

OXYGEN USE AT HOME

The oxygen in a tank/concentrator is not like the air we breathe. It is highly concentrated and under pressure.

Oxygen in this form is flammable.

Risk of fire



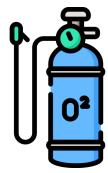
- › Smoking in the same room is never allowed
- › No heat source within 10 feet of the oxygen unit
- › No use of aerosol sprays, alcohol rubs/lotions/Vicks on or near the individual using oxygen
- › No electrical outlets or extension cords within 10 feet of the oxygen unit

Safety and storage



- › The oxygen unit needs to be secured in place so it does not fall over or disturbed
- › Do not store or place under a bed or under clothing or blankets
- › Keep a fire extinguisher nearby

Usage guide



- › The Hospice Team will provide the oxygen unit/concentrator and the tubing
- › If the tubing becomes soiled or damaged, ask the Hospice Team to change it
- › The hospice doctor or nurse will let you know what rate to run the oxygen
- › Familiarize yourself with how to turn the tank on and off. Ask the Hospice Team for help
- › Oxygen flowing through the tube into the nose can be drying. There are humidifiers that can help. Ask the Hospice Team for recommendations
- › Do not change the flow rate without asking your Hospice Team