



# DIRECTIVE



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## Fuel Safety - Filling of Propane Cylinders

### Legal information

Issued pursuant to section 30 of the Technical Safety Act

### Summary

- The CSA B149.2-20 code prohibits the filling of propane cylinders under certain circumstances

#### 5.2.7

A container shall not be filled or gauged;

- inside a building, other than a building designed for such purpose;
- in a location that is not well ventilated;
- within 10 ft (3 m) measured horizontally from the air intake of any appliance or air moving equipment; or
- within 10 ft (3 m) measured horizontally from any source of ignition.

- These conditions must be monitored and controlled when the filling of forklift and other small portable cylinders is done within the confines of a licensed and inspected facility such as a propane refill centre or plant. The activity of refilling these types of cylinders is potentially hazardous and must be performed in a controlled environment.
- The following directive has been established in order to ensure that fuel suppliers are refilling cylinders in accordance with the code and good practice.

## **Directive:**

All portable cylinders (those that are not part of a permanent installation) shall only be refilled at a licensed container refill centre or propane bulk plant.

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