## Directions & safety tips for the safe and correct use of our Sol Gas cylinders

#### Now that you've purchased your gas cylinder, how should you transport it?

- a) Cylinders should always be transported in a secured and upright position.
- You should not roll or throw your cylinders when moving them into position. Always lift and carefully position them upright in place.

#### You've got your cylinder safely home, how should it be stored?

- a) Do your best to always keep your cylinder cool. Avoid leaving it out in the sun, in a parked vehicle, up close to your stove or near any other heat source.
- b) You should not store your cylinders in tight or narrow spaces like cupboards or confined corners. Your cylinder should always be stored in areas with adequate ventilation. It is ideal to place your Sol Gas Cylinder on the outside of the house/building.

#### You are ready to use your gas cylinder, here is a step by step guide to connecting your Sol Gas cylinder:

 a) Check that you have an appropriate regulator, see diagram 1. The pressure regulator should be designed specifically for use with LPG and should have a marking on it to indicate this fact.

- Always use a hose specifically designed for use with LPG. Your hose should NOT be longer than 2 metres.
- Firmly connect the hose to the regulator, see diagram 2, by pressing the hose over the connector until it is entirely covered.
- d) Keeping the cylinder in an upright position, see diagram 3, securely attach the regulator onto the cylinder valve until it clicks into place, and is properly fastened and secured. Avoid using excessive force to do this.
- e) Only AFTER checking that the regulator is securely in place open the regulator valve.
- f) You should not smoke while connecting your cylinder, nor should you ever use a flame to check for leaks.
- Regulators should be protected from exposure to rain.







**DIAGRAM 1** 

**DIAGRAM 2** 

PLEASE NOTE - Store your LPG cylinder in an upright position and away from other combustible and flammable materials.



#### What should you do if you smell gas?

- a) Turn off your stove or gas barbeque grill.
- b) Do not use matches, a lighter, a cellular phone or a light switch.
- Open all doors and windows to allow any gas to dissipate out of the room.
- d) If your regulator is switched on, switch it off.
- e) For assistance, please call the Sol Gas hotline.
  Once it is safe to move the cylinder, take it to an open, well-ventilated area.

### How to care for your regulator hose?

- a. Check the hose clips to ensure that they are in good working condition and properly secured.
- Every time you change cylinders, inspect your regulator for wear and damage. If signs of damage are found, immediately contact your Sol Gas dealer for a replacement regulator.
- c) Change regulator every 5 years.
- d) Check your approved rubber hose regularly for cracks and change it every **2 years.**
- e) Only use regulator hoses that are specifically designed for LPG.

### Some other safety tips for the use of Sol Gas Cylinders:

- a) Before fitting the regulator to the gas cylinder valve, make sure that the appliance is turned off or that all the stove burner knobs are in the off position.
- b) When lighting an appliance that does not have a pilot light, have a lighted match or other means of ignition ready before you turn on the gas.



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