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## Set up and use gas cylinders

### Introduction

The storage and use of gas cylinders is prohibited throughout the exhibition centre unless written permission has been given by Messe Düsseldorf.

Any late applications or failure to submit applications will incur an additional processing charge of € 210.08 plus VAT.

It is possible to grant permission for the storage of a daily amount of gas in cylinders, if this is required for the operation and demonstration of exhibits.

For this purpose, exhibitors and contractors of Messe Düsseldorf need to obtain permission from Messe Düsseldorf GmbH via the Online Order System, using the "Application for permission to set up and use gas".

The Messe Düsseldorf GmbH sends a written permit after the application has been approved. This permit is only valid if all the listed precautions are met. Failure to comply with one or all of the points on the permit leads to its immediate termination.

In order to store and use gas, the exhibitor must supply a risk assessment and suitable operating instructions to be used for operation at the exhibition stand. Risk assessment must always include information whether additional precautions for operation of the exhibition stand are also required for any neighbouring space. Any endangering of neighbouring space is not admissible.

### Note

Gas cylinders may not be set up or used in exhibition halls or anywhere at the exhibition centre if they contain toxic, caustic or hazardous gases.

Empty cylinders for demonstration purposes must be labelled "Leerer Behälter – Musterflasche" / "Empty Cylinder – Specimen".

Under the German Industrial Safety Regulation, section 6, an explosion protection document must be written for areas where a hazardous explosive atmosphere may occur under certain conditions.

The aforementioned safety documents must be available at the exhibition stand from the setup period onwards.

### Legal provisions

Gas may only be used under the relevant applicable provisions specified in industrial and trade law. According to the German Social Insurance Code VII (SGB VII), section 16.2, all accident prevention regulations and all other relevant statutory provisions are binding upon both German and non-German companies and their workforce.

To ensure safe use, the following legal provisions are among the ones that must be observed:

- ➔ German Hazardous Substances Regulation (GefStoffV)
- ➔ German Industrial Safety Regulation (BetrSichV)
- ➔ German Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS)
- ➔ German Technical Rules for Operational Safety (TRBS)
- ➔ German Social Accident Insurance Regulations (DGUV), e.g. rules and information

When Messe Düsseldorf has checked and approved your application, you will receive a written permit by the beginning of the official setup phase. Make sure you take note of the contents specified in this permit. The permit itself and the safety data sheet of the relevant gas must both be available on paper at your exhibition stand as soon as the gas cylinders are at your stand.

The place where the gas cylinder is kept must be labelled with warning sign W029, "Warnung vor Gasflaschen" / "Beware – gas cylinders", as specified in ASR A1.3. In addition, further hazard labels may be required.

### Transport of gas cylinders in exhibition halls

Empty gas cylinders may only be replaced with full ones before and after the publicly announced opening times of the relevant event. Transport to the exhibition stand must be carried out with great caution and care, using suitable means of transport. One safe alternative to supplying your own gas cylinders is the use of a Messe Düsseldorf service contractor (a carrier), who will store the gas cylinders and take them to the exhibition stand upon request.