

## PUBLIC NOTICE

# Safety Requirements for LPG Cylinder Wholesalers and Retailers

The Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) hereby notifies all Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) retailers and wholesalers operating across the country and herein referred to as LPG Traders, of the stringent safety obligations under the Petroleum Act (Cap. 308), Laws of Kenya as read with the Petroleum (Liquefied Petroleum Gas) Regulations, 2025. In particular, the following requirements are emphasized:

- Operational License:** LPG Traders must possess a valid license from EPRA for the retail/wholesale of LPG in cylinders. LPG Traders must only offer for sale LPG cylinders for which they have obtained written consent from the legally registered brand owner and where such consent has been notified to EPRA. LPG Traders must also possess a valid fire certificate, a calibrated weighing scale and must issue a receipt bearing the particulars of the cylinder sold to each consumer.
- Adherence to set Safety Standards:** LPG Traders must ensure strict adherence to safe practices as outlined in the Kenya Standards: KS EAS 924-1: 2018 - Handling, storage, and distribution of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) in domestic, commercial, and industrial installations – Code of practice:- Part 1: Storage and filling sites for refillable LPG containers of capacity not exceeding 150 litres.
- Safe and Secure Cylinder Storage:** LPG cylinders shall be stored in a well-ventilated, secure, and designated area, protected from ignition sources and flammable materials. Full and empty cylinders must be clearly segregated.
- Safe Cylinder Transportation:** LPG cylinders shall be transported while upright. Special care shall be taken to prevent damage to the cylinders such as wear, defacement or loss of critical cylinder markings. Only 6 LPG cylinders of 6kg capacity or 4 of 13kg capacity shall be permitted on each two-wheeler during transportation.
- Safe Cylinder Stacking:** Stacking shall not exceed 4 cylinders for 6kg capacity LPG cylinders and 2 for 13kg capacity. Cylinders must be stacked securely to prevent accidental drops and shall be properly fitted with valve seals to prevent ingress of water or dust.
- Provision of Safety Information:** LPG Traders must provide clear safety information at the point of sale to act as a warning to members of the public. The signage shall include at least 2 sets of symbolic signs indicating that smoking or any ignition material is prohibited.
- Record Keeping:** LPG Traders must maintain records for each cylinder purchased and sold and which records must capture: the cylinder brand, serial numbers (both cylinder and seal), net weight, unit and total price indicating the cylinder deposit where applicable.

EPRA hereby directs all LPG traders to promptly comply with these requirements failure of which shall attract immediate enforcement action, including prosecution, fines, suspension, or revocation of the operating licenses.

### Reporting Non-Compliance

Members of the public are urged to play an active role in promoting safety. Please report any retailer or wholesaler suspected of operating in contravention of the LPG laws and regulations—such as illegal refilling, selling unsafe cylinders, improper storage, improper stacking, or operating without a valid EPRA license.

Members of the public are particularly encouraged to report any retail/ wholesale/ storage of LPG cylinders within residential areas, housing estates, or other non-designated premises, as such activities pose significant safety risks to occupants and neighbouring properties.

Reports may be made to EPRA through the following channels:

**Email: [info@epra.go.ke](mailto:info@epra.go.ke) Phone: +254 709 336 000**

Information provided will be handled with due regard to confidentiality.

EPRA is committed to ensuring a safe, reliable, and compliant LPG market for all Kenyans.