

Airgas Contracted Portfolio Effective Oct 1, 2026 ^[1]

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Be advised that effective **October 1, 2026**, Airgas will implement a scheduled price increase of 4.30% across our contracted portfolio. As part of our ongoing management of campus supplier agreements, we carefully review all proposed supplier changes against our contractual agreements.

Key Details

Effective Date: October 1, 2026

Adjustment Rate: 4.30%

Scope: General portfolio adjustment across contracted gases and supplies

Background & Market Rationale

Airgas has cited continuous cost pressures across its manufacturing and distribution infrastructure as the primary drivers for this adjustment.

These factors include:

Production & Energy Costs: Inflationary pressures on utilities and energy rates directly impacting atmospheric gas separation, purification, and bulk storage operations.

Logistics & Transportation: Increased expenses associated with freight, vehicle maintenance, and regulatory compliance to maintain supply chain reliability and timely campus deliveries.

Labor & Safety Standards: Escalating labor rates for specialized hazmat drivers, filling technicians, and safety compliance officers, alongside ongoing capital investments in cylinder testing and infrastructure.

We understand that any price increase impacts your research and departmental budgets. Our team will continue working closely with Airgas to ensure supply chain reliability, competitive pricing, and strict adherence to our contract terms.

If you have any questions regarding how this adjustment affects specific items or your departmental ordering, please reach out to Alicia Braveheart via email at Alicia.Braveheart@cu.edu ^[3].

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