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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Identification of the

: Argon (Refrigerated)

substance/preparation

Chemical formula : Ar

Other means of identification

: Argon (refrigerated), Cryogenic Liquid Argon, Liquid Argon, LAR

Use of the Substance/Mixture

: General Industrial. Industrial and professional use.

Restrictions on Use

: No data available.

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS classification

Gases under pressure - Refrigerated liquefied gas.

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms/symbols



Signal Word: Warning

Hazard Statements:

H281:Contains refrigerated gas; may cause cryogenic burns or injury.

Precautionary Statements:

Prevention : P282:Wear cold insulating gloves/face shield/eye protection.

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Response : P315 :Get immediate medical advice/attention.

P336: Thaw frosted parts with lukewarm water. Do not rub affected area.

Storage : P403:Store in a well-ventilated place.

Other hazards which do not result in classification

Extremely cold liquid and gas under pressure. Direct contact with liquid can cause frostbite.

Can cause rapid suffocation.

Avoid breathing gas.

Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) may be required.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance/Mixture : Substance

Components	Chemical formula	CAS Number	Concentration
			(Volume)
Argon	Ar	7440-37-1	100 %

Concentration is nominal. For the exact product composition, please refer to technical specifications.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice : Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self-contained breathing

apparatus. Keep victim warm and rested. Call a doctor. Apply artificial respiration

if breathing stopped.

Eye contact : In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek

medical advice.

Keep eye wide open while rinsing.

Skin contact : In case of frostbite, obtain medical treatment immediately. As soon as practical,

place the affected area in a warm water bath - which has a temperature not to exceed 40 °C (105 °F). Do not rub frozen parts as tissue damage may result.

Cover wound with sterile dressing.

Ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Inhalation : Move to fresh air. If breathing has stopped or is labored, give assisted

respirations. Supplemental oxygen may be indicated. If the heart has stopped, trained personnel should begin cardiopulmonary resuscitation immediately. In

case of shortness of breath, give oxygen.

Symptoms : Exposure to oxygen deficient atmosphere may cause the following symptoms:

Dizziness. Salivation. Nausea. Vomiting. Loss of mobility/consciousness.

Notes to physician

Treatment : If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

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Suitable extinguishing media : The product itself does not burn.

Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety

reasons.

Specific hazards

: Do not use water jet to extinguish.

: Spill will rapidly vaporize forming an oxygen deficient vapor cloud. Vapor cloud may obscure visibility. Do not direct water spray at container vent. Move away from container and cool with water from a protected position. Keep containers

and surroundings cool with water spray.

Special protective equipment

for fire-fighters

: Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary. Standard protective clothing and equipment (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire fighters. Standard EN 137 - Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full face mask. Standard EN 469 - Protective clothing for firefighters. Standard - EN 659: Protective gloves for firefighters.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions : Gas/vapor heavier than air. May accumulate in confined spaces, particularly at or

below ground level. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ventilate the area. Monitor oxygen level. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus when entering

area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe.

Environmental precautions : Prevent further leakage or spillage. Prevent from entering sewers, basements

and workpits, or any place where its accumulation can be dangerous. Do not

discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous.

Methods for cleaning up : Ventilate the area.

Additional advice : If possible, stop flow of product. Increase ventilation to the release area and

monitor oxygen level. Vapor cloud may obscure visibility. Do not spray water directly at leak. If leak is from cylinder or cylinder valve, call the emergency telephone number. If the leak is in the user's system, close the cylinder valve and

safely vent the pressure before attempting repairs.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling

