

K-Gas, Inc.
SAFETY NOTICE

A warning odorant is added to propane so that leaks of unburned gas can be quickly detected. It is a strong, foul odor. If you suspect a gas leak, contact a qualified service technician immediately. If you are not sure of what propane smells like, we can provide a safety brochure that demonstrates the smell.

CAN YOU SMELL IT?

It may be hard for some people to smell propane for any one or more of the following reasons:

- Colds, allergies, sinus congestion or another medical condition;
- The sense of smell is reduced due to the use of tobacco, alcohol, drugs, smoke, cooking odors and other strong odors that mask the smell of propane;
- With age, the sense of smell may be less sensitive;
- If the smell of propane is present for a period of time, "odor fatigue" may occur and a person no longer smells the propane odor; or
- The smell of propane may be in an area (basement or crawl space) where it is not detected by those in other areas of the building.

A phenomenon called "**odor fade**" may occur, the unintended reduction in the concentration of the odor of propane. Although rare, several situations can cause odor fade:

- Air, water or rust in a propane container;
- If an underground propane leak exists, the passage of propane through some soils; or
- Propane odor may stick to inside surfaces of propane piping and distribution systems or other materials.

IF YOU SMELL GAS:

- **Do Not Enter An Area Where You Suspect a Gas Leak**
- **Do Not Try to Judge for Yourself the Level of Danger of a Gas Leak: All Gas Leaks Pose a Serious Threat.**
- **No Flames or Sparks:** Put out all smoking materials and other open flames. Do not use lights, appliances, telephones, including cell phones. Flames or sparks from these can trigger an explosion.
- **Leave the Area Immediately:** Get everyone out of the building or area where you suspect gas is leaking.
- **Shut-Off the Gas:** Turn off the main gas supply valve on the propane tank if it is safe to do so. Turn the valve to the right to close.
- **Report the Leak:** From a neighbor's house or other nearby building away from the gas leak, call K-Gas right away at 530-532-9366. If you cannot reach the company, call 911 or your local fire department.
- **Do Not Return to the Area or Building** until K-Gas or the local officials who have responded determine it is safe to do so.
- **Get Your System Checked:** Before you attempt to use any of your propane appliances, K-Gas or another qualified propane service technician must conduct a leak check.

RUNNING OUT OF GAS:

DO NOT RUN OUT OF GAS, SERIOUS SAFETY HAZARDS, INCLUDING FIRE AND EXPLOSION, CAN RESULT.

- If an appliance valve or gas line is left open when the propane supply runs out, a leak could occur when the system is recharged with propane.
- Air and moisture could get inside the propane container resulting in the possibility of odor fade.
- If you run out of gas, your pilot lights will go out and can be extremely dangerous if not handled properly.
- **A LEAK CHECK IS REQUIRED.**
- **SET-UP AUTOMATIC DELIVERIES** OR Check the gauge on your tank regularly and if the fuel level drops at or near 20%, call for a refill.

LIGHTING PILOT LIGHTS:

It is strongly recommended that a qualified propane service technician light any pilot light that has gone out. We are required to relight your pilot lights in an out of gas situation.

- A pilot light that repeatedly goes out or is difficult to light may be a signal that there is a problem with the appliance or the propane system. If this occurs do not try to fix the problem yourself. Contact a qualified propane service technician to evaluate the appliance.

IF YOU LIGHT A PILOT YOURSELF, YOU ARE TAKING THE RISK OF STARTING A FIRE OR AN EXPLOSION. MANY SERIOUS INJURIES OCCUR WHEN PEOPLE ATTEMPT TO LIGHT PILOT LIGHTS. PROCEED WITH GREAT CAUTION.

- Follow the manufacturers' instructions and warnings about the appliance.
- **DO NOT** apply force or use tools on the pilot light or controls. This could damage the components and cause gas to leak.
- **DO NOT** attempt to let air out of the gas lines by opening a valve or fitting inside a building or enclosed space as you may release gas and not be able to smell it.
- **DO NOT** apply oil to a sticky knob or button on a gas control valve. It can cause the control valve to malfunction.
- **DO NOT** tamper with or use tools to operate gas controls.

CARBON MONOXIDE: IMPROPERLY

VENTED OR DEFECTIVE APPLIANCES CAN CAUSE POTENTIALLY FATAL CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING. HAVE YOUR SYSTEM PERIODICALLY INSPECTED BY A QUALIFIED SERVICE COMPANY.

OTHER IMPORTANT SAFETY RULES

- **DO NOT** allow unqualified personnel to service your propane appliances or system.
- If any of your appliances has been flooded, shut off the gas immediately at the tank. **DO NOT** use the gas system until the wet or flooded appliances have been checked or serviced.
- Keep combustible products, like gasoline, kerosene or cleaners, in a separate room from propane appliances. Appliance pilot lights could ignite fumes from those combustibles.