

## Hot Work Out of Service Procedures

What should I do with a cylinder with a leaky valve or fitting?

The cylinder with the leaky valve or fitting should be taken outdoors away from ignition sources and slowly emptied. Additionally, clear and visible warning signs that prohibit open flame or other sources of ignition should be posted near cylinders with leaking fuse plugs or other leaking safety devices.

What should I do with any piece of defective welding equipment?

Any piece of defective welding equipment should be immediately removed from service and physically tagged "OUT OF SERVICE" in a conspicuous location on the defective equipment. All defective equipment should be removed from the normal work area and stored safely until the equipment can either be repaired or replaced. Once the equipment has been repaired it can be brought back into regular service.

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