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SMOHIT Safety Sense Toolbox Talks for the Sheet Metal Industry	<h3 style="margin: 0;">Handling Compressed Gases</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any type of compressed gas cylinder has the potential to be dangerous. Gas cylinders are highly explosive, and if a regulator is knocked off a cylinder, it can take off like a rocket. Gas cylinders, especially full ones, have enough power to smash cars and go through reinforced concrete walls. Every worker who does welding or cutting should know the proper way to handle cylinders. Handle every compressed gas cylinder as though it is full. Never assume a cylinder is empty, even if the gauge indicates so. Always make sure your hands or gloves are clean and that you have a good grip on the cylinder before moving it. Handling gas cylinders with greasy or oily hands or gloves allows for the potential of the cylinder to slip or fall to the floor. When moving a cylinder, carry it in an upright position. Do not drag, slide, or roll cylinders across the floor. When transporting cylinders, keep them standing upright and block or tie them securely. Make sure the protective cap is covering the valve. Never transport a cylinder with the regulator in place. Use a cradle or cylinder cage when lifting a gas cylinder with a crane. Store cylinders in an upright position and secure them so they won't fall. Store cylinders in a well-ventilated area where they will not be struck, and where they will be away from corrosives. Never let gas cylinders lay on their sides. Avoid exposing gas cylinders to heat or sunlight. 	<h3 style="margin: 0;">Instructor Tips</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate the proper way to handle compressed gas cylinders (e.g., proper lifting, transporting, and storing procedures).
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