

Prevent possible injury by knowing how to use your barbecue

Propane barbecues can blow their tops if they aren't lit properly.

Serious injuries and property damage have occurred when propane barbecues were lit with the lids closed. Experts with the Ontario Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations (MCCR) say many people don't use the popular appliances safely.

"From season to season people develop bad habits, they forget proper use and maintenance procedures and they get careless," says Bob Clendinning, head of Fuels Safety Branch for MCCR. "Propane is a safe and convenient fuel, but only when it is handled with respect. Otherwise, it is quite capable of exploding."

Review the manufacturer's instructions before using a barbecue for the first time or after a period of disuse, Clendinning suggests. Look for work parts needing replacement and check the burner system carefully for blockages.

Before the cylinder can be refilled, it will be inspected for damage and leaks. If ten years have passed since the most recent

date stamped on the collar, a more thorough inspection and replacement of the relief valve will be required.

When attaching the cylinder, be sure the rubber "O" ring at the valve connection is in good shape. The hose must not be left touching the body of the barbecue or it could melt and leak propane.

Always check for leaks after reattaching a cylinder. Use a soap and water solution that is concentrated enough to make bubbles. Brush suds over all hoses and connections. If bubbles appear, retighten the fittings or replace damaged parts.

"Opening the lid is the first thing to do when starting a barbecue, otherwise propane collected inside can explode when an attempt is made to light the burner," Clendinning says. "Next light a match, hold it in the right place to readily light the burner, then open the valves. Don't turn your back on a newly lit barbecue, especially if you've just attached the cylinder."

Air pockets in the fuel lines could cause the burner to go out,

letting unignited propane escape. Heavier than air, propane gas can collect in low areas and depressions, posing a serious hazard. Commercial propane is treated with a rotten cabbage scent to make its presence easily detectable.

To shut down a barbecue, turn off the gas supply at the cylinder, allowing the fuel lines to clear. Then close the control valve on the barbecue.

Don't store or transport propane cylinders in poorly ventilated conditions. Be sure they are always standing upright. Keep them outside, away from the house and out of direct sunlight. Never paint a cylinder a dark color that could cause it to absorb more heat than normal.

A ministry tip sheet on propane barbecues is available. For a free copy, contact the Consumer Information Centre at 555 Yonge Street, Toronto, Ontario M7A 2H6 - (416) 963-1111 or toll free at 1-800-268-1142. Ontario residents with an 807 area code may call the 416 number collect. The TTY/TDD line for the hearing impaired is (416) 963-0808.

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Applications for the position of Police Constable will be accepted by the undersigned until Monday, May 16th, 1988.

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INFORMATION MEETINGS

The Ontario Ministry of the Environment will be holding public information meetings on the proposed amendments to a Control Order on Kimberly-Clark Canada Limited.

In order to comply with the Control Order's requirement to reduce the acute toxicity of the company's effluent, the company is proposing to construct an aerated lagoon to provide secondary treatment. Proposed additions to the Control Order also address the reduction of persistent toxic substances in the effluent.

The meetings will be held at:

The Terrace Bay Recreation Centre

Monday, May 16

2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

7:30 - 9:30 p.m.



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Jim Bradley, Minister

SEANCES D'INFORMATION

Le ministère de l'Environnement l'Ontario Tiendront des séances d'information sur des modifications proposées a l'arrêté d'intervention qui a été délivré à la Kimberly-Clark Canada Ltée.

En vertu de cet arrêté, l'entreprise doit réduire la toxicité aigue de ses effluents. Pour ce faire, elle projette de construire un bassin d'aération pour effectuer le traitement secondaire de ses rejets. Les autres modifications traitent de la réduction des substances toxiques persistantes dans les effluents de la société.

Les séances auront lieu :

le lundi 16 mai 1988

de 14 h 30 a 16 h 30

et

de 19 h 30 a 21 h 30

au

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