

Safety Alert 009

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Title: Rothenberger/Worthington Cylinders Recall Notice

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This Safety Alert has been issued to alert registered businesses/engineers who may be using Rothenberger Torch Kits, or replacement MAP//Pro fuel cylinders, purchased prior to 15 January 2012 that the cylinder supplier, Worthington Cylinders have issued the following Safety recall Notice. This relates to a potential for un-burnt gas to escape from the cylinder valve after initial use and subsequent disconnection.

Introduction

ROTHENBERGER have issued a voluntary recall notice for their 400g disposable gas cylinders of MAP//Pro (current Yellow) Cylinder due to a quality issue with the valve. To date there are no known incidents of fire or injury associated with this issue, and Worthington are undertaking this recall as a precaution.

MAP-PRO, PROPYLENE AND MAPP CYLINDERS

Worthington Cylinders is voluntarily recalling its MAP-Pro, Propylene and MAPP cylinders sold before 15 January 2012. Cylinders were sold both as replacement fuel and in torch kits under brand names including Rothenberger, SuperEgo, Castolin, Turbotorch, Nevax, Bromic, Uniweld, Ameriflame, Hotery, Go-System, Turner and Worthington.

Product Description

- Approximately 75mm in diameter x 280mm tall
- Always yellow
- Lot marking on the bottom of the cylinder starts with a W_ D, W_ E, W_ F, W_ G, W_ H. W_ J. W_ K. W_ L as detailed in the chart below:

2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
-	W1E	W1F	W1G	W1H	W1J	W1K	W1L
-	W2E	W2F	W1G	W2H	W2J	W2K	W2L
-	W3E	W3F	W3G	W3H	W3J	W3K	W3L
-	W4E	W4F	W4G	W4H	W4J	W4K	W4L
-	W4E	W4F	W4G	W4H	W4J	W4K	W4L
-	W5E	W5F	W5G	W5H	W5J	W5K	W5L
-	W6E	W6F	W6G	W6H	WSJ	W6K	W6L
-	W7E	W7F	W7G	W7H	W4J	W7K	W7L
-	W8E	W8F	W8G	W8H	W4J	W8K	W8L
W9D	W9E	W9F	W9G	W9H	W9J	W9K	W9L
W10D	W10E	W10F	W10G	W10H	W10J	W10K	W10L
W11D	W11E	W11F	W11G	W11H	W11J	W11K	W11L
W12D	W12E	W12F	W12G	W12H	W12J	W12K	W12L



Note: Cylinders with a black or white diamond on the cylinder shoulder are not affected by the recall

Issue

The cylinder may leak after a torch or other device is disconnected from the cylinder. If the leak is large enough or if the gas is permitted to accumulate in an enclosed area and there is a

source of ignition, a fire could occur. There are no known incidents of fire or injury associated with this issue. Worthington is undertaking this voluntary recall as a precaution.

Important: Never transport a leaking cylinder

What to do

		Action
Unused cylinder (If the cylinder has never been connected to a torch or other device)		Do not use cylinder. Return cylinder to store where it was purchased for exchange or a full refund
Partially Used Cylinder	If the cylinder is currently connected to a torch or other device	Do not disconnect the torch or other device. Take outdoors Ignite the torch and burn off the entire contents of the cylinder. * Disconnect torch from empty cylinder. Dispose of <u>empty</u> cylinder as cylinder label instructions or return it to the store where it was purchased for exchange or a full refund.
	If the cylinder has been connected to a torch or other device, but is not connected now	Attach torch or other device. Take cylinder outdoors. Ignite the torch and burn off the entire contents of the cylinder. * 'Disconnect torch from empty cylinder. Return it to the store where it was purchased for exchange when replacement stocks are available (anticipated mid-February).
* Never leave lit torch and cylinder unattended. Use torch only in a well-ventilated area.		

**PLEASE USE BLUE OR BLACK PROPANE CYLINDERS UNTIL REPLACEMENT STOCKS ARE AVAILABLE
THESE ARE UNAFFECTED BY THIS RECALL**

For More information

Contact your distributor or original point of purchase.
Email: MAPCylinderRecall@worthingtoncylinders.com
Details will be available at www.MAPCylinderRecall.com

Rothenberger apologise for any inconvenience and thank you for your cooperation and understanding

Or contact Rothenberger (UK) Ltd on

01536 310300 where Customer Services will be able to advise

Attached to this Safety Alert as Appendix 1 is a reproduced version of the Worthington Cylinders recall notice.

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Notice to Worthington Customers

January 2012

Voluntary Product Recall of MAP-Pro, Propylene and MAPP Cylinders

Worthington is voluntarily recalling its MAP-Pro, Propylene and MAPP cylinders due to a quality issue with the valve which is purchased from a vendor. There are no known incidents of fire or injury associated with this issue. New cylinders in customers' inventory that have never had a torch attached will not leak due to this issue when stored, transported or moved. Worthington is undertaking this voluntary recall out of an abundance of caution.



Yellow

Products affected:

- 14.1 oz MAP-Pro (yellow cylinder)
- 14.1 oz Propylene (black cylinder) **NOT** sold by ROTHENBERGER in the UK
- 16 oz MAPP (yellow cylinder)
- Hand torch kits containing 14.1 oz MAP-Pro

Not affected by this recall

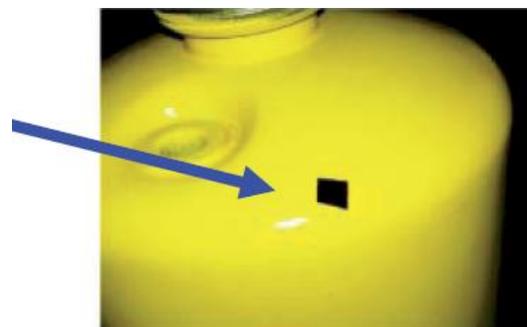
- 14.1 oz propane (blue or black cylinder) or old **BLACK PROPANE**
- 1.4 oz oxygen (red cylinder)
- 16.4 oz propane (green cylinder)

Worthington's Course of Action

Worthington has notified the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and Health Canada of this issue and is working with other consumer product commissions worldwide to provide appropriate notice to consumers. Worthington is pulling back its customers' inventory in parallel with the consumer recall and will help coordinate product inventory collection.

New cylinders produced after 12 January 2012 will be marked with a black or white diamond on the top shoulder of the cylinder. The master carton is marked with date of manufacture.

Cylinders produced after 12 January 2012 are not part of the recall.



We apologize for this inconvenience and are aggressively working to provide customers with appropriate replacement products as well as provide a reasonable mechanism for returning the affected products.