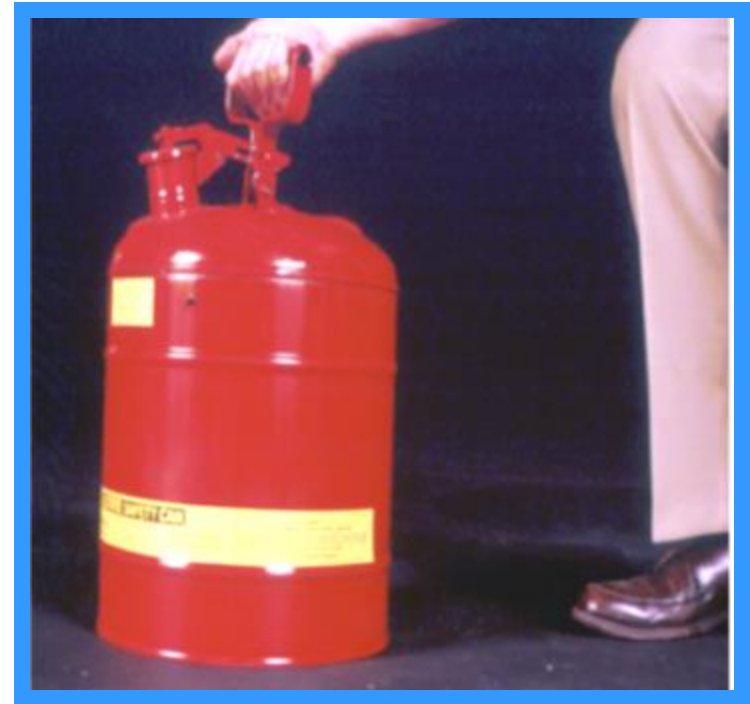






# Safety Can

- An approved container:
  - 5 gallons or less
  - With a spring-closing lid
  - With a spout cover
  - Designed to safely relieve internal pressure when subjected to fire exposure





# Ventilation

- As specified in this section: for the prevention of fire and explosion
- Considered adequate if it is sufficient to prevent accumulation of significant quantities of vapor-air mixtures in concentration over 1/4 of the lower flammable limit



