



Honeywell Safety Products

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IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

To: **All U.S. and Canadian Users and Distributors of the Following Honeywell Respiratory Products: TITAN™, Panther, Cougar and PUMA SCBAs; 5-minute and 10-minute EBAs; 5-minute, 10-minute and 15-minute Hip-Pac Pressure Demand SARs with Escape Cylinders; and All Spare Cylinders for the Aforementioned Products**

Why you received this notice:

The purpose of this Important Safety Notice is to advise you of a potential issue with the compressed air used to fill certain compressed air cylinders. This Important Safety Notice applies to cylinders installed in the above-referenced respirators and to spare cylinders, in each instance, shipped by Honeywell to customers in the U.S. and Canada from December 22, 2015, through May 25, 2016. A list of the part numbers of all affected products is attached to this Important Safety Notice.

During a routine audit, Honeywell discovered a slight amount of excess moisture content in its compressed air filling system for Grade D air required to meet the specifications of NFPA 1989, *Standard on Breathing Air Quality for Emergency Services Respiratory Protection, 2013 Edition*; and CGA G-7.1-2011, *Commodity Specification for Air*.

Such excess moisture does not pose a physiological risk to the user. However, in extreme cases, it may cause ice to form in the first stage pressure reducer, potentially resulting in a restriction or cessation of air flow.

What you need to do:

If you have received any of the respirators or spare cylinders that fall within the scope of this Important Safety Notice, please take the following actions:

Cylinder Usage	Required Action
Cylinder has been used and depressurized completely but has not been refilled	No action required
Cylinder has been used, depressurized completely, and refilled	No action required
Cylinder has been partially used and has been refilled or has not been refilled	Empty completely and refill with Grade D air
Cylinder has not been used at all	Empty completely and refill with Grade D air

Cylinder Refilling Process:

If your cylinders fall within the scope of this Important Safety Notice, you have partially used but not purged the air or have not used the air in your cylinders, and you are required, according to the previous table, to refill your cylinders with Grade D air, contact your local Honeywell Respiratory Warranty Service Center. **Do not use the compressed air in your cylinders.** If that service center offers a cylinder refilling service, they will provide it to you at no charge. You may also fill the cylinders yourself if you have the capability of filling with Grade D air, or you may use any qualified compressed gas supplier that has the ability to fill cylinders with Grade D air.

If you are a distributor and have cylinders in your inventory that fall within the scope of this Important Safety Notice, purge and refill the cylinders according to the instructions in the preceding paragraph.

NOTE: The cylinders that fall within the scope of this Important Safety Notice are those that were ***shipped by Honeywell*** from December 22, 2015, through May 25, 2016, not necessarily manufactured during that date range. Use only the shipping date, not the manufacturing date marked on the cylinder, to determine whether that cylinder is included within the scope of this Important Safety Notice.

Complete the attached Fax/Email Form once the filling has been completed, indicating the type and quantity of cylinders you have filled.

If you are an end user, you will be reimbursed, in the form of a discount against future purchases, by your local Honeywell distributor for any charges you incur by a local compressed gas supplier for filling your cylinders, up to a maximum of \$8 per cylinder, upon your remission of the form referenced above to Honeywell and remission of a coupon, which will subsequently be issued to you by Honeywell, to your local Honeywell distributor. **If you are a distributor**, you will be reimbursed for refilling at the rate of \$8 per cylinder in your inventory. Reimbursements shall only be available once per cylinder, and Honeywell shall have no obligation to pay any reimbursement for Fax/Email Forms submitted after August 26, 2016. *Please do not return cylinders to Honeywell for refilling.* Honeywell will not accept such shipments and will return cylinders unfilled.

Honeywell is providing the service outlined herein as part of its normal warranty process. Your sole and exclusive remedy in connection with the issue identified herein is set forth in the limited warranty documentation included with your Honeywell respirator. Honeywell is committed to ensuring safety, dependability and an outstanding user experience for our customers. We are issuing this Important Safety Notice and requiring the actions specified herein in accordance with our company philosophy of delivering the best performing products possible. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your immediate attention to this issue. All questions should be directed to **Honeywell Respiratory Technical Services** at **(800) 873-5242 (press 2)** or emailed to cylindersafetynotice@honeywell.com.

Sincerely,



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