

# R-454B Refrigerant

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# International

# **Montreal Protocol (1987)**

- Phaseout of Chlorofluorocarbons used in new equipment manufacturing (CFCs) by 2010
- Phaseout of ozone depleting substances (ODS), leading a shift to hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)
- New production and import of virgin HCFC-22 will be phased out in North America by 2020

# Kigali Amendment (2016) to the Montreal Protocol

- Phasedown of production and consumption of HFCs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- Effective in January 2019 where ratified
- More than 90 countries have ratified (including Canada and the U.S., as of September 2022)
- Driving global transition to lower global warming potential (GWP) solutions.

# U.S. Federal

# Significant New Alternative Policy (SNAP)

- The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) made certain HFCs unacceptable for use in SNAP Rules 20 (2016) and 21 (2017).
- However, SNAP Rules 20 and 21 were partially vacated by the D.C. Circuit Court; the EPA is reviewing the court decision. The industry awaits the EPA rewrite, expected in 2023.
- Despite being vacated at the federal level, states may choose to adopt and set their own timeline for the implementation of rules. For further details, visit EPA.gov/SNAP.



# Refrigerant Management (Clean Air Act, Section 608)

- In 2016, the EPA extended the refrigerant management program to include HFCs (40 CFR Part 82, Subpart F, under Section 608 of the Clean Air Act).
- The EPA signed a rule in February 2020 that rescinded some parts of the program, including the extension of leak repair provisions to appliances using HFCs.
- This rule did not rescind other parts affecting HFCs, such as sales restriction or requirements for technician certification, for safe disposal, recovery, and reclamation.
- Likewise, this rule does not affect the requirements for equipment containing ozone depleting substances. For more information, visit EPA.gov/Section608.

# U.S. Federal

# American Innovation and Manufacturing (AIM) Act

- On December 27th, 2020, the AIM Act was signed into law, allowing for a federal phasedown of the production and consumption of HFCs, with implementation dates yet to be developed by the EPA.
- The phasedown will be managed through an allocation program, and the schedule will mirror the schedule proposed in the Kigali amendment.
- This legislation grants the EPA the authority to establish standards for recovery and reclamation of HFCs.
- The Aim Act authorizes the EPA to facilitate transitions to next-generation technologies by establishing sector-based use case restrictions.
- Implementation could create significant economic and new employment benefits.

# Canada

# Amendments to the Ozone-Depleting Substances and Halocarbon Alternatives Regulations (ODSHAR)

- Phasedown of HFCs in alignment with Kigali Amendment
- Product-specific refrigerant GWP limits for new equipment.
- Existing equipment, service, and retrofit are not impacted by product-specific controls.
- Effective as of April 2018
- Visit laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations for more information.



15% of HCFCs in 2011, 2012, and 2013.

# **U.S. State-Level Activity**

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# Why R-454B Refrigerant?

In May, of 2021, Johnson Controls, the global leader in smart, healthy, and sustainable buildings, chose to provide R-454B as the future refrigerant solution for their ducted residential and commercial HVAC products, as well as its air-cooled scroll chiller applications. This decision supports Johnson Controls sustainability goals in transitioning away from the use of high Global Warming Potential (GWP) refrigerants, such as R-410A, reinforcing their commitment to addressing climate change and lowering customers' emissions.

R-454B is a low GWP (AR4: 466). The AR4: 466 is a report that was defined as the ratio of the time integrated, radiative forcing from the instantaneous release of 1 kg of a trace substance relative to that of 1 kg of a reference gas (IPCC, 1990). R-454B is a non-ozone depleting refrigerant that offers a 78% reduction in GWP while improving energy efficiency and lowering charge size when compared to R-410A. This refrigerant offers Johnson Controls the ability to achieve their long-term carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emission reduction goals and requires minimal design modifications due to its similar operating temperature and pressure to R-410A. R-454B provides the optimal balance of performance, safety, and longevity for future air conditioning applications.

Future regulatory requirements on CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction will stimulate the transition to lower GWP refrigerants. R-454B has the lowest EPA SNAP approved GWP for unitary applications of all ASHRAE classified A2L (low-toxicity, mild flammability) refrigerants in the HVAC industry today much lower than the pending 750 GWP limits being proposed. It is compatible with plastic and elastomer materials and POE oil that will minimize working capital design changes and enable an easier transition from a R-410A platform.

