



Tentative Interim Amendment

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Pursuant to Section 5 of the NFPA *Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards*, the National Fire Protection Association has issued the following Tentative Interim Amendment to NFPA 99, *Health Care Facilities Code*, 2018 edition. The TIA was processed by the Technical Committee on Medical Equipment and the Health Care Facilities Correlating Committee, and was issued by the Standards Council on April 10, 2018, with an effective date of April 30, 2018.

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1. *Revise 11.7.4 to read as follows:*

11.7.4 Maximum Quantity.

11.7.4.1 The maximum total quantity of liquid oxygen permitted in storage and in use in a patient bed location or patient care vicinity shall be 120 L (31.6 gal), provided that the patient bed location or patient care vicinity, or both, are separated from the remainder of the facility by fire barriers and horizontal assemblies having a minimum fire resistance rating of 1 hour in accordance with the adopted building code.

11.7.4.2 One liquid oxygen portable container (limited to 1.5 L (0.396 gal) capacity) per patient is permitted to be stored or used in a patient bed location or patient care vicinity without having to meet the fire separation requirements of 11.7.4.1.

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