

## **Section 1: Product and Company Identification**

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Product Code: Helium

### Section 2: Hazards Identification



Hazard Classification: Gases Under Pressure

Hazard Statements: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated

**Precautionary Statements** 

**Storage:** Protect from sunlight. Store in well-ventilated place.

### Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients



Chemical Substance	Chemical Family	Trade Names
HELIUM	Inorganic gases	HELIUM GAS; HELIUM COMPRESSED; HELIUM-4; ATOMIC HELIUM; UN 1046; He

### **Section 4: First Aid Measures**

Skin Contact	Eye Contact	Ingestion	Inhalation	Note to Physicians
Wash exposed skin with soap and water.	Flush eyes with plenty of water.	If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.	If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Get immediate medical attention.	For inhalation, consider oxygen.

# Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Products of Combustion	Protection of Firefighters
Non-flammable. Use suitable extinguishing media for surrounding fire.	Non-flammable	<ul> <li>Non-flammable</li> </ul>
		Non-flammable

### **Section 6: Accidental Release Measures**

Personal Precautions	Environmental Precautions	Methods for Containment
Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Stay	Avoid soil, waterways, drains	Stop leak if possible without
upwind and keep out of low areas.	and sewers	personal risk.

Methods for Cleanup	Other Information
Stop leak, evacuate area. Contact emergency personnel.	None

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

Handling	Storage
Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Subject to storage regulations:	Keep separated from incompatible
U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101.	substances.

### **Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

#### Exposure Guidelines

HELIUM: ACGIH (simple asphyxiant)

#### Engineering Controls Handle only in fully enclosed systems

Eye Protection	Skin Protection	Respiratory Protection
Eye protection not required, but recommended.	Protective clothing is not required.	Non-flammable

#### **General Hygiene considerations**

- Avoid breathing vapor or mist
- Avoid contact with eyes and skin
- Wash thoroughly after handling and before eating or drinking

## **Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

Physical State	Appearance	Color	Change in Appearance	Physical Form	Odor	Taste
Gas	Colorless	Colorless	N/A	Gas	Odorless	Tasteless

Flash Point	Flammability	Partition Coefficient	Autoignition Temperature	Upper Explosive Limits	Lower Explosive Limits
Not flammable	Not available	Not available	Nonflammable	Nonflammable	Nonflammable

Boiling Point	Freezing Point	Vapor Pressure	Vapor Density	Specific Gravity	Water Solubility	рН	Odor Threshold	Evaporation Rate	Viscosity
-452 F (-269 C)	-458 F (- 272 C) @ 26 atm	1719 mmHg @ -268 C	0.138 (Air=1)	Not applicable	0.94% @ 0 C	Not applicable	Not available	Not applicable	0.02012 cP @ 26.8 C

Molecular Weight	Molecular Formula	Density	Weight per Gallon	Volatility by Volume	Volatility	Solvent Solubility
4.0026	He	0.1785 g/L @ 0	Not available	100%	Not	Insoluble: Not
		С			applicable	available

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

Stability	Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible Materials
Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	No data available.

Hazardous Decomposition Products	Possibility of Hazardous Reactions
Miscellaneous decomposition products	Will not polymerize.

## Section 11: Toxicology Information

#### **Acute Effects**

Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation
Not available	Not available	Nausea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, irregular heartbeat, headache, fatigue, dizziness, disorientation, emotional disturbances, tingling sensation, loss of coordination, suffocation, convulsions, unconsciousness, coma

Eye Irritation	Skin Irritation	Sensitization
Liquid: frostbite, blurred vision	Liquid: frostbite	Difficulty breathing

#### **Chronic Effects**

Carcinogenicity	Mutagenicity	Reproductive Effects	Developmental Effects
Not available	Not available	Not available	No data

## Section 12: Ecological Information

#### Fate and Transport

Eco toxicity	Persistence / Degradability	<b>Bioaccumulation / Accumulation</b>	Mobility in Environment
Fish toxicity: Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
Invertibrate toxicity: Not available			
Algal toxicity: Not available			
Phyto toxicity: Not available			
Other toxicity: Not available			

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

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## **Section 14: Transportation Information**

#### U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101

Proper Shipping Name	ID Number	Hazard Class or Division	Packing Group	Labeling Requirements	Passenger Aircraft or Railcar Quantity Limitations	Cargo Aircraft Only Quantity Limitations	Additional Shipping Description
Helium,	UN1046	2.2	Not	2.2	75 kg or L	150 kg	N/A
compressed			applicable				

**Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods** 

Shipping Name	UN Number	Class	Packing Group / Risk Group
Helium, compressed	UN1046	2.2	Not applicable

## Section 15: Regulatory Information

**U.S. Regulations** 

<b>CERCLA Sections</b>	SARA 355.30	SARA 355.40
Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.

SARA 370.21

Acute	Chronic	Fire	Reactive	Sudden Release
Yes	No	No	No	Yes

SARA 372.65 Not regulated.

OSHA Process Safety Not regulated.

 State Regulations

 CA Proposition 65

 Not regulated.

Canadian Regulations WHMIS Classification

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**National Inventory Status** 

US Inventory (TSCA)	TSCA 12b Export Notification	Canada Inventory (DSL/NDSL)
Listed on inventory.	Not listed.	Not determined.

### **Section 16: Other Information**

NFPA Rating

HEALTH=0 FIRE=0 REACTIVITY=0

0 = minimal hazard, 1 = slight hazard, 2 = moderate hazard, 3 = severe hazard, 4 = extreme hazard