This decision was made as the HVAC industry is preparing to phase out high-GWP refrigerants, which are now being formally addressed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) through the recently passed American Innovation and Manufacturing (AIM) Act (http://www.epa.gov/climate-hfcs-reduction/aim-act).

# **A2L Refrigerant Characteristics**

R-454B has been a mildly flammable low global warming potential (GWP) hydrofluoroolefin (HFO) based refrigerant to replace R-410A in new equipment designs. R-454B offers the optimal balance of properties to replace R-410A in positive displacement, direct expansion air conditioning, heat pump and chiller applications, or other end-uses where R-410A has historically been used. R-454B is the lowest GWP solution for R-410A-like replacement (78% reduction) and provides improved performance. R-454B offers similar properties to R-410A which makes it easy and cost-effective to apply in new equipment without major modifications. R-454B is classified as a lower flammability (ISO/ ASHRAE class 2L) refrigerant. R-454B is a blend of two refrigerants, 69.1% R-32 and 31.1% R-1234yf. Always check your newest local regulations and Standards such as UL, IEC, or ASHRAE to verify the allowable system charge, new equipment design and safe handling requirements for the intended application.



Note

R-454B has an ISO 817 refrigerant classification of A2L. The A2L rating consists of the toxicity of the refrigerant and the flammability of the refrigerant.

Propane	A3	B3	Higher Flammabilty
	A2	B2	Flammable
R-454B	A2L	B2L	Lower Flammability
R-410A	A1	B1	Non-Flammable
	Lower Toxicity	Higher Toxicity	-

# ISO 817 Refrigerant Classification Scheme

# Benefits of Using R-454B

- Lowest GWP replacement for R-410A (reduction of 78%)
- Comparable capacity and improved efficiency compared to R-410A.
- Excellent performance in normal and high ambient conditions.
- Very close match to R-410A easily convertible from R-410A design with minimal changes.
- Very low temperature glide can be topped off after leaks.
- Lower toxicity and lower flammability (ISO/ASHRAE 34 A2L).
- Miscible with POE lubricant.

# A2L Refrigerants and Global Warming Potential (GWP)

Refrigerant	GWP	Applications
R-454B	676	R-410A Replacement
R-32	675	R-410A Replacement
R-447A	>500	R-410A Replacement
R-454B	466	R-410A Replacement

# Properties of R-454B

ASHRAE Number	R-454B
Composition Weight %	R-32/R-1234yf 68.9/31.1
Molecular Weight	62.6 g/mol
Boiling Point at 1 atm (101.3 kPa / 14.7 psia)	-50.5 ¢(-59.6 F)
Critical Pressure kPa (psia)	5266.9 kPa (763.9 psia)
Critical Temperature °C (°F)	78.1 C (172.6 F)
Liquid Density at 21.1 °C (70 °F)	1001.1 kg/m^3 (62.5 lb/ft^3)
Ozone Depletion Potential (CFC-11 = 1.0)	0
AR4 (AR5) GWP (CO <sub>2</sub> = 1.0)	466 (467)
ASHRAE Safety Classification	A2L
Temperature Glide (°C/°F)	-1.5 C/ -2.7 F
LFL (based on WCF flammability)	0.303 kg/m^3 (18.9 * 10-3 lb/ft^3)



# Flammability of R-454B

R-454B refrigerant is a mildly flammable. R-454B refrigerant can propagate a flame. R-454B will burn, but their burning velocity is **below 10cm per second or 3.93 inches per second** and has a low energy burst when ignited. In practical terms, it is very difficult to ignite 2L gases. Auto ignition for R-454B is 928°F (498 °C).

R-454B will not ignite if the concentration level in a room stays below their lower flammability limit (LFL). R-454B refrigerant has a LFL rating of .780 (lb./ft3) R-454B will not ignite with static charge generated by human contact. House hod items such as light switches, lamps, toasters, and hair dryers cannot ignite R-454B. Ignition of R-454B comes only by a constant heat source (such as a constant, open, hot flame).



Examples of common items that will not ignite R-454B refrigerant

# **R-454B vs R-410A Refrigerant Properties**

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R-454B is comparable in capacity and improved efficiency compared to R-410A. R-454B has a very low temperature glide and the charge can be topped off after refrigerant leaks. Direct replacement (new designed equipment only) for all equipment that typically used R-410A.