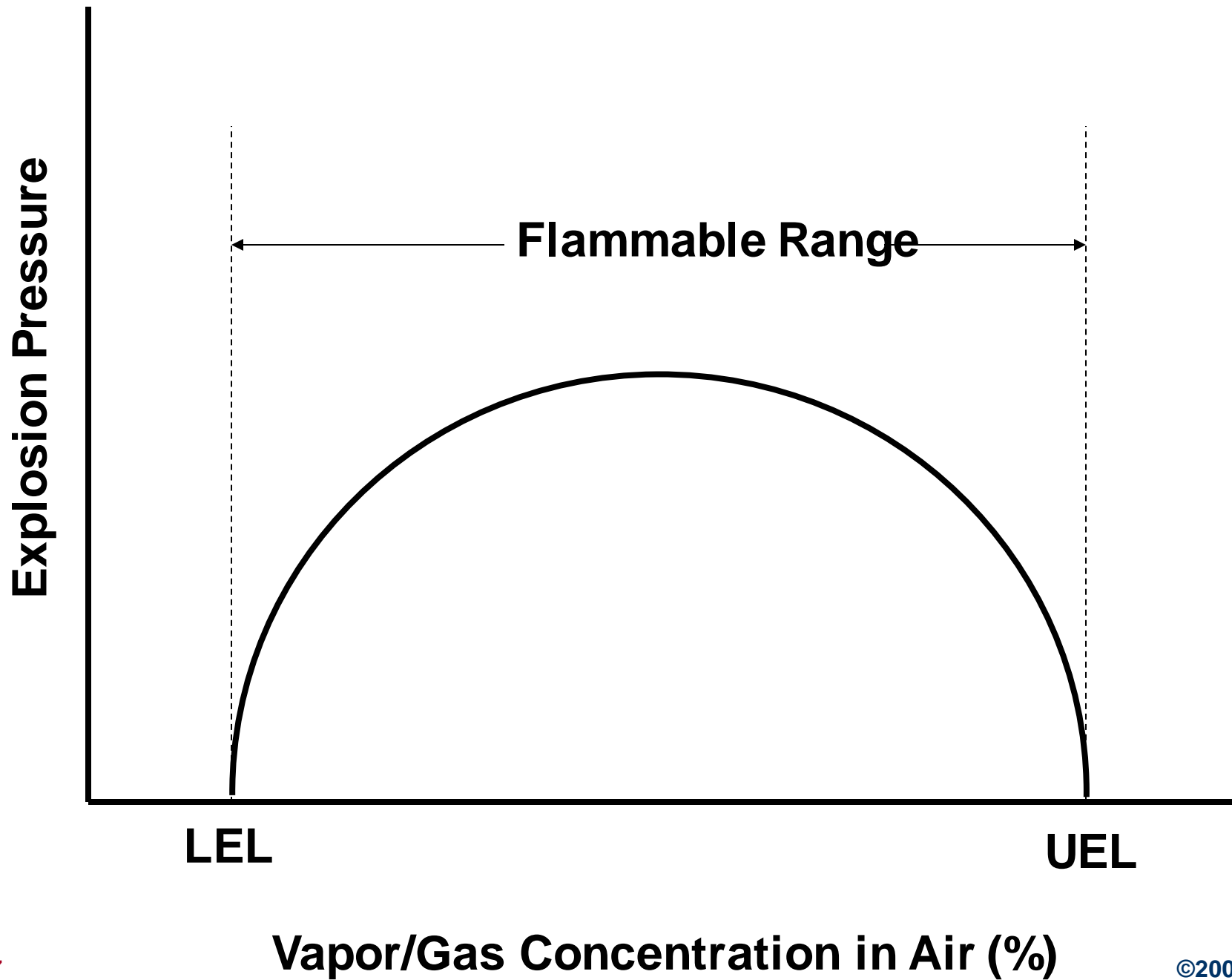
# Flammable (Explosive) Limits

- When vapors of a flammable or combustible liquid are mixed with air in the **proper proportions** in the presence of a source of ignition, rapid combustion or an explosion can occur
- The proper proportion is called the **flammable range** or **explosive range**.



# Flammable (Explosive) Limits

- Flammable range includes all concentrations of flammable vapor or gas in air in which
  - a flash will occur or
  - a flame will travel
  - if the mixture is ignited.





# 1910.106(b) Tank storage

1. Design and construction of tanks
2. Installation of outside aboveground tanks
  - ii. Spacing
  - iv. Normal venting for
  - v. Emergency relief venting
  - vi. Vent piping
  - vii. Drainage, dikes, and walls
  - viii. Tank openings other than vents





# 1910.106(b) Tank storage

3. Installation of underground tanks
4. Installation of tanks inside of buildings
5. Supports, foundations, and anchorage
6. Sources of ignition
7. Testing



# 1910.106(c) Piping, valves, and fittings

- Suitable for expected pressures and stresses
- Not applicable to oil/gas well tubing, casing, or piping connected directly
- Materials
- Joints
- Supports
- Corrosion protection
- Valves
- Testing



# 1910.106(d) Container and portable tank storage

- Storage of flammable or combustible liquids in
  - Drums or other containers (including flammable aerosols) not exceeding 60 gallons individual capacity and
  - Portable tanks not exceeding 660 gallons individual capacity





# 1910.106(d) Container and portable tank storage

- Not applicable in bulk plants, service stations, refineries, chemical plants
- Only approved containers and portable tanks shall be used
  - Metal containers & portable tanks meeting DOT Hazardous Materials regs are OK



# 1910.106(d)(3) Flammable Storage Cabinets

- Not more than 60 gallons of Class I and/or Class II liquids, or 120 gallons of Class III liquids, may be stored in an individual cabinet
- Labeled conspicuously



Are there flammable chemicals outside this cabinet?



