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Where possible, have your gas supplier deliver the cylinders directly to the field site. However, if you want to pick up or deliver a cylinder and a vehicle is required to transport cylinders, then it should be done as follows:

- ✓ Gas cylinders shall only be transported on an open back utility or in a utility back canopy that is separate from the main body of the vehicle.
- ✓ Ideally cylinders should be transported standing up and firmly secured.
- ✓ If cylinders are transported lying down than suitable support devices are required to prevent the cylinders from rolling.
- ✓ Remove the gas cylinders from the vehicle immediately on arrival to destination and secure them appropriately.



Secure cylinders to stop them from rolling or moving



Unsecured cylinders or poorly secured cylinders will move and result in accidents.

**It is important that you do not;**

- ✓ Allow cylinders to slide or come into contact with sharp edges
- ✓ Allow cylinders to overhang the sides of transport vehicles
- ✓ Drop cylinders or allow them to come into violent contact with each other or other hard objects
- ✓ Load or offload cylinders by means of electro-magnetic cranes or chain slings

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- ✓ Allow combustible gas cylinders to be transported unless the valves are adequately protected
- ✓ Lift more than one cylinder at a time unless use is made of properly designed cradles
- ✓ Under any circumstances drag, roll or topple Acetylene cylinder

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