

Helium

The Best Prices and Best Selection in Monterey County Since 1970

Balloons are Festive and Fun (NOTE: For lighter-than-air inflate with helium. For balloon "drop" use nitrogen.) Balloons can add to any party gathering: birthdays, graduations, receptions, or special events. They are an effective "attention getter." Balloons are a good way to add color and excitement, and an easy way to decorate for any occasion.

How many balloons will a helium cylinder inflate?

We usually ask this question the other-way-around: "How many balloons do you want to inflate?" and "How large are your balloons?" That's because there are different sizes of cylinders, each with a different capacity, and different sizes of balloons, each with a different capacity.

For example, we sell all colors of 11-inch latex balloons and also stock some 16-inch and 36-inch latex. In addition, we have an extensive selection of 18-inch and 26-inch Mylar balloons with various greetings and characters. Here are the relative capacities of each per cubic foot:

We are happy to guide you to the size helium cylinder that will meet your needs. We offer four different sizes of cylinders. The following chart estimates each cylinder's capacity to inflate 11-inch latex balloons:

Volume Per Balloon	Balloon Size
.50 C.F.	11 - Inch Latex
1.25 C.F.	16 - Inch Latex
14.14 C.F.	36 - Inch Latex
.44 C.F.	18 - Inch Mylar
1.50 C.F.	26 - Inch Mylar

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Cylinder Size	Pressure	Number of Balloons	Price
30 cubic ft.	1800 psi	60	CALL
59 cubic ft.	1800 psi	108	CALL
110 cubic ft.	2200 psi	220	CALL
244 cubic ft.	2400 psi	488	CALL

Of course, the number of balloons a cylinder ultimately inflates depends on how you fill each balloon. So, the preceding charts are merely a guide.

How much will it cost to rent the cylinder?

We offer seven days' free rental on our helium equipment. This is because we are closed on weekends and holidays (when most people need the equipment for an event). We hope seven days is enough time to pick up what you need, use it, and return it to us. Longer rentals are available for \$9.00 per month, per piece of equipment.

Do you charge a deposit?

We require a \$100.00 deposit per cylinder. We recommend a check or credit card. Deposits are "held" in a suspense file during the seven-day free rent period and returned to the customer upon equipment return.

Do you deliver?

We deliver Monday through Friday to established accounts in Monterey, Santa Clara, and San Benito Counties. A simple credit application is all it takes to open an account with us.

Is helium dangerous?

Any gas under pressure should be treated with respect. Always use cylinder caps when transporting large cylinders. But, helium itself is inert. This means it cannot combine with any other element. It is totally stable. However, do not allow anyone to inhale helium from cylinders or balloons. Rapid suffocation could occur, resulting in serious injury or even death.

We look forward to answering all of your questions and introducing you to the superior quality service at Peninsula Welding & Medical Supply your party supply store. CALL 831-899-2366