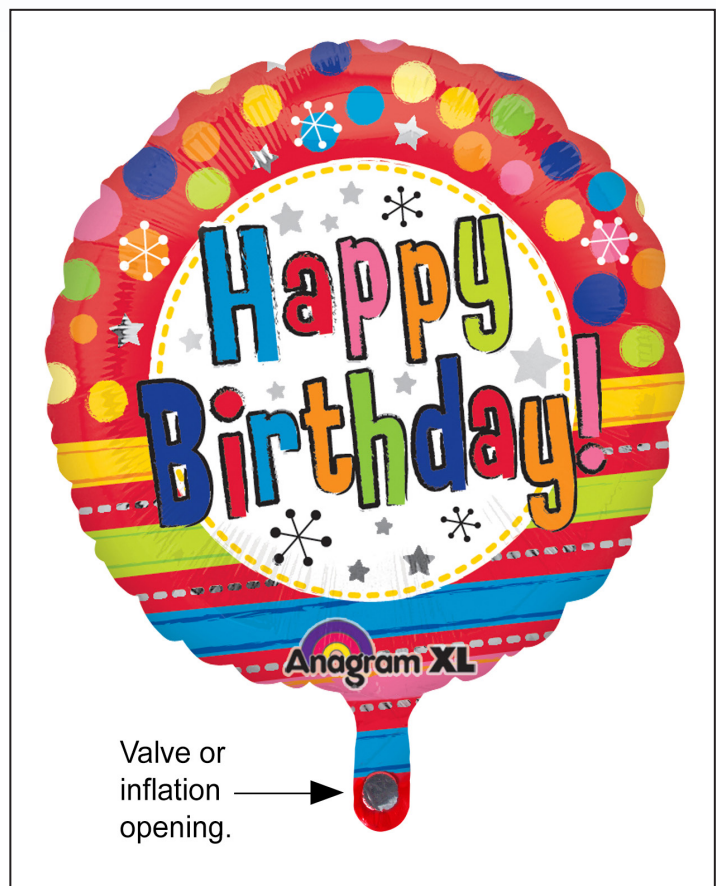


Inflating Balloons

Foil Balloons

Foil Balloon Inflation Steps:

1. Attach the weight to the opposite side of the inflation valve on the tail of the balloon by peeling the paper off the plastic tab and firmly pressing the adhesive to the tail of the balloon. This will prevent the balloon from floating away. If you are going to use ribbon, do NOT tie the ribbon around the inflation opening or a leak may occur. Tie the ribbon below the inflation opening.
2. There is a small valve or inflation opening in the tail of the foil balloon. Slide this opening onto the brass tip of the regulator until you have a tight fit.
3. Hold the neck of the foil balloon firmly around the brass tip with one hand and press down on the push valve to release the helium into balloon. If the regulator is installed with the tip on the bottom, simply slip neck of foil balloon into the tapered foil tip and push up on the push valve.
4. Inflate the balloon.
5. Your balloon regulator has an automatic shut-off device to prevent over inflation of foil balloons. When the balloon is full, the helium flow will begin to slow down or shut off automatically.
6. Release push valve and slide the balloon off the tip.
7. Foil balloons are self-sealing so once the balloon is removed from the tip, press the valve flat to seal.
8. A fully inflated foil balloon will have a smooth hard center with approximately 2" of wrinkles on the outside edges of the balloon.