# 1910.106(d)(4) Inside Storage Rooms

- Inside storage rooms constructed and wired for potential hazard
- Must be ventilated – complete change of air at least 6 times per hour
- Aisles necessary



# 1910.106(d)(5) Egress

- Flammable or combustible liquids shall not be stored so as to limit use of exits, stairways, or areas normally used for the safe egress of people





# 1910.106(d)(7) Fire control

- Extinguishers available
- Open flames and smoking not permitted in flammable or combustible liquid storage areas
- Water reactive materials not stored in same room







# Industrial Facilities in 1910.106

- e. Industrial plants (limited, see Scope)
- f. Bulk plants (receive, store, blend, distribute)
- g. Service stations
- h. Refineries, chemical plants, and distilleries



# General Principles

- Control evaporation, particularly in closed spaces.
- Prepare to dispose of spills quickly and safely.
- Prevent the ignition of flammable vapors.
- Ground and bond containers to prevent against static electricity discharge.



# Sources of ignition

- Open flames
- Lightning
- Smoking
- Cutting and welding
- Hot surfaces, frictional heat
- Sparks (static, electrical, and mechanical)
- Spontaneous ignition
- Chemical and physical-chemical reactions
- Radiant heat



# 1910.110 Storage and handling of liquefied petroleum gases

- Regulated separately from flammable and combustible liquids
- Does not apply to marine and pipeline terminals
- NFPA standards for utility gas plants or low-pressure LP-Gas piping systems



29 CFR 1910.109

# Explosives and Blasting Agents



# 29 CFR 1910.109

## Explosives and Blasting Agents

### b. General hazard:

- “No person shall store, handle, or transport explosives or blasting agents when such... constitutes an **undue hazard to life.**

### c. Storage of explosives

### d. Transportation of explosives

### e. Use of explosives and blasting agents

- Specific types of explosives



# General Principles

- No flames, fires or firearms nearby
- Competent person in charge of enforcement of safety precautions
- Authorized persons take precautions to protect others
- Care in storage and handling
- Blasting only in daylight hours
- Notify utilities before blasting
- Loud warning before blast



# Perforating Safety

- Electric blasting caps set off by current:
  - Electrical storms
  - Dust storms
  - Power lines
  - Radio or radar
- Recommendations
  - Keep non-essential personnel out of immediate area.
  - Post warning signs and prohibit the use of radios, telephones, or navigational systems.
  - Shut down non-essential electrical systems during gun-arming operations.





# Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

- April 13, 2007 Federal Register
- Comments invited until June 13, 2007
- [Press release](#)



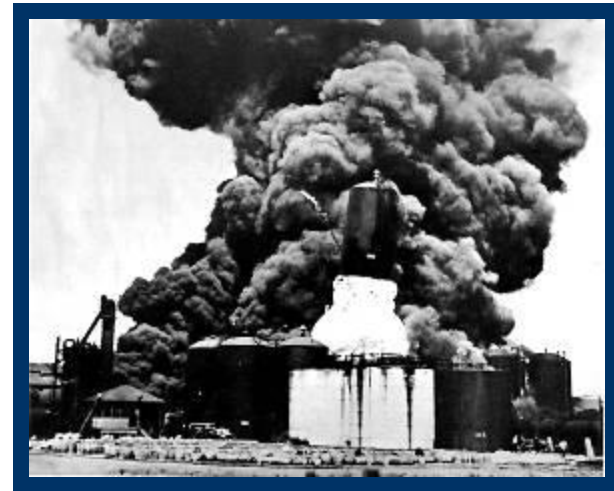
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# Process Safety Management



# 1910.119(a) Purpose

- Preventing or minimizing the consequences of catastrophic releases of:
  - Toxic,
  - Reactive,
  - Flammable, or
  - Explosive chemicals
- These releases may result in toxic, fire or explosion hazards





