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Helium Tank Rental

Please read all instructions and safety precautions below before using your Helium Tank Rental.

Inflating Latex Balloons

1. **Put the balloon on the nozzle:** Roll the opening of the balloon over the nozzle at the top of your Helium Tank Rental. Hold the balloon in place over the nozzle with your hand.
2. **Release the helium:** While holding the balloon firmly from the opening over the nozzle, press or bend the nozzle to quickly release helium into the balloon.
3. **Stop the release of helium:** When you've reached the size of balloon you want, stop bending the nozzle to stop the release of helium from the tank. DO NOT over-inflate the balloon as it may burst.
4. **Remove the balloon from the nozzle:** Pinch the end of the balloon and pull it off of the nozzle.
5. **Tie a Knot:** Tie the end of the balloon to keep the helium inside of the balloon. Tie a ribbon above the knot if required.

Inflating Foil or Mylar Balloons

1. **Put the balloon on the nozzle:** Find the opening of the balloon and gently slide it over the nozzle.
2. **Release the helium:** While holding the balloon firmly from the opening over the nozzle, press or bend the nozzle to release the helium into the balloon.
3. **Stop the release of helium:** When the foil or Mylar balloon looks *mostly* smooth, stop bending the nozzle to stop the release of helium. DO NOT over-inflate the balloons as they may pop.
4. **Seal the Opening:** Remove the balloon from the nozzle and pinch the opening of the balloon together flat. Most foil or Mylar balloons do not need to be tied at the end to seal or keep the helium inside as they are made with a self-sealing tab. However, please refer to the balloons packaging for sealing instructions.
5. **Add a Ribbon:** Add a ribbon through the hole provided or below the opening ONLY. If you tie a ribbon around the tab or opening, helium may escape from the balloon.

How to Deflate Foil or Mylar Balloons for Future Use

If properly and carefully deflated, some foil or Mylar balloons can be stored to use for future events. Follow the instructions below in a well-ventilated area if this is something you would like to try.

1. **Use a long, hollow balloon stick or drinking straw to release the helium from the balloon:** Carefully insert a hollow balloon stick or long drinking straw (8"+) into the balloon opening, past the self-sealing tab of the balloon. You'll feel and/or hear helium being released through the straw when you've passed the self-sealing tab. Once this happens, do not push any further as you may damage the balloon.
2. **Push helium out of the balloon through the stick or straw:** Gently apply pressure to the balloon to help the helium escape from the balloon while keeping the straw in place through the opening. As helium is escaping, gently fold or roll the balloon starting from the side farthest away from the opening to get all the helium out.
3. **Fold Your Balloon Flat:** Once all the helium is released, gently pull out the stick or straw and fold the balloon flat.
4. **Store the Balloon:** Store the balloon in a container where it will not be easily damaged. Keep the balloon indoors at room temperature. Do not expose the balloon to direct sunlight or heat as the balloon will get damaged and be unusable in the future.

Safety Precautions

Helium is a lighter-than-air, non-toxic, odorless, colorless, tasteless and nonflammable gas. However, caution MUST be used when handling Helium or any Helium Tank. Helium Tanks are large and heavy and require care and caution while in your possession. Improper or careless handling can cause Helium Tanks to fall over and burst, leading to possible damage of property, bodily injury to yourself and others. DO NOT leave Helium Tanks unattended around children, pets or others. Helium Tanks should not be used by children or impaired persons. Helium is an asphyxiant gas which means it could cause unconsciousness or death by suffocation if released in a confined space. Use Helium and Helium Tanks ONLY in a well-ventilated area. DO NOT inhale Helium as it can cause injury or death by displacing the oxygen in air, causing suffocation. DO NOT place or allow the Helium Tank Nozzle to be placed in your or any mouth or nose for any reason. Doing so can damage lungs and other body parts which can result in serious bodily injury or death. DO NOT expose any Helium Tank to direct heat or fire. The Helium in our Helium Tanks is intended to be used ONLY for inflating balloons. DO NOT refill any Helium Tanks with any other gas or substance or use them for anything other than its intended purpose. Please be aware balloons are a choking hazard. People, especially small children under 8 years old, can choke on uninflated or broken balloons. Keep uninflated balloons away from children and discard any broken balloons immediately. Responsible adult supervision is required when any Helium Tank Rental is included in your order and is the Renters' absolute responsibility.