# Safety Data Sheet



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#### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Argon, Enriched Argon Product Name** 

Chemical Formula Ar Molecular Weight 39.95

CAS No. 7440-37-1 EC No. 209-170-2 UN No. UN1006

Recommended Use Compressed Gas

**Synonyms** Argon, Enriched Argon

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#### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### **Emergency Overview**

Simple asphyxiant

This product does not contain oxygen and may cause asphyxia if released in a confined area.

Maintain oxygen levels above 19.5%.

Nonflammable

NIOSH Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) **OSHA Regulatory Status** 

Identification Number: CF2300000

### **Potential Health Effects**

Principle Routes of Exposure: Inhalation

> **Eve Contact** Skin Contact

**Acute Toxicity** 

Inhalation Non-toxic simple asphyxiant. Effects of oxygen deficiency (<19.5%)

resulting from simple asphyxiants may include dizziness, drowsiness, rapid breathing, diminished mental alertness, impaired muscular coordination, faulty judgment, depression of all sensations, emotional instability. As asphyxiation progresses, nausea, vomiting, prostration and loss of consciousness may result, eventually leading to convulsions, coma and death. Oxygen deficiency during pregnancy has produced developmental abnormalities in humans and experimental animals.

EyesNone knownSkinNone knownIngestionNone knownSynergistic EffectsNone known

**NFPA Ratings:** (0 = Minimal; 1 = Slight; 2 = Moderate; 3 = Serious; 4 = Severe)

Health Hazard = 0 Flammability = 0 Reactivity = 0 Special Notice = Simple Asphyxiant



**HMIS Ratings:** (0 = Minimal; 1 = Slight; 2 = Moderate; 3 = Serious; 4 = Severe)

Health Hazard = 0

Flammability = 0

Physical Hazard = 0

HEALTH HAZARD	0
FLAMMABILITY	0
PHYSICAL HAZARD	0
PERSONAL PROTECTION	

**Note:** Ratings were assigned in accordance with Compressed Gas Association (CGA) guidelines as published in CGA Pamphlet P-19-2009, *CGA Recommended Hazard Ratings for Compressed Gases, 3rd Edition.* 

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Name: Argon

CAS No.: 7440-37-1

Volume %: >99%

Chemical Formula: Ar

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact Never introduce ointment or oil into the eyes without medical advice.

If pain is present, refer the victim to an ophthalmologist for treatment.

Skin Contact None anticipated. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Ingestion None under normal use. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Ingestion is unlikely, as product is a gas at room temperature.

Inhalation PROMPT MEDICAL ATTENTION IS MANDATORY IN ALL CASES OF

OVEREXPOSURE. RESCUE PERSONNEL SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS. Victims should be assisted to an uncontaminated area and inhale fresh air. Quick removal from the contaminated area is most important. Unconscious persons should be moved to an uncontaminated area, and if breathing has stopped, administer artificial resuscitation and supplemental oxygen.

Further treatment should be symptomatic and supportive.

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable Properties Not flammable

Suitable Extinguishing Media

None required. Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local

circumstances and the surrounding environment.

**Explosion Data** 

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact None Sensitivity to Static Discharge None

Specific Hazards Arising from None

the Chemical

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressuredemand, MSHA/NIOSH-approved or equivalent, full-protective gear.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions Evacuate all personnel from affected area. Use appropriate equipment.

Ensure adequate ventilation. Monitor oxygen level.

Environmental Precautions Prevent spreading of vapors through sewers, ventilation systems and

confined areas.

Methods for Containment Stop the flow of gas or remove cylinder to outdoor location if this can be

done without risk. If leak is in container or container valve, contact the

appropriate emergency telephone number listed in section 1.

Methods for Cleaning Up Return cylinder to ISOFLEX USA.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling Use only in well-ventilated areas. Valve protection caps must remain in

place unless container is secured with valve protection outlet piped to use point. Protect cylinders from physical damage: do not drag, slide or roll. When moving cylinders, even for a short distance, use a cart designed to transport cylinders. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure. Use a check valve or trap in the discharge line to prevent

hazardous backflow into the cylinder.

Never insert an object (e.g. wrench, screwdriver, pry bar, etc.) into valve cap openings. Doing so may damage valve, causing leak to occur. Use a pressure-reducing regulator when connecting cylinder to lower pressure (<3000 psig) piping or systems. Do not heat cylinder by any means to increase the discharge rate of product from the cylinder.

