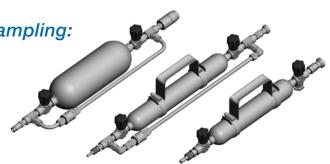


# SAMPLE CYLINDERS 101

Swagelok world-renowned Gas Grab Sampling Assemblies keep you safe, help control processing and operational costs, and deliver premium-quality product outputs

#### A. Know and master the 4 Basic Rules of Sampling:

- 1. The sample must represent the process
- 2. The sample must be timely
- 3. The sample must be pure
- 4. The sample must be safe



#### **B.** Choose the "right" **Sample Cylinder** for your Gas or Volatile Liquid application:

- Does it employ easily operable quick-connects for safe and efficient connecting/disconnecting from your sampling point?
- Does it have a smooth internal neck transition to help eliminate trapped fluid and enable easy cleaning?
- Will it provide adequate overpressure protection for optimum operator safety?
- Is it of the correct material composition and finish for the dangerous gases and/or liquids being sampled?
- Are bypass lines incorporated for purging toxic sample remnants?
- Is it designed and built to last, especially when samples must be transported long distances?

#### C. To safely and properly fill a Sample Cylinder:

- Use a vertical orientation
- For volatile liquids, fill from the bottom to the top; use an outage tube
- For gases, fill from the top down so any accumulated line condensation can be flushed out through the bottom





#### **D.** To best maintain your Sample Cylinders:

- Inspect and pressure test at least once per year
- Recertify every five years
- Are any key system components leaking to cause cylinder damage?
- Are there signs of corrosion due to compatibility issues with your sample?
- Are any internal surface conditions present...such as absorption?
- Is all overall system componentry properly installed?

### **Swagelok Grab Sampling Valve**

- Improves operator safety
- Reduces fluid system maintenance
- Enhances sample quality
- Minimizes potential for system leaks





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