

Respiratory Department

On / Off Valve on Home Oxygen Cylinders

Information for parents and carers

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All cylinders will be delivered by AirLiquide (Home Oxygen Company) with the valve closed, it is therefore important that you follow these instructions each time you use the cylinder:

Opening your Cylinders

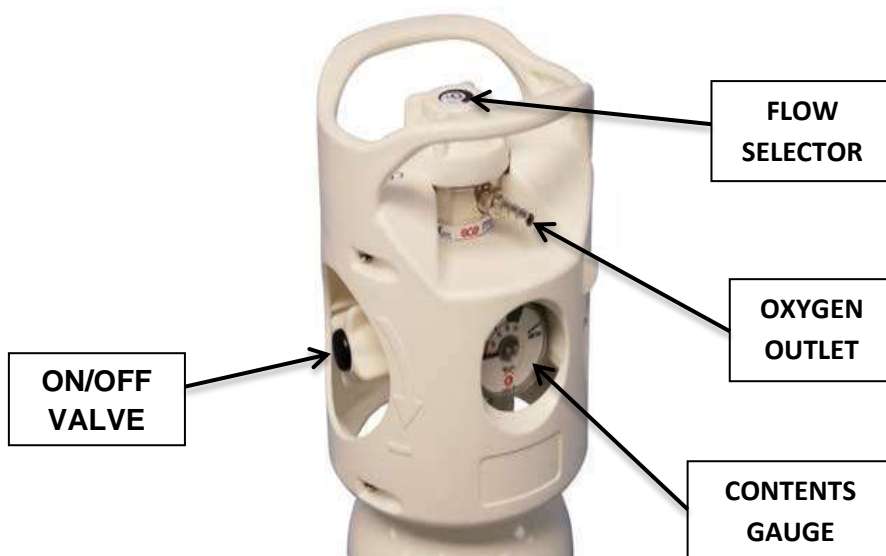
1. Check the contents gauge to make sure the cylinder contains oxygen continually throughout use.
2. Make sure that the flow selector is set to Zero (0).
3. Attach your tubing to the oxygen outlet.
4. **Slowly** turn the **ON/OFF** valve located on the side of the cylinder anticlockwise to fully open.
5. Turn the flow selector to the flow rate that has been prescribed by your healthcare professional. If your child is on lower flow rates than the flow selector, you will have low/micro flow regulator that will determine flow rate, the flow selector will stay on zero, this will be discussed during training



Closing your Cylinders

You should **ALWAYS** turn your cylinders off when you are not using them by turning the **ON/OFF** valve clockwise to close (hand tight).

You may hear a hissing sound for a few seconds (don't worry this is normal – it is the sound of the residual gas being released). Wait until all the hissing stops and then turn the flow selector to the Zero (0) position.



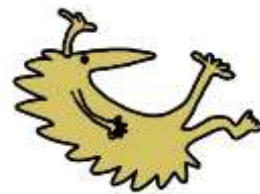
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This leaflet only gives general information. You must always discuss the individual treatment of your child with the appropriate member of staff. Do not rely on this leaflet alone for information about your child's treatment.

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