Use an adjustable strap wrench to remove over-tight or rusted caps. Close valve after each use and when empty. If user experiences any difficulty operating cylinder valve, discontinue use and contact supplier.

Never put cylinders into trunks of cars or in unventilated areas of passenger vehicles. Never attempt to refill a compressed gas cylinder without the owner's written consent. Never strike an arc on a compressed gas cylinder or make a cylinder a part of an electrical circuit.

Keep out of the reach of children.

Storage Protect cylinders from physical damage. Store in cool, dry, well-

ventilated area of non-combustible construction, away from heavily trafficked areas and emergency exits. Do not allow the temperature where cylinders are stored to exceed 125 °F (52 °C). Cylinders should be stored upright and firmly secured to prevent falling or being knocked over. Use a "first in-first out" inventory system to prevent full cylinders from being stored for excessive periods of time. Full and empty cylinders should be segregated. Always store and handle compressed gas cylinders in accordance with Compressed Gas Association, pamphlet CGA-P1, Safe Handling of Compressed Gases in Containers.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Guidelines This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational

exposure limits established by the region-specific regulatory bodies.

Engineering Measures Local exhaust to prevent accumulation of high concentrations that would

reduce the oxygen level in the air to less than 19.5%.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/Face Protection Wear protective eyewear (safety glasses) appropriate for the job.

Skin and Body Protection Protective gloves and safety shoes are recommended when handling

cylinders.

**Respiratory Protection** 

General Use No special protective equipment required.

Emergency Use Positive pressure air line with full-face mask and escape bottle or self-

contained breathing apparatus should be available for emergency use in

oxygen-deficient atmospheres (<19.5%).

Hygiene Measures Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### **Appearance**

Form Gas
Color Colorless
Odor Odorless

Safety Data

pH No data available Freezing Point -308.9 °F / -189.4 °C Flash Point No data available Boiling Point -302.6 °F / -185.9 °C Vapor Pressure No data available

Vapor Density (Air=1) 1.38

Evaporation Point No data available Specific Gravity No data available

Solubility in Water Slight

Odor Threshold No data available

Flammability Limits in Air

Upper Not applicable Lower Not applicable

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability Stable
Incompatible Materials None known
Conditions to Avoid None known
Hazardous Polymerization Does not occur

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## **Acute Toxicity**

LD50 OralNo information availableLD50 DermalNo information availableLC50 InhalationNo information availableRepeated Dose ToxicityNo information available

### **Chronic Toxicity**

Chronic Toxicity None known

Carcinogenicity Contains no ingredient listed as a carcinogen.

Irritation
Sensitization
Reproductive Toxicity
Teratogenicity
No information available
No information available
No information available
No information available

Developmental Toxicity Oxygen deficiency during pregnancy has produced developmental

abnormalities in humans and experimental animals.

Synergistic Materials None known Target Organ Effects None known

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

The environmental impact of this product has not been fully investigated. No negative impacts known.

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Methods Do not attempt to dispose of residual waste or unused quantities. Return

in the shipping container PROPERLY LABELED, WITH ANY VALVE OUTLET PLUGS OR CAPS SECURED AND VALVE PROTECTION

CAP IN PLACE, to ISOFLEX USA for proper disposal.

### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### DOT

Proper Shipping Name Argon, compressed

Hazard Class 2.2 Subsidiary Class None UN No. UN 1006

Description UN 1006, Argon, compressed, 2.2

Shipping Label Nonflammable Gas

### IATA

UN No. UN 1006

Proper Shipping Name Argon, compressed

Hazard Class 2.2

Description UN 1006, Argon, compressed, 2.2

Maximum Quantity for 200

Passenger

Maximum Quantity for 200

Cargo Only

### TDG

Proper Shipping Name Argon, compressed

Hazard Class 2.2 UN No. UN 1006

Description UN 1006, Argon, compressed, 2.2

### **MEX**

Proper Shipping Name Argon, compressed

Hazard Class
UN No.
2.2
UN 1006

Description UN 1006, Argon, compressed, 2.2

### IMDG/IMO

Proper Shipping Name Argon, compressed

Hazard Class 2.2 UN No. UN 1006 EmS No. F-C, S-V

Description UN 1006, Argon, compressed, 2.2

### **ADR**

Proper Shipping Name Argon, compressed

Hazard Class 2.2 UN No. UN 1006 Classification Code 1A

Tunnel Restriction Passage forbidden through tunnels of category E

Description UN 1006, Argon, compressed, 2.2

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### International Inventories

TSCA Complies
DSL Complies
EINECS / ELINCS Complies

### Legend

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

No

DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

### **U.S. Federal Regulations**

SARA 313 Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and

Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and

Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372.

