

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012

**SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL HANDLING INFORMATION – FAQ’S**  
MAP/PRO GAS CYLINDERS (including Rothenberger & Super Ego brands)

All Customers,

Please see below some additional safe handling information about safe handling practices of dangerous goods such as Map/Pro Gas.

**What products does this recall apply to?**

Following Rothenberger Australia’s own official recall of select ROTHENBERGER & SUPER EGO branded Map/Pro Cylinders issued before Xmas, we have been officially advised by Worthington Cylinders USA, our source manufacturing partner, they have now finally decided to recall **ALL Map/Pro Cylinders manufactured prior to 1 Jan 2012, across all brands/markets.**

**Immediate Action**

**Please cease sales/purchases of all Map/Pro stock immediately and quarantine and send ALL ROTHENBERGER & SUPER EGO branded stock only back to supplier.** Other brands of Map/Pro will not be accepted and must be directed back to the original point of purchase.

**Next Action?**

Further official recall details will be issued later this week by Worthington Cylinders themselves who will now be issuing an official recall via the Australian ([www.recalls.gov.au](http://www.recalls.gov.au)) & New Zealand regulators.

**Why the recall? What’s the issue with the product?**

Worthington is voluntarily recalling its MAP-Pro, Propylene and MAPP cylinders in North America **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.

**What if it’s – a totally new cylinder that’s NOT yet used? (i.e. a torch has NOT yet been screwed on)**

If it’s a new cylinder, where a brazing/hand torch has not yet been screwed onto the cylinder and therefore not yet activated the cylinders are safe – but they should still be immediately be recalled & returned to the point of purchase for a refund. New cylinders in customers’ inventory that have never had a torch attached will not leak due to this issue when stored, transported or moved.

**What if it’s – a partly used cylinder that HAS been partly used? (i.e. a torch has been screwed on)**

After a hand/brazing torch is removed from the cylinder, some of the cylinder valves may be slow to shut-off. You can easily identify a leaky cylinder by smell, or by bubble test with leak detection spray over the top of the valve.

If it’s a partially used or active cylinder where a brazing/hand torch has been fitted and a leak is evident – immediately vent the remaining gas outside in a well ventilated remote area and in a safe manner. Wear appropriate personal protection equipment (PPE) such as gloves & safety glasses.

**More Product Safe Handling information?**

Please refer to all Australian Standards and Material Safety Data Sheet which explain best practice of handling Map and other cylinders, as well as advice on the cylinder label.