



## Using a Patio Heater Safely

As fall and winter temperatures drop you can still enjoy hosting your party on the patio. A patio heater can provide the warmth to keep you and your guests comfortable and allow you to enjoy your patio during the cooler months. Providing warmth and comfort for your guest is as important as the food and drinks you serve. When using a patio heater it is important that a few safety precautions be observed.

About propane, propane is invisible, odorless, and flammable. An odorant is normally added to help detect leaks and can be described as a “rotten egg” smell. The odorant can fade over time so leaking gas is not always detectable by smell alone.

Propane gas is heavier than air and leaking propane will sink to the lowest level possible. It can ignite by ignition sources including matches, lighters, sparks or open flames of any kind many feet away from the original leak. Use only propane gas set up for vapor with draw. Propane gas should be stored or used in compliance with local ordinances and codes or with ANSI/NFPA 58. Turn off propane when not in use.

### **For your safety if you smell gas:**

1. Shut off gas to the heater.
2. Extinguish flame.
3. If odor continues immediately call your gas supplier.
4. **(If you have rented your heater from us call us immediately.) All heaters are tested prior to delivery with the propane tanks that will accompany them.**

Never use a patio heater indoors.

Never use a patio heater in a confined space, unventilated or enclosed area.

### **Lighting the heater:**

The heater is equipped with a pilot light that allows for safer startups and shutdowns. Pilot must be lit before the main burner can be started.

1. Turn cylinder value on.
2. Open viewing hole by sliding cover to either side.
3. Push control knob and rotate to Pilot position.
4. For the initial start or after any cylinder change, hold the control knob in for 2 minutes to purge air from the gas lines before proceeding.
5. Push and release the igniter button until pilot flame is visible through viewing hole.
6. Release control knob after 30 to 60 seconds. Pilot light will remain lit. If not, return to step one.
7. Turn control knob counter clockwise for burner to light. Set for desired heat level and enjoy the warmth.