Know and understand the properties and hazards of the product before use. Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle compressed gases/cryogenic liquids. Before using the product, determine its identity by reading the label. Do not remove or deface labels provided by the supplier for the identification of the cylinder contents. Before connecting the container, check the complete gas system for suitability, particularly for pressure rating and materials. Before connecting the container for use, ensure that back feed from the system into the container is prevented. Close container valve after each use and when empty, even if still connected to equipment. Never attempt to repair or modify container valves or safety relief devices. Damaged valves should be reported immediately to the supplier. If user experiences any difficulty operating cylinder valve discontinue use and contact supplier. Do not remove or interchange connections. Ensure the complete gas system has been checked for leaks before use. Prevent entrapment of cryogenic liquid in closed systems not protected with relief device. A small quantity of liquid produces large volumes of vaporized gas at atmospheric pressure. Containers used in shipment, storage, and transfer of cryogenic liquid are specially designed, well-insulated containers equipped with a pressure relief device and valves to control pressure. Under normal conditions, these containers will periodically vent product to limit pressure buildup. Ensure that the container is in a well–ventilated area to

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avoid creating an oxygen–deficient atmosphere. Use adequate pressure relief in systems and piping to prevent pressure buildup; liquid in a closed container can generate extremely high pressures when vaporized by warming. Employ suitable pressure regulating devices on all containers when the gas is being emitted to systems with lower pressure rating than that of the container. Only transfer lines designed for cryogenic liquids shall be used. Do not subject containers to abnormal mechanical shock. When moving cylinders, even for short distances, use a cart (trolley, hand truck, etc.) designed to transport cylinders. When doubt exists as to the correct handling procedure for a particular gas, contact the supplier.

Storage

Do not allow storage temperature to exceed 50°C (122°F). Containers should be stored in a purpose build compound which should be well ventilated, preferably in the open air. Full containers should be stored so that oldest stock is used first. Do not store in a confined space. Full and empty cylinders should be segregated. Store containers in location free from fire risk and away from sources of heat and ignition. Return empty containers in a timely manner. Stored containers should be periodically checked for general condition and leakage. Protect containers stored in the open against rusting and extremes of weather. Containers should not be stored in conditions likely to encourage corrosion. Cryogenic containers are equipped with pressure relief devices to control internal pressure. Under normal conditions these containers will periodically vent product. All vents should be piped to the exterior of the building. Observe all regulations and local requirements regarding storage of containers.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering measures

Natural or mechanical to prevent oxygen deficient atmospheres below 19.5% oxygen. Keep self-contained breathing apparatus readily available for emergency use.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection	:	Self contained breathing appara	itus (SCBA) or positive pressure airline with mask
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are to be used in oxygen-deficient atmosphere.

Air purifying respirators will not provide protection. Users of breathing apparatus

must be trained.

Hand protection : Wear work gloves when handling gas containers.

Standard EN 388 - Protective gloves against mechanical risk.

If the operation involves possible exposure to a cryogenic liquid, wear loose

fitting thermal insulated or cryo-gloves. Standard EN 511 - Cold insulating gloves.

Eye protection : Safety glasses recommended when handling cylinders.

Protect eyes, face and skin from liquid splashes.

Wear goggles and a face shield when transfilling or breaking transfer

connections.

Standard EN 166 - Personal eye-protection.

Skin and body protection : Never allow any unprotected part of the body to touch uninsulated pipes or

vessels which contain cryogenic fluids. The extremely cold metal will cause the

flesh to stick fast and tear when one attempts to withdraw from it. Safety shoes are recommended when handling cylinders.

Standard EN ISO 20345 - Personal protective equipment - Safety footwear.

Special instructions for protection and hygiene

: Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

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Remarks : Simple asphyxiant.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance : Liquefied gas. Colorless.

Odor : No odor warning properties.

Odor threshold : No data available.

pH : Not applicable.

Melting point/range : -309 °F (-189.3 °C)

Boiling point/range : -302 °F (-185.8 °C)

Flash point : Not applicable.

Evaporation rate : Not applicable.

Flammability (solid, gas) : Refer to product classification in Section 2

Upper/lower

explosion/flammability limit

: No data available.

Vapor pressure : Not applicable.

Water solubility : 0.0673 g/l

Relative vapor density : 1.38 (air = 1) Heavier than air.

Relative density : 1.4 (water = 1)

Partition coefficient:

n-octanol/water [log Kow]

: Not applicable.

Auto-ignition temperature : No data available.

Decomposition temperature : No data available.

Viscosity : Not applicable.