SARA 311/312

Acute Health Hazard No
Chronic Health Hazard No
Fire Hazard No
Sudden Release of Pressure Yes

Hazard
Reactive Hazard

Clean Water Act

Risk and Process Safety Management Programs This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and CFR 122.42).

This material, as supplied, does not contain any regulated substances with specified thresholds under 40 CFR Part 68. This product does not contain any substances regulated as Highly Hazardous Chemicals pursuant to the 29 CFR Part 1910.110.

Clean Air Act, Section 112
Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)
(see 40 CFR 61)

This product does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous air pollutants (HAPs) under Section 112 of the Clean Air Act

Amendments of 1990.

CERCLA/SARA

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional or state level pertaining to releases of this material.

**U.S. State Regulations** 

**California Proposition 65**: This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

Connecticut Carcinogen Reporting: This material is not listed.

Connecticut Hazardous Material

This material is not listed.

Survey:

Florida substances: This material is not listed.

Illinois Chemical Safety Act: This material is not listed.

**Illinois Toxic Substances** 

Disclosure to Employee Act:

Louisiana Reporting:

This material is not listed.

Michigan Critical Material:

Minnesota Hazardous Substances:

New Jersey Hazardous Substances:

This material is not listed.

This material is listed.

This material is not listed.

This material is not listed.

**New Jersey Toxic Catastrophe** 

Prevention Act: This material is not listed.

**New York Acutely Hazardous** 

**Substances**: This material is not listed.

**New York Toxic Chemical Release** 

Reporting: This material is not listed.

Pennsylvania RTK Hazardous

Substances: This material is listed.

Rhode Island Hazardous Substances: This material is not listed.

International Regulations

Canada: This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard

criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the SDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

# 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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### ISOFLEX USA's Commonly Used Abbreviations and Acronyms\*

ACGIH American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

ADR European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

ALARA As Low As Is Reasonably Achievable

AMU Atomic Mass Unit

ANSI American National Standards Institute

BLS Basic Life Support
CAM Continuous Air Monitor

CAS Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

CEN European Committee for Standardization

CERCLA Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act

CLP Classification, Labelling and Packaging (European Union)

CPR Controlled Products Regulations (Canada)

CWA Clean Water Act (USA)

DAC Derived Air Concentration (USA)

DOE United States Department of Energy (USA)

DOT United States Department of Transportation (USA)

DSL Domestic Substances List (Canada) EC50 Half Maximal Effective Concentration

EINECS European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

EHS Environmentally Hazardous Substance

ELINCS European List of Notified Chemical Substances

EMS Emergency Response Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods

EPA Environmental Protection Agency (USA)

EPCRA Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA) of 1986

GHS Globally Harmonized System

HMIS Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)
IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer

IATA International Air Transport Association

IBC Intermediate Bulk Containers

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization
IDLH Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

IMDG International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

LC50 Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50 Lethal dose, 50 percent

LDLO Lethal Dose Low

LOEC Lowest-Observed-Effective Concentration

MARPOL International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

MSHA Mine Safety and Health Administration (USA)

NCRP National Council on Radiation Protection & Measurements (USA)

NDSL Non-Domestic Substances List (Canada)
NFPA National Fire Protection Association (USA)

NIOSH National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (USA)

NOEC No Observed Effect Concentration

N.O.S. Not Otherwise Specified

NRC Nuclear Regulatory Commission (USA)
NTP National Toxicology Program (USA)

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration (USA)
PBT Persistent Bioaccumulative and Toxic Chemical

PEL Permissible Exposure Limit
PIH Poisonous by Inhalation Hazard

RCRA Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (USA)

RCT Radiation Control Technician

REACH Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (Europe)
RID Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail

RTECS Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances
SARA Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (USA)

TDG Transportation of Dangerous Goods (Canada)

TIH Toxic by Inhalation Hazard

TLV Threshold Limit Value
TPQ Threshold Planning Quantity
TSCA Toxic Substances Control Act
TWA Time Weighted Average
UN United Nations (Number)
VOC Volatile Organic Compound

vPvB Very Persistent Very Bioaccumulative Chemical

WGK Wassergefährdungsklassen (Germany: Water Hazard Classes)

WHMIS Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

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