**Standard Operating Procedure for your Gas Cylinder**

**Cylinder Checks Before Use**

1. Is the cylinder secure against movement? (not used in a trolley but securely clamped to a sturdy bench, chained to a wall or in the correct cylinder stand).
2. Is the cylinder colour appropriate to the label? (reject if the information is incorrect).
3. Is the cylinder correctly labelled or certificated by the supplier?
4. Is the cylinder in date? (check the test rings on the neck)
5. Is the gas type noted and appropriate for the application?
6. Is the cylinder pressure not more than the regulator pressure rating?
7. Is the cylinder valve capped (only applicable if new)?
8. Is the cylinder valve undamaged and free from oils, greases and PTFE tape?
9. Is the cylinder valve free from moisture, dirt and debris?

**Note:** Do not use cylinder if any of the above answers are no, if used; this could lead to a serious injury. If the cylinder is damaged or inaccurately labelled send it back to the supplier, letting Stores know of the issue.