# Think Safety First!

## **CHEMICAL SAFETY MOMENT**

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### Gas Cylinder Safety



Leaving a gas cylinder unsecured poses serious safety problems and jeopardizes the safety of everyone in the building. Remember the following safety guidelines when working with all gas cylinders:

- Gas cylinders must be chained to a secure location at all times.
- Gas cylinders must be secured individually.
- Caps shall be on the gas cylinder when not in use and no regulator is attached.
- All gases should be turned off when not in use and monitored with then are in use.

#### Is it Summer yet?

As the weather gets warmer, remember that shorts and open-toed shoes are not permitted in the lab. Proper lab attire <u>starts</u> with long pants, closed-toed shoes, and no synthetic materials. If you have trouble remembering, keep a pair of pants and shoes in your office.

#### Keep lab doors and windows closed





Do not prop open laboratory doors or windows at any time. Laboratory doors are designed to provide a fire barrier and allow the laboratory ventilation to work correctly. By propping doors open, you increase the risk of fires spreading, diminish the effectiveness of your lab ventilation, and reduce the security of your laboratory.

#### Annual EHS poster contest

Submit a safety poster representing one of the topics of Lab Safety, Shop Safety, or Personal Home Safety to <u>dehsafety@udel.edu</u> by June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Three posters will be chosen, winners will be awarded \$100.00 gift card for 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$75.00 for 2<sup>nd</sup> place and \$50.00 gift card for 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