Molecular Weight : 39.95 g/mol

Density : 0.106 lb/ft3 (0.0017 g/cm3) at 70 °F (21 °C) Note: (as vapor)

Specific Volume : 9.68 ft3/lb (0.6043 m3/kg) at 70 °F (21 °C)

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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Chemical Stability : Stable under normal conditions.

Reactivity/Incompatible

Materials

: Materials such as carbon steel, low alloy carbon steel and plastic become brittle at low temperatures and are subject to failure. Use appropriate materials compatible with the cryogenic conditions present in refrigerated liquefied gas

systems.

Hazardous decomposition

products

: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products

should not be produced.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Likely routes of exposure

Effects on Eye : Contact with liquid may cause cold burns/frostbite.

Effects on Skin : Contact with liquid may cause cold burns/frostbite. May cause severe

frostbite.

In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Symptoms may include loss

of mobility/consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation. Asphyxiation may bring about unconsciousness without warning and so

rapidly that victim may be unable to protect themselves.

Ingestion Effects : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Symptoms : Exposure to oxygen deficient atmosphere may cause the following

symptoms: Dizziness. Salivation. Nausea. Vomiting. Loss of

mobility/consciousness.

Acute toxicity

Acute Oral Toxicity : No data is available on the product itself.

Inhalation : No data is available on the product itself.

Acute Dermal Toxicity : No data is available on the product itself.

Serious eye damage/eye

irritation

: No data available.

Sensitization. : No data available.

Chronic toxicity or effects from long term exposures

Carcinogenicity : No data available.

Reproductive toxicity : No data is available on the product itself.

Germ cell mutagenicity : No data is available on the product itself.

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Specific target organ systemic : No data available.

toxicity (single exposure)

Specific target organ systemic : No data available.

toxicity (repeated exposure)

Aspiration hazard : No data available.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity effects

Aquatic toxicity : Not applicable.

Toxicity to other organisms : Not applicable.

Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability : No data is available on the product itself.

Mobility : Because of its high volatility, the product is unlikely to cause ground pollution.

Bioaccumulation : Refer to Section 9 "Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)".

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste from residues / unused

products

: Return unused product in original cylinder to supplier. Contact supplier if guidance is required. Refer to the EIGA code of practice Doc. 30 "Disposal of Gases", downloadable at http://www.eiga.org for more guidance on suitable disposal methods. List of hazardous waste codes: 16 05 05: Gases in pressure

containers other than those mentioned in 16 05 04.

Contaminated packaging : Return cylinder to supplier.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

ADR

UN/ID No. UN1951

Proper shipping name ARGON, REFRIGERATED LIQUID

Class or Division Tunnel Code (C/E) Label(s) 2.2 ADR/RID Hazard ID no. 22 Marine Pollutant : No

IATA

UN/ID No. UN1951

Proper shipping name Argon, refrigerated liquid

Class or Division Label(s) 2.2

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Marine Pollutant : No

IMDG

UN/ID No. : UN1951

Proper shipping name : ARGON, REFRIGERATED LIQUID

Class or Division : 2.2
Label(s) : 2.2
Marine Pollutant : No
Segregation Group : None

RID

UN/ID No. : UN1951

Proper shipping name : ARGON, REFRIGERATED LIQUID

Class or Division : 2 Label(s) : 2.2 Marine Pollutant : No

Further Information

Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's compartment. Ensure vehicle driver is aware of the potential hazards of the load and knows what to do in the event of an accident or an emergency. The transportation information is not intended to convey all specific regulatory data relating to this material. For complete transportation information, contact customer service.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Workplace Safety and Health Act & Workplace Safety and Health (General Provisions) Regulations

Workplace Health and Safety Act, SS586 Labeling.

Country	Regulatory list	Notification
USA	TSCA	Included on Inventory.
EU	EINECS	Included on Inventory.
Canada	DSL	Included on Inventory.
Australia	AICS	Included on Inventory.
South Korea	ECL	Included on Inventory.
China	SEPA	Included on Inventory.
Philippines	PICCS	Included on Inventory.
Japan	ENCS	Included on Inventory.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Ensure all national/local regulations are observed.

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