

## **LPG Connection tips**

It is advisable to perform the following checks after a new cylinder is installed at your home. The LPG technician is expected to and most probably will check these but you can also double check.

### **1. Checks after refill: You may undertake simple checks at the time of your refill receipt:-**

- Check the seal of the cylinder.
- Check the safety cap. It should not have any cracks.
- Remove safety Cap and check for leakage from the valve. Usually in case of any leakage from the Cylinder valve, the safety cap will pop off at the time of removal. This can be further reaffirmed by placing your thumb on the cylinder valve.
- Get the new cylinder connected with the gas stove and make sure that no leakage is observed. If you are keeping this cylinder as a spare one, then have it removed, fit the safety cap on the cylinder valve and store it aside at a safe cool place.
- Reconnect old cylinder in use; pay the cash and acknowledge the 2nd copy of the cash memo / refill voucher

### **2. LPG installation maintenance**

- Clean the gas stove after each cooking.
- Clean the rubber tube with wet cloth after cooking.
- Check rubber tube for any cracks. Close the pressure regulator knob.
- Clean up the choked holes of the burner, but once it is cooled off lest you hurt yourself touching a hot burner.

### **3. Domestic installation safety checks**

The safety audit of the domestic installations should be carried out once in every two years. Your cylinder distributor's trained mechanic should conduct such an audit at your place. You will need to pay a nominal charge to your distributor for this. You should ensure that the mechanic carries an identity card with him confirming his identity as an authorized person from your distributor for carrying out such an inspection. In case of doubt, it is advisable to seek confirmation from your distributor to rule out any imposters.

### **4. Sweating on the cylinders**

If the rate of withdrawal of LPG is higher than the designed rate, the cylinder starts sweating and you would see condensation on the body of the cylinders. If the cylinders in the manifold are regularly sweating, it is advisable to check

your LPG consumption rate vis-à-vis the Cylinder manifold design. Consult your nearest Area Manager or a technical consultant, you may require to increase your cylinder manifold bank.

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