

**Additional Guidance for
PHMSA's Emergency Recall Order 2013-002
(The Lite Cylinder Company, Inc.)**

1. Close the valve.

A person in possession of a recalled cylinder should immediately stop using the cylinder by closing the valve and safely disconnecting the cylinder.

2. Store the cylinder.

Store the cylinder in a space that is well ventilated, not enclosed, and away from any heat or heat source.

3. Contact a professional.

Contact a local qualified professional, trained in handling cylinders, to safely discharge, purge, and remove the cylinder valve. Please visit the Propane Education & Research Council website at <http://www.usepropane.com/fpr.aspx> to locate the nearest qualified professional.

4. Disposal.

After the cylinder has been safely discharged, purged, and the valve removed, it may now be properly disposed of. As stated by the Propane Education & Research Council, *“never dispose of your propane cylinder by throwing it in the trash. Please check to see if there are municipal programs for collection in your area, or contact your propane retailer for guidance on disposal of the cylinder.”*

Site Reference: <http://www.usepropane.com/safe-source-of-energy/small-cylinder-safety/#Link>

Please visit the Propane Education & Research Council website at <http://www.usepropane.com/fpr.aspx> to locate the nearest qualified professional. If you are still unsure how to properly dispose of the cylinders locally, you can contact also your local department of environmental management or local fire marshal with any questions.

5. Report to PHMSA.

After properly disposing of the cylinder, please report the disposal at PHMSA's website: http://opsweb.phmsa.dot.gov/cylinder_recall/

Transporting Cylinder:

If possible, do not transport the cylinder. If transport is required, the Propane Education & Research Council provides the following guidance on transporting small cylinders:

- ALWAYS transport and store a cylinder in a secure and upright position so it will not fall, shift, or roll;
- ALWAYS close the cylinder valve and, if required, seal with a plug, even if the cylinder is empty. Ask your propane retailer if a plug is required;
- NEVER keep a filled cylinder inside a hot vehicle;
- ALWAYS place the cylinder in a well-ventilated area of the vehicle;
- ALWAYS proceed directly to your destination and immediately remove the cylinder from your vehicle; and
- The law places limits on the number of cylinders and the amount of propane that can be transported in closed-bodied vehicles such as passenger cars and vans. Ask your propane retailer for more information on state and local codes that apply to you.

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Empty Cylinders:

If the recalled cylinder is empty through standard usage, it may still maintain pressure and contain a hazardous propane residue. Store the empty cylinder in a space that is well ventilated, not enclosed, and away from any heat or heat source. Contact a qualified professional, trained in handling cylinders, to safely discharge, purge, and remove the cylinder valve.

Continued Use of Recalled Cylinders:

Cylinders marked with the Lite Cylinder Company, Inc.'s manufacturer number M5729 AND DOT special permit number DOT-SP14562, DOT-SP 13957, or DOT-SP 13105 are subject to the Emergency Recall Order regardless of age, condition, or performance and are prohibited from being refilled. Any company refilling a recalled cylinder can be subject to civil penalties.

Composite Scandinavia and RAGASCO:

The Composite Scandinavia and RAGASCO companies were not part of this investigation or action. Similar composite cylinders manufactured and marked by Composite Scandinavia (Manufacturer number M0408) or RAGASCO (Manufacturer number M0407) are not subject to the recall order. Cylinders marked DOT-SP 13105 AND M0408 are not subject to the recall order.

Sending Cylinders Back to Lite Cylinder:

The Lite Cylinder Company, Inc. has notified PHMSA that it cannot accept recalled cylinders. Please refer to the guidance above for discontinuing use of the cylinder and contacting the proper entities for safely discharging, purging, valve removal, and disposal.

For Additional Information please visit our website at

[HTTP://WWW.PHMSA.DOT.GOV/CYLINDER-RECALL](http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/cylinder-recall)