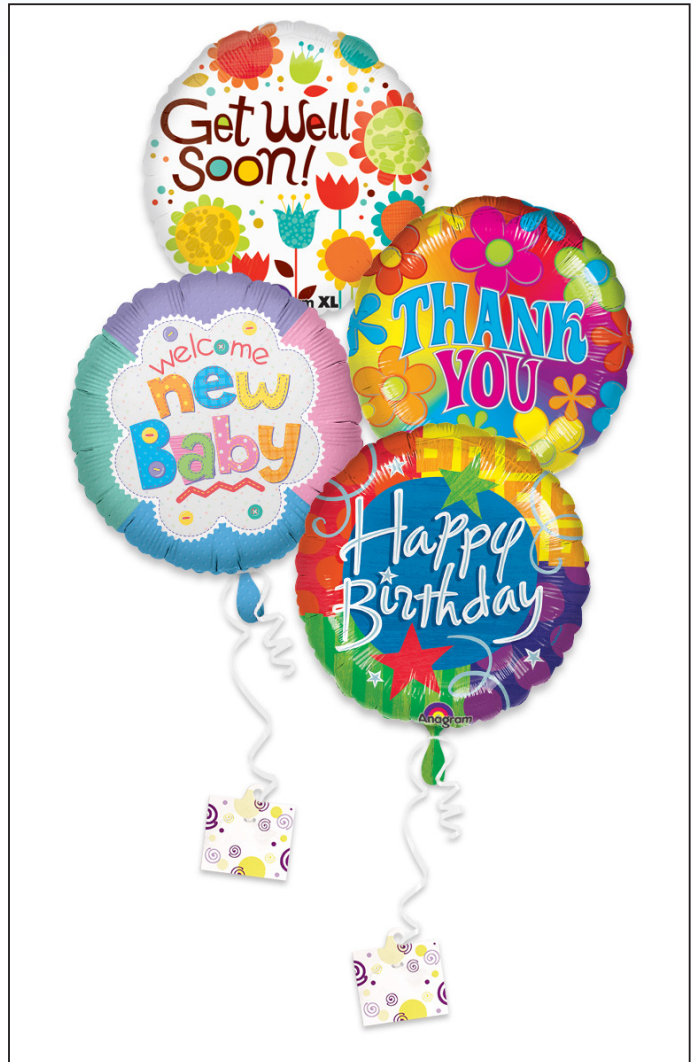


Inflating Balloons

Foil Balloons
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Foil Balloon Tips:

- Special shaped balloons need extra care when inflating. Inflate slowly and do not overfill.
- Temperature affects helium balloons: Keep outdoor conditions in mind when inflating balloons with helium. Helium is sensitive to hot and cold temperatures and will expand or contract in extreme temps. For example, a balloon inflated in a warm room and taken outside to very cold condition will seem to lose helium but when returned to normal temperatures it will expand back to its original shape. The opposite is true in hot weather conditions. If a balloon is inflated to the maximum size and taken outside to very hot conditions, it could burst from the expansion of helium.
- All foil balloons have self-sealing valves. Once a balloon is filled with helium and removed from the regulator, the self-sealing valve will automatically close.
- When attaching a sticky tab ribbon and weight to a foil balloon, we recommend attaching the tab to the opposite side of the inflation opening. Attaching the sticky tab to the side with the inflation valve would prevent proper re-inflation if the balloons should need refreshing.
- If you tie a ribbon to the balloon, be sure to tie it below the inflation opening. Ribbon tied above the inflation opening can cause helium to escape and would prevent proper re-inflation if the balloon would need refreshing.



Latex Balloon Inflation Steps:

1. Slip latex balloon over the large metal push valve until you have a tight fit.
2. Hold the neck of the latex balloon firmly around the push valve. Simply push down on valve to inflate balloon until it reaches desired size.
3. Release push valve and slide the balloon off the tip.
4. Tie a knot in tail of balloon. Your balloon is ready to add a ribbon and weight to prevent it from floating away.



Helium Usage

Foil Balloon Helium Usage

Standard Balloon - 0.5 cu ft.
Jumbo Balloon - 4.4 cu ft.
Sing A Tune Balloon - 4.4 cu ft.
Shape Balloon - 1 to 2 cu ft.

Latex Balloon Helium Usage

11" Balloon - 0.5 cu ft

Balloon Sales Tip:

Create grab and go balloons sales by pre-inflating balloons with weights and display them in key traffic areas:

- Inflate get well balloons and display by the pharmacy.
- Display in the card isle with like sentiment.
- Inflate birthday messages and display by the front check out.