

Life Saving Rules



EIGA believes that if all workers in our industry follow a fundamental set of rules, many serious or potentially fatal accidents could be avoided.

Member companies should identify their hazards through risk assessments and ensure that workers fully understand the measures required to reduce the risk. These Life Saving Rules are intended to remind workers of the hazards and to refer them to their local risk assessments.

The rules were developed from knowledge of accidents and incidents, especially those which are particular to the gas industry and from an understanding of existing lifesaving rules within some Member companies.

EIGA believes that all workers should:



Asphyxiation Hazards

- Understand and search for potential asphyxiation hazards, in enclosed spaces as well as near to equipment containing gases or cryogenic liquids... take care and warn others.



Oxygen hazards

- Be aware of fire hazards whenever dealing with oxygen... never deviate from the procedures and be sure to maintain cleanliness for oxygen service.



Hazardous substances

- Understand the effects of substances hazardous to health, on themselves and others... use prescribed safeguards, including PPE, properly.



Confined or enclosed spaces

- Recognise and respect the hazards of confined or enclosed spaces... and be properly prepared for a rescue.