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**BSS ALERT BOATERS TO 6KG CALOR LITE® CYLINDER PRODUCT RECALL**

The Boat Safety Scheme (BSS) is supporting Calor Gas Ltd to alert any boaters to the immediate product recall on all 6kg Calor Lite® cylinders manufactured between 2008 - 2011 inclusively, following concerns regarding the potential deterioration of the cylinder.



A small number of 6kg Calor Lite® cylinders have been found to be showing signs of premature internal deterioration which over time could potentially lead to a gas escape.

BSS Manager, Graham Watts said:

‘We have been advised that the risk of this occurring is perceived to be minimal’

‘However, we understand that Calor, which sees its responsibility for customer safety as paramount, is determined to have a thorough internal inspection of all potentially affected cylinders.’

Any 6kg Calor Lite® cylinders manufactured in 2008, 2009, 2010 or 2011 must be returned to any 6kg Calor Lite® retail outlet immediately. Cylinders manufactured outside of this date range are unaffected and safe to use.

Also cylinders from 2008-11 that have already been checked do not need returning. These are marked with a hole punched into the flat metal tare disc that sits on top of the cylinder just below the valve.

The date of manufacture of the cylinder can be found in two places on the cylinder base ring:

- Firstly adjacent to the words ‘Property of Calor Gas Ltd’ there is a box in which there are two letters, then two numbers which denote the year of manufacture i.e. 08, 09, 10, or 11, followed by one letter.
- In addition, at the very bottom of the base ring the third row of text shows the date of manufacture i.e. 2008, 2009, 2010 or 2011.

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Boaters can find the nearest 6kg Calor Lite® retail outlet by using the 'Find-a-Stockist' facilities to be found at [www.calor.co.uk/recall](http://www.calor.co.uk/recall). Boaters returning a cylinder from the critical period, will be given for free, a full replacement 6kg Calor Lite® cylinder.

Calor Gas Corporate Affairs Manager, Holly Sims, said:

'We would like to thank any affected customers for their understanding and co-operation and apologise for any inconvenience caused.

She added: 'Further information can be found at [www.calor.co.uk/recall](http://www.calor.co.uk/recall) and we have set up a dedicated 6kg Calor Lite® team who can be called on 0800 783 4141.'

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## **NOTES FOR EDITORS**

### **Calor Gas and Calor Lite®**

Calor Gas is a brand of butane and propane which is available in Britain in cylinder and bulk form. It comes in cylinders, which have a special gas regulator.

The company was formed in 1935, and is one of Britain's largest suppliers of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), servicing millions of homes and businesses.

In Britain, Calor is a pre-eminent supplier of LPG products to the UK marine sector.

It is part of the SHV Energy Group, a privately owned Dutch company. Calor covers a wide range of products for home, leisure, marine, business and automotive fuels.

The Calor Lite® was launched in 2008 as an innovative lightweight gas cylinder. It is a robust, and easily portable 6kg propane cylinder that is particularly suitable for the caravanning market.

**The BSS** is a public safety project owned jointly by the Canal & River Trust, registered as a charity with the charity number 1146792, and the Environment Agency. At least 14 other navigation and harbour authorities have also adopted it.

The navigation authorities' purposes for the Scheme are to help reduce the risks of fire, explosion and pollution on small craft.

This is done by promoting fire safety and pollution avoidance advice to help boat owners keep themselves and their crews' safe as well as regular examination of fuel systems, gas systems, electrical systems and appliances. The BSS is responsible for the administration and supervision of the BSS examination scheme.

**HOW TO IDENTIFY 6KG CALOR LITE® CYLINDERS FOR RECALL:**

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In a box adjacent to the words 'Property of Calor Gas Ltd' there are two letters, then two numbers which denote the year of manufacture i.e. 08, 09, 10, or 11, followed by one letter

**Cylinders to be recalled are 08, 09, 10, and 11.**

Illustration shows manufacture date of 2010 (i.e. AP 10 B)

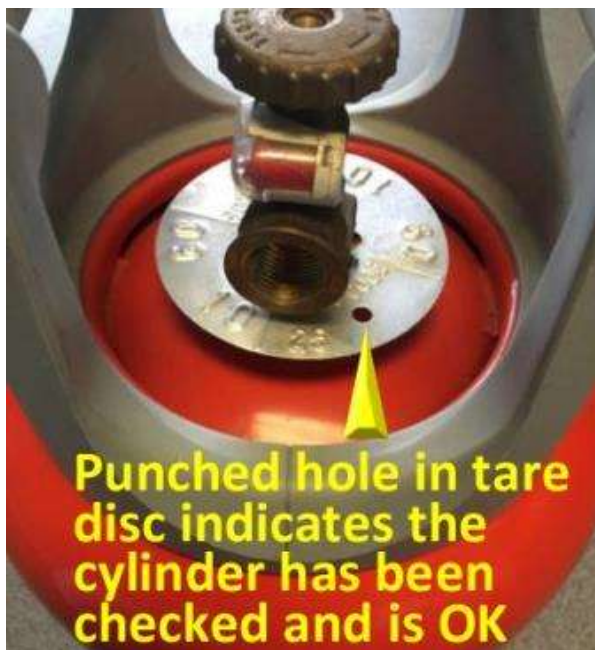


At the very bottom of the base ring the third row of text shows the date of manufacture i.e. 2008, 2009, 2010 or 2011.

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**CYLINDERS ALREADY TESTED AND CONFIRMED AS SAFE FOR USE:**



Please carefully examine the cylinder tare disc.

Any 6kg Calor Lite® cylinder which has already been recalled, tested, and confirmed as safe for use will have a small hole (5.5mm diameter) punched into the tare disc.

**These cylinders are safe to use.**

**They do not need to be returned to Calor, even if the date is 2008, 2009, 2010, or 2011.**

Illustration shows a hole punched in tare disc indicating cylinder has been inspected and tested and is safe to use