# 1910.119(a)(1) Application

- A process which involves a chemical at or above the specified **threshold quantities** listed in Appendix A
  - Highly hazardous chemicals (**HHC**), toxics and reactives
- A process which involves a **flammable liquid or gas** (as defined in 1910.1200(c)) on site
  - in one location,
  - in a quantity of 10,000 pounds (4535.9 kg) or more



# 1910.119(c) Employee Participation

- **Written** plan requires employee participation:
  - Consult with employees and their representatives on the development of process hazards analyses
  - Provide to employees and their representatives access to process hazard analyses



# 1910.119(d) Process safety information

- Compile written process safety information before conducting any process hazard analysis:
  - Enables employer and employees involved in the process to identify and understand the hazards posed by those processes
  - Hazards of the process
  - Technology of the process
  - The equipment in the process



# 1910.119(e) Process hazard analysis

- Must conduct a process hazard analysis (hazard evaluation) by listed methods
  - What-If
  - Checklist
  - What-If/Checklist
  - Hazard and Operability Study (HAZOP)
  - Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA)
  - Fault Tree Analysis



# 1910.119(e) Process hazard analysis (PHA)

- PHA must address:
  - Hazards of process
  - Any previous incident with catastrophic potential
  - Engineering and administrative controls and interrelationships
  - Consequences of failure of controls
  - Facility siting
  - Human factors
  - Qualitative evaluation of possible safety & health effects of failure of controls on employees





# 1910.119(e) Process hazard analysis (PHA)

- PHA must be performed by a team with expertise in engineering and process operations
- At least one employee who has experience and knowledge specific to the process being evaluated
- One team member must be knowledgeable in the specific process hazard analysis methodology being used



# 1910.119(e) Process hazard analysis (PHA)

- Employer establishes system to:
  - Promptly address findings and recommendations and document resolution
  - Document what actions are to be taken
  - Develop a written schedule of when these actions are to be completed
  - Communicate the actions to operating, maintenance and other employees who may be affected



# 1910.119(f) Operating procedures

- Develop and implement written operating procedures consistent with the process safety information and addresses at least:
  - Initial start-up, normal and temporary operations
  - Normal and emergency shut-down procedures
  - Operating limits and consequences of deviation
  - Safety and health considerations
- Procedures must be readily accessible to employees



# 1910.119(f) Operating procedures

- Develop and implement safe work practices\* to provide for the control of hazards during operations such as:
  - Lockout/tagout;
  - Confined space entry;
  - Opening process equipment or piping; and
  - Control over entrance into a facility by maintenance, contractor, laboratory, or other support personnel
- Work practices apply to contractors as well



# 1910.119(g) Training

- Emphasis on the specific safety and health hazards of the process
- Emergency operations including shutdown
- Safe work practices applicable to the employee's job tasks
- Refresher training at least every three years
- Keep records which contain:
  - The identity of the employee,
  - The date of training, and
  - The means used to verify that the employee understood the training



# 1910.119(h) Contractors

- Applies to contractors performing maintenance or repair, turnaround, major renovation, or specialty work on or adjacent to a covered process
- Employer responsibilities:
  - Obtain and evaluate information regarding the contract employer's safety performance and programs
  - Inform contract employers of the known potential fire, explosion, or toxic release hazards related to the contractor's work and the process
- Incidental services not influencing process safety: exempt



# Other sections of 1910.119

- i. Pre-startup safety review
- j. Mechanical integrity
- k. Hot work permit
- l. Management of change
- m. Incident investigation
- n. Emergency planning and response
- o. Compliance audits
- p. Trade secrets



29 CFR 1910.120

**HAZWOPER**





# 1910.120 HAZWOPER

- Hazardous waste operations and emergency response
  - Clean-up operations
  - Treatment, storage and disposal (TSD)
  - Emergency operations for release of hazardous substances