Conditions: 7.2° C (45° F) Evap, & 46.1° C(115°F)Cond, 11.1°C(20°F)Superheat, 5.5°C(10°F)Subcooling				
	R-410A	R-454B		
Relative Capacity	100	0.98		
Relative COP	100	1.03		
Relative Mass Flow	100	0.81		
Suction Pressure PSIG (kPa)	144.9(999.1)	134.7(928.7)		
Discharge Pressure PSIG (kPa)	406(2802.0)	379.3(2615.1)		
Discharge Temperature °C (°F)	81.3 (178.5)	87.3(189.2)		





# UL60335-2-40 (IEC 60335-2-40)

IEC 60335 deals with the safety of electric heat pumps, sanitary hot water heat pumps, air conditioners, incorporating motor compressors, as well as hydronic fan coils units, dehumidifiers (with or without motor compressors), thermoelectric heat pumps and partial units. The IEC 60335 is presently on its 7<sup>th</sup> Edition and expects more and constant changes as introduction to more refrigerants goes forward. This standard does not consider refrigerants other than group A1, A2L, A2 and A3 as defined by ISO 817 classification, A2L REFRIGERANTS are limited to those of a molar mass of more than or equal to 42 kg/kmol based on WCF as specified in ISO 817. Safety training will be the key issue for new installation instruction.

UL 60335-2-40 requires that refrigerant charge limits be based on the minimum occupied volume of the room where the equipment is expected to be used. This charge limit requirement also includes a safety factor of four to ensure any leaked refrigerant is diluted to well below the lower flammability limit (LFL), based on room size. UL 60335-2-40 also requires appliances to be free of potential internal ignition sources to mitigate the risk of fire due to a leak.

# UL 60335-2-40 Requirements for Refrigerant Leak Detection Systems

- 1. Indicating type detectors, are required to be factory installed by the manufacturer with sensors optimally located to detect any leaks.
- 2. Refrigerant leak detector sensor set point is factory set and sealed with no field adjustment permitted. Routine factory inspections are conducted by UL as part of the listing requirements. Detector markings identify the manufacturer and refrigerants used.
- The leak detection system is required to activate at a maximum concentration of < 25% of the LFL of the refrigerant being used in the equipment. This 4-times safety factor helps ensure flammable concentrations are not reached.
- 4. Detectors turn on available mitigation devices such as circulation fans.
- 5. Self-test protocols run every hour to ensure proper operation and function. In the event of detector failure, the circulation fans activate and maintain a required airflow to prevent flammable concentrations from forming. This fail-safe mode is maintained until the detector is replaced.
- Detector software is considered part of a Protective Electronic Circuit. Robustness, functionality, and reliability of this circuit is determined in accordance with clause 19 of UL 60335-2-40 which includes the requirements in UL 60335-1 or UL 60730.
- The sensor shall not be subject to poisoning due to common household and workplace contaminants that shall not damage the sensor or produce false alarms or nuisance trips per Annex LL of UL 60335-2-40.
- 8. These systems are required to pass testing designed to address long term stability, vibration, range and setpoint verification, and response time per Annex LL of UL 60335-2-40.
- 9. If the detector has a defined life and requires replacement after a given period, the detection system shall initiate the mitigation requirements in Annex GG and LL of UL 60335-2-40.

# How UL is Making an Impact

Refrigerant leak detection systems have been in use by the HVAC/R industry for decades — in areas such as machine rooms and supermarkets — for most of all refrigerants currently in use. While technology exists today to meet the new specifications outlined in UL 60335-2-40, HVAC equipment manufacturers are actively working with sensor manufacturers to determine the optimal balance of properties for their system designs while also integrating all the safety requirements defined for a full detector package. Further research is being conducted to enhance this process. To learn more visit <u>HVACInfo@ul.com</u> or visit <u>ul.com/lowGWP</u>.



# Charging or Repairing A2L System

- A. A2L refrigerants will safely be removed following local and national codes (EPA Rule 603 which requires recovery.)
- B. Purge circuit(s) with inert gas (i.e., oxygen free nitrogen) and repeat if necessary.
- C. Evacuation is required (Ensure outlet of pump is not near an ignition source)
- D. Purge with inert gas for 5 minutes (This will be a second purge.)
- E. Evacuate a second time.
- F. Open the circuit by cutting or brazing, this is a final repair preparation. Do not leave system open, close system as soon as possible.
- G. Repair the system and for brazing, purge with nitrogen during brazing process.
- H. Leak Test and pressure test the unit.
- I. Evacuate the system down to 500 micro.
- J. Charge the system as per manufactures charging procedures.



