



## oxygen cylinder storage in your home

**There are three issues with storing oxygen in your home:**

1. Security
2. Placing away from a heat source
3. Adequate ventilation

**In the home the oxygen cylinders should be placed:**

1. In appropriate stands to prevent tipping, secured to the wall, or placed on their side on the floor.
2. In areas unavailable to the public. This would exclude outside storage places such as open porches or decks away from heat sources.
3. In areas with adequate ventilation. Placement in a closed closet would not provide adequate ventilation. Placement under the patient's bed could be acceptable provided there are no bed coverings that would occlude airflow and no heat source is located under the bed.
4. We do not recommend storage of cylinders in your garage because of the extreme temperatures in the summer.