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Introduction

The following guidelines are for everyone who handles gas cylinders, and are based upon experience. Some precautions are also applicable to gas suppliers and distributors. It should not be assumed that every applicable safety precaution or regulation is contained herein.

Gas cylinders are constructed, maintained and used in accordance with applicable regulations and are safe for the purposes for which they are intended. Accidents occurring during the transportation, handling, usage and storage of these cylinders can often be traced to failure to follow the guidelines set forth in this International Standard.

Users of compressed, liquefied or dissolved gases should become familiar with the properties and inherent hazards of the products they use. Valuable information pertaining to each specific gas is contained within its product labelling and safety data sheet.