# R-454B vs R-410a Service Tools

Many of the same service items can be used for servicing A2L refrigerants versus R-22 and R-410A. However, some service equipment, due to the electrical components and motors, should be specifically designed for use with mildly flammable A2L refrigerants (e.g., R-1234yf, R-32, etc.), which also needs to compliant with local regulation. All service should be conducted in a safe manner and with respect to the guidelines given by the relevant codes and standards in your country/region. This new A2L service items should be available as there is an increasing number of service equipment companies providing these tools.

Service Tools	R-410A	R-454B
Guage Manifold Set	Routine	Routine
Charging Hoses	Routine	Routine
Scales(Weight)	Routine	Routine
Flare Tool	Routine	Routine
Pipe Cutter	Routine	Routine
Vacuum Pump	Routine	Routine*
Dry Powder/CO2 Fire Extingusher	Not Necessary	Chemical Compatible
Gas Detector	Routine	2L Certified
Leak Detector	Routine	2L Certified
Refrigerant Recovery Cylinder	Routine	Flammable (GHSLabel) Left Hand Theread
Recovery Machines	Routine	2L Certified

\* Proposed switch be located away from work zone

Tools needed to handle and service R-454B are listed above. As you will notice most tools have not changed from those used with R-410A and with R-R454B, except those highlighted red. Some other guidelines in tools when using R-454B are listed, on the next chart.

## Service cylinders use for A2L

Service Item	R-404A	R-410A	R-454B
Cylinder Type	Returnable	Returnable	Returnable
Cylinder Pressure Rating			Min 42 bar
Valve Threading	Right hand	Right hand	Left hand
Valve type			Typical DIN 477-1
GHS Markings	$\diamond$	$\diamond$	$\otimes$

Although A2L cylinders have the same rated pressure as current R-410 cylinders, tanks are designed with several distinguishing characteristics, including:

Pressure relief valve	In the event of excessively high cylinder pressure, A2L cylinders include a pressure relief valve that's designed to only release enough refrigerant to reduce the pressure in that cylinder. Upon release, the valve will reset
Red band/stripe	A2L cylinders will have a red band (stripe) or the entire top painted red to indicate the presence of the mildly flammable refrigerant.
Left-hand (LH) thread	To further distinguish from other types of refrigerants, A2L cylinders will most likely have a LH thread.

In December 2020 the American Innovation and Manufacturing act (AIM) was signed into US law with significant bipartisan support. The Aim Act creates the framework to grant the EPA the authority to begin the orderly nation-wide phase down of high global warming potential (GWP) hydrofluorocarbons (HFC)

The Aim Act is expected to bring significant environmental and economic benefits including 33,000 new jobs and the preservation of 138,4000 existing jobs, \$38.8 billion in direct and indirect manufacturing output, and an improvement to the U.S trade balance in equipment and chemicals by \$12.5 billion.

### How the AIM Act grants authority to the EPA to regulate HFCs

- Grants authority to the EPA to phase down the production and consumption of HFCs over a 16- year period using an allowance allocation program; much like the way ozone-depleting substances were regulated under Title VI (the "Clean Air Act").
- Authorizes the EPA to establish sector-based, use case restrictions by application to facilitate the transition to next-generation technologies. These use case restrictions would complement the broader production and consumption phase down.
- Allows the EPA to establish standards for a Refrigerant Reclaim Program.

The AIM Act outlines a phase down schedule based on production and consumption levels from 2011-2013 as the baseline period. From the Baseline, the law outlines the following production and consumption phase down.



# AIM Act HFC Phase Down

## What the AIM Act Means for You?

- High-GWP products will be under new regulatory scrutiny.
- Price and availability of products will change through the phase down.
- New refrigerants and system architectures will be entering the market to meet the new requirements.



# ASHRAE (Standard 34 and 15)

**Standard 34.** assigns an identifying reference letter and number to each refrigerant to classify it according to the hazard involved in its use. The capital letter designates a toxicity class based on allowable exposure. The numeral denotes flammability. For example, Standard 34 defines two safety classifications for toxicity. Class A denotes refrigerants of lower toxicity, and class B denotes refrigerants of higher toxicity. For flammability, there are three classifications and one subclass. The three main flammability classifications are class 1, for refrigerants that do not propagate a flame when tested as per the standard; class 2, for refrigerants of lower flammability; and class 3, for highly flammable refrigerants such as the hydrocarbons. Although there are classifications, there are extreme ambient conditions which, coupled with the refrigerant nature, can lead to higher toxicity. ASHRAE recently updated the safety classification matrix to include a new flammability subclass 2L, for flammability class 2 refrigerants that burn very slowly. Some HFOs, which have very low global warming potential, are mildly flammable and are classified as A2L. This indicates that they are of lower toxicity and have low burning velocity.

**Standard 15,** Safety Standard for Refrigeration Systems, sets forth requirements to help protect people and property where refrigeration facilities are located. Further information is available in the current edition, ANSI/ ASHRAE Standard 15-2019. Personal injury and property damage can result from several origins, such as rupture of a part with flying debris, release of refrigerant from a fracture or fire resulting from or intensified by burning, or deflagration of escaping refrigerant or lubricant. In addition, personal injury can result from the accidental release of refrigerants in inadequately ventilated spaces; narcotic and cardiac sensitization effects; toxic effects of vapor or the decomposition products due to vapor contact with flames or hot surfaces; corrosive attack on the eyes, skin, or other tissue; or freezing of tissue by contact with liquid.

**Standard 15.2 (2022)** ASHRAE Standard 15.2 is a safety standard designed to accommodate the use of A2Lclassified refrigerants in low-rise residential applications and is intended for use by manufacturers, installers, contractors, service technicians, building code officials, and others. requires that all products be listed to a national product safety standard and installed per the manufacturer's installation instructions. Specific requirements are included for which refrigerants can be used, the maximum allowable refrigerant charge, accessories, and interconnecting piping, so that in the event of a full release of the refrigerant charge, the concentration in the space remains safely below the lower flammability limit of the refrigerant.



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# **Environmental Protection Agency**

The EPA has been tasked to oversee and make necessary changes in building codes, transportation regulations, storage of refrigerants, contractor certifications, reclaim/recovery, and new allocation rules. Final deliberations on what refrigerants will be acceptable are expected soon.



# **Mechanical Equipment Room Requirements**

- Install an A2Lflammable rated air monitor capable of detecting the refrigerant(s) used in concentrations up to the OEL (Occupational Exposure Limit).
- Install suitable alarms that activate at or below the refrigerant's OEL, and that will alert persons outside of the equipment room that a leak condition exists.
- Route relief valve discharge headers and purge units outdoors, away from all air intakes to building or per local codes and regulations.
- Install local exhaust to ventilate the work area in the event that the air monitor alarm point is exceeded per local codes and regulations.
- Follow standards for refrigerants as required and current version of ISO 5149 or EN 378.

# Working with R-454B in Enclosed Areas

- 1. Make sure all relief and purge vent piping are routed outdoors, and away from all air intakes to the building, per local codes and regulations.
- 2. Make certain the area is well ventilated. Use auxiliary ventilation, rated for A2L refrigerants, such as blowers or fans, if necessary, to disperse refrigerant vapors.
- 3. Test the work area for available oxygen before entering enclosed areas. Do not use a leak monitor to test for oxygen. A refrigerant leak detector will not tell you if adequate oxygen is present to sustain life.
- 4. Install an A2L flammable rated refrigerant leakage detection and oxygen monitoring equipment in the work areas.

# Large R-454B Leaks

Do not attempt to enter the area to repair equipment until the vapors are dispersed, OR until you are equipped with proper breathing apparatus. Evacuate everyone until the area has been ventilated. Use blowers or fans to circulate air at the floor level and in any basement or low areas.

- 1. Appropriate respiratory protection equipment should be readily available in case of a large release.
- 2. Personnel should be trained how to use this equipment.
- 3. Consult the most recent version of ISO 5149 or EN 378 for additional information.

# **General Refrigerant Handling of Flammable Refrigerants**

In general, all refrigerants, including the R-454B refrigerants should not be mixed with any flammable gases or liquids for any reason because these mixtures can have unpredictable flammability properties and could be unsafe. Mixtures of R-454B refrigerants with high concentrations of air at elevated pressure and/or temperature will change the flammability in the presence of an ignition source. The flammability is also elevated in an oxygen-enriched environment (oxygen concentrations greater than air). The exact flammability characteristics of a mixture containing these refrigerant products and air, or these refrigerant products in an oxygen enriched atmosphere, depends on the inter-relationship of 1) the temperature, 2) the pressure, and 3) the proportion of oxygen in the mixture. In general, these products should not be allowed to exist with air above atmospheric pressure or at high temperatures; or in an oxygen- enriched environment.

# These products should NOT be mixed with air under pressure for leak testing or other purposes. Care

should be taken to ensure that the R-454B refrigerants are compatible with any other chemicals that the refrigerant may come into contact within a leakage scenario when being used in process cooling application. In general refrigerants should not be exposed to open flames or electrical heating elements. High temperatures and flames can cause the refrigerants to decompose, releasing toxic and irritating fumes.

In addition, a flame (such as a cutting torch) can become dramatically larger or change color if used in high concentrations of many refrigerants. This flame enhancement can cause surprise or even injury. Always recover refrigerants, evacuate equipment, and ventilate work areas properly before using any open flames.

# Pressure and Cylinder Safety

- In an overfilled container, vessel, or pipeline where temperature increases may become "liquid full" and immediately cause a dangerous increase in hydrostatic pressure, which can cause high -pressure leaks or even rupture of the vessel.
- A correctly filled returnable cylinder that is heated above the recommended maximum temperature of 52°C (125°F) could result in dangerously high pressures, possibly more than the cylinder design pressures.
- A returnable refrigerant cylinder connected to the discharge side of refrigeration or air-conditioning equipment may be exposed to pressures that can exceed the capacity of the cylinder relief devices, causing the cylinder to rupture or shatter.

# Proper Procedures for handling R-454B Returnable Cylinders

- Verify that the refrigerant label matches any color code or labeling used on the equipment.
- Remove liquid from the cylinder when charging any R-454B refrigerant blend. Once removed from the cylinder, it can be flashed to vapor for charging.
- Verify proper hookup of charging hoses. Do not charge to the discharge side of the compressor.
- Open valves slowly and transfer refrigerant.
- Protect cylinders from moisture and rusting during storage.
- Do not store cylinders near incompatible materials or near incendiaries, such as cartons or boxes.
- Do not pressurize systems or vessels containing these refrigerants with air for leak testing or any other purpose.
- Do not place cylinders near flames or heat sources or discard into fires.
- Do not tamper with any relief devices on cylinders or refrigerant equipment.
- Do not drop, dent, or mechanically abuse containers.
- Do not recharge refillable cylinders with used refrigerants. Use only proper recovery cylinders for this purpose. It is illegal to ship original cylinders with used refrigerants.
- Do not force connections.
- Do not use flame on cylinders to heat them. Never expose cylinders to temperatures above 52°C (125°F).



# **Transport Storage**

While R-454B refrigerants exhibit low or mild flammability properties per ISO 817 and ANSI/ASHRAE 34, this classification system is not recognized by the Globally Harmonized System or GHS. Under GHS, there is no distinction between flammable gases. According to GHS, all flammable gases are noted currently as "extremely flammable" under section 2 of the SDS.

# Storage National Fire Safety Storage Requirements Permit from fire code official Hazardous Materials Management Plan • Hazardous Material Inventory Statement • Requires visible hazard identification signs (NFPA 704 sign) No smoking signs • No open flames or high temperature devices (could include warehouse heaters) Empty tanks/cylinders (Heels) • Must be free of residual material and vapor before storage for reuse **Example of Signs** Safety Data Sheets • SDS must be available on site • Upright storage • Exception for nonflammable gases secured to a pallet

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# What's in the Future?

The future for Federal and State rules and regulations is wide open. Some states are wanting to have more stringent regulations while others do not. As of now, no one Federal mandate exists to cover the entire united states.

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H220 H280	-	Extremely flammable gas. Contains gas under pressure: may explode if heated.
Full text of other ab	breviations	
Flam. Gas		Flammable gases
Press, Gas		Gases under pressure

nominated distributors.

ADN - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways; ADR - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road: AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances: ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CLP - Classification Labelling Packaging Regulation; Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada): ECHA - European Chemicals Agency: EC-Number - European Community number: ECx -Concentration associated with x% response; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx -Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population: LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate: NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Develop-





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IATA Pack aircr Pack Labe	(Cargo) ing instruction (cargo aft) ing group Ils		200 Not assigned b Flammable Gas	y regulation S
IATA	(Passenger)	:	Not permitted for	or transport
14.5 Envi	ironmental hazards			
ADN Envi	ronmentally hazardous	:	no	
ADR Envi	ronmentally hazardous	:	no	
<b>RID</b> Envi	ronmentally hazardous	:	no	
IMD Mari	G ne pollutant	:	no	

#### 14.6 Special precautions for user

The transport classification(s) provided herein are for informational purposes only, and solely based upon the properties of the unpackaged material as it is described within this Safety Data Sheet. Transportation classifications may vary by mode of transportation, package sizes, and variations in regional or country regulations.

#### 14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of Marpol and the IBC Code

Remarks	: Not applicable for product as supplied.
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#### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

#### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

REACH - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation (Article 59).	2	Not applicable
REACH - List of substances subject to authorisation (Annex XIV)	100	Not applicable
Regulation (EC) No 1005/2009 on substances that de- plete the ozone layer		Not applicable
Regulation (EC) No 850/2004 on persistent organic pol- lutants	10	Not applicable
Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parlia- ment and the Council concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals	100	Not applicable
REACH - Restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, preparations and articles (Annex XVII)	100	Not applicable



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IAT	A (Passenger)	:	UN 3161 Not permitted for	transport
14.2 UN	proper shipping name			
AD	N		LIQUEFIED GAS (Difluoromethane	6, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. e, 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene)
AD	R	0	LIQUEFIED GAS (Difluoromethane	S, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. e, 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene)
RID		1	LIQUEFIED GAS (Difluoromethane	S, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. e, 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene)
IME	0G	0	LIQUEFIED GAS (Difluoromethane	S, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. e, 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene)
TAI	A (Cargo)		Liquefied gas, fla (Difluoromethane	ammable, n.o.s. e, 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene)
IAT	A (Passenger)	:	LIQUEFIED GAS, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. Not permitted for transport	
14.3 Tra	nsport hazard class(es)			
AD	N	:	2	
AD	R	0	2	
RID	1	:	2	
IME	)G	:	2.1	
IAT	A (Cargo)	0	2.1	
IAT	A (Passenger)	:	Not permitted for	transport
14.4 Pac	cking group			
ADI Pac Clas Haz Lab	N king group ssification Code ard Identification Number els		Not assigned by 2F 23 2.1	regulation
ADI Pac Clas Haz Lab Tun	R sking group ssification Code ard Identification Number els unel restriction code		Not assigned by 2F 23 2.1 (B/D)	regulation
RID Pac Clas Haz Lab	) king group ssification Code ard Identification Number els		Not assigned by 2F 23 2.1 ((13))	regulation
IMD Pac Lab Em	0G king group els S Code		Not assigned by 2.1 F-D, S-U	regulation

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#### 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene:

Bioaccumulation : Remarks: No bioaccumulation is to be expected (log Pow <= 4).

#### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

#### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Product:	
Assessment	This mixture contains no substance considered to be persistent, bioaccumulating and toxic (PBT) This mixture contains no substance considered to be very persistent and very bioaccumulating (vPvB)

#### 12.6 Other adverse effects

#### Global warming potential

Regulation (EU) No 517/2014 on fluorinated greenhouse gases

#### Product:

100-year global warming potential: 466.319

#### SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods		
Product	2	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. According to the European Waste Catalogue, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific. Waste codes should be assigned by the user, preferably in discussion with the waste disposal authorities.
Contaminated packaging		Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste han- dling site for recycling or disposal. Empty pressure vessels should be returned to the supplier. If not otherwise specified: Dispose of as unused product.

#### SECTION 14: Transport information

#### 14.1 UN number

ADN	:	UN 3161
ADR	:	UN 3161
RID	:	UN 3161
IMDG	:	UN 3161
IATA (Cargo)	:	UN 3161

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#### SECTION 12: Ecological information

#### 12.1 Toxicity

Components:		
Difluoromethane:		
Toxicity to fish	5	LC50 (Fish): 1,507 mg/l Exposure time: 96 h
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	•	EC50 (Daphnia (water flea)): 652 mg/l Exposure time: 48 h
Toxicity to algae	•••	EC50 (algae): 142 mg/l Exposure time: 96 h
Toxicity to fish (Chronic tox- icity)		NOEC: 65.8 mg/l Exposure time: 30 d Species: Fish
2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene:		
Toxicity to fish		LC50 (Cyprinus carpio (Carp)): > 197 mg/l Exposure time: 96 h
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	ţ.	EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): > 100 mg/l Exposure time: 48 h
Toxicity to algae		NOEC (algae): > