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Section 1 - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Material Name ARGON, COMPRESSED Synonyms ARGON; UN 1006; AR **Chemical Family** non-metallic **Product Use** Industrial and Specialty Gas Applications. **Restrictions on Use** None known. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet POLAR CRYOGENICS 2734 SE Raymond Portland, OR 97202 Phone: (800) 426-0689 Emergency Phone #: Outside the US: 703-527-3887 (Call collect) Fax: 1-800-424-9300 (CHEMTREC)

## Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification in accordance with paragraph (d) of 29 CFR 1910.1200. Gases Under Pressure - Compressed gas Simple Asphyxiant GHS Label Elements Symbol(s)



Signal Word Warning
Hazard Statement(s)
Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.
May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.
Precautionary Statement(s)
Prevention
None needed according to classification criteria.
Response
None needed according to classification criteria.
Storage
Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.
Disposal
Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
Other Hazards

The rapid release of compressed gas may cause frostbite. May cause asphyxia.

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	Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES		

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.

#### Skin

Wash exposed skin with soap and water.

#### Eyes

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.

#### Ingestion

If swallowed, get medical attention.

Most Important Symptoms/Effects

# Acute

Frostbite, suffocation

## Delayed

No information on significant adverse effects.

## Note to Physicians

For inhalation, consider oxygen.

## Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

#### **Extinguishing Media**

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical, Large fires: Use regular foam or flood with fine water spray.

#### Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

None known.

#### Special Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Negligible fire hazard. Pressurized containers may rupture or explode if exposed to sufficient heat.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

None known.

## Fire Fighting Measures

Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk. Cool containers with water spray until well after the fire is out. Stay away from the ends of tanks. Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety device or any discoloration of tanks due to fire. For tank, rail car or tank truck, evacuation radius: 800 meters (1/2 mile).

#### Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

Wear personal protective clothing and equipment such as self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for protection against possible exposure.

## Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

## Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Wear personal protective clothing and equipment, see Section 8.

#### Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up

Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Use water spray to reduce vapors or divert vapor cloud drift. Avoid allowing water runoff to contact spilled material. Do not direct water at

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spill or source of leak. If possible, turn leaking containers so that gas escapes rather than liquid. Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements, or confined areas. Allow substance to evaporate. Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Stay upwind and keep out of low areas. Ventilate closed spaces before entering. **Environmental Precautions** 

#### Avoid release to the environment.

## Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### **Precautions for Safe Handling**

Avoid breathing gas. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after handling.

#### Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101. Keep separated from incompatible substances.

# **Incompatible Materials**

No data available.

## Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Component Exposure Limits**

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ACGIH:	(See Appendix F: Minimal Oxygen Content )				

## ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)

There are no biological limit values for any of this product's components.

## **Engineering Controls**

Provide local exhaust ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

#### Individual Protection Measures, such as Personal Protective Equipment

### Eye/face protection

For the gas: Eye protection not required, but recommended.

#### **Skin Protection**

For the gas: Protective clothing is not required.

## **Respiratory Protection**

Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

#### **Glove Recommendations**

For the gas: Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

#### **Protective Materials**

For the gas: Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

# Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	Not available	Physical State	gas
Odor	odorless	Color	colorless
Odor Threshold	Not available	рН	Not available
Melting Point	-189 °C (-308 °F )	Boiling Point	-186 °C (-303 °F )
Boiling Point Range	Not available	Freezing point	Not available

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Evaporation Rate	Not available	Flammability (solid, gas)	Not available	
Autoignition Temperature	Not available	Flash Point	Not available	
Lower Explosive Limit	Not available	Decomposition temperature	Not available	
Upper Explosive Limit	Not available	Vapor Pressure	500 mmHg @ -190 °C	
Vapor Density (air=1)	1.38	Specific Gravity (water=1)	Not available	
Water Solubility	3.36 % (@ 20 °C )	Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	Not available	
Viscosity	0.0225 cp	Kinematic viscosity	Not available	
Solubility (Other)	Not available	Density	1.784 g/L at 0 °C	
Physical Form	gas	Taste	tasteless	
Molecular Formula	AR	Molecular Weight	39.948	

Solvent Solubility Soluble

organic solvents

# Section 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### Reactivity

No reactivity hazard is expected. **Chemical Stability** Stable at normal temperatures and pressure. **Possibility of Hazardous Reactions** Will not polymerize. **Conditions to Avoid** Protect from physical damage and heat. Containers may rupture or explode if exposed to heat. **Incompatible Materials** No data available. **Hazardous decomposition products** No data available.

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# Information on Likely Routes of Exposure

Inhalation

nausea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, irregular heartbeat, headache, dizziness, Disorientation, mood swings, tingling sensation, loss of coordination, suffocation, convulsions, Unconsciousness, coma Skin Contact Frostbite Eye Contact Frostbite, blurred vision Ingestion ingestion of a gas is unlikely

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Acute and Chronic Toxicity **Component Analysis - LD50/LC50** The components of this material have been reviewed in various sources and no selected endpoints have been identified. **Product Toxicity Data Acute Toxicity Estimate** No data available. **Immediate Effects** Frostbite, suffocation **Delayed Effects** No information on significant adverse effects. Irritation/Corrosivity Data No data available. **Respiratory Sensitization** No data available. **Dermal Sensitization** No data available. **Component Carcinogenicity** None of this product's components are listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, DFG or OSHA. Germ Cell Mutagenicity No data available. **Tumorigenic Data** No data available **Reproductive Toxicity** No data available. Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure No information on significant adverse effects. Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure No information on significant adverse effects. Aspiration hazard No data available. Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure No data available.

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Component Analysis - Aquatic Toxicity No LOLI ecotoxicity data are available for this product's components. Persistence and Degradability This substance is not expected to biodegrade. Bioaccumulative Potential No information available for the product. Mobility No information available for the product.

## Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### **Disposal Methods**

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

## **Component Waste Numbers**

The U.S. EPA has not published waste numbers for this product's components.

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# Section 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION

US DOT Information: Shipping Name: ARGON, COMPRESSED Hazard Class: 2.2 UN/NA #: UN1006 Required Label(s): 2.2

### **TDG Information:**

Shipping Name: ARGON, COMPRESSED Hazard Class: 2.2 UN#: UN1006 Required Label(s): 2.2 International Bulk Chemical Code

This material does not contain any chemicals required by the IBC Code to be identified as dangerous chemicals in bulk.

## Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

None of this product's components are listed under SARA Sections 302/304 (40 CFR 355 Appendix A), SARA Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65), CERCLA (40 CFR 302.4), TSCA 12(b), or require an OSHA process safety plan.

#### SARA Section 311/312 (40 CFR 370 Subparts B and C) reporting categories

Gas Under Pressure; Simple Asphyxiant

#### **U.S. State Regulations**

The following components appear on one or more of the following state hazardous substances lists:

Component	CAS	CA	MA	MN	NJ	PA
ARGON, COMPRESSED	7440-37-1	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

## California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act (Proposition 65)

Not listed under California Proposition 65.

## **Component Analysis - Inventory**

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US	CA	AU	CN	EU	JP - ENCS	JP - ISHL	KR KECI - Annex 1	KR KECI - Annex 2
Yes	DSL	Yes	Yes	EIN	Yes	No	Yes	No

KR - REACH CCA	MX	NZ	PH	TH-TECI	TW	VN (Draft)
No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

## Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

## **NFPA Ratings**

Health: 0 Fire: 0 Instability: 0 Other: SA Hazard Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe **Summary of Changes** Updated: 12/13/2016

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#### Key / Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists; ADR - European Road Transport; AU -Australia; BOD - Biochemical Oxygen Demand; C - Celsius; CA - Canada; CA/MA/MN/NJ/PA -California/Massachusetts/Minnesota/New Jersey/Pennsylvania\*; CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service; CERCLA -Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; CFR - Code of Federal Regulations (US); CLP - Classification, Labelling, and Packaging; CN - China; CPR - Controlled Products Regulations; DFG -Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft; DOT - Department of Transportation; DSD - Dangerous Substance Directive; DSL - Domestic Substances List; EC - European Commission; EEC - European Economic Community; EIN -European Inventory of (Existing Commercial Chemical Substances); EINECS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances; ENCS - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substance Inventory; EPA -Environmental Protection Agency; EU - European Union; F - Fahrenheit; F - Background (for Venezuela Biological Exposure Indices); IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IDL - Ingredient Disclosure List; IDLH -Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; ISHL - Japan Industrial Safety and Health Law; IUCLID - International Uniform Chemical Information Database; JP - Japan; Kow - Octanol/water partition coefficient; KR KECI Annex 1 - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory (KECI) / Korea Existing Chemicals List (KECL); KR KECI Annex 2 - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory (KECI) / Korea Existing Chemicals List (KECL), KR - Korea; LD50/LC50 - Lethal Dose/ Lethal Concentration; KR REACH CCA - Korea Registration and Evaluation of Chemical Substances Chemical Control Act; LEL - Lower Explosive Limit; LLV - Level Limit Value; LOLI - List Of LIsts™ - ChemADVISOR's Regulatory Database; MAK - Maximum Concentration Value in the Workplace; MEL - Maximum Exposure Limits; MX - Mexico; Ne- Non-specific; NFPA - National Fire Protection Agency; NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health; NJTSR - New Jersey Trade Secret Registry; Nq - Non-quantitative; NSL - Non-Domestic Substance List (Canada); NTP -National Toxicology Program; NZ - New Zealand; OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration; PEL-Permissible Exposure Limit; PH - Philippines; RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; REACH-Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation, and restriction of Chemicals; RID - European Rail Transport; SARA -Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; Sc - Semi-guantitative; STEL - Short-term Exposure Limit; TCCA - Korea Toxic Chemicals Control Act; TDG - Transportation of Dangerous Goods; TH-TECI - Thailand -FDA Existing Chemicals Inventory (TECI); TLV - Threshold Limit Value; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act; TW - Taiwan; TWA - Time Weighted Average; UEL - Upper Explosive Limit; UN/NA - United Nations /North American; US - United States; VLE - Exposure Limit Value (Mexico); VN (Draft) - Vietnam (Draft); WHMIS -Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada).

### **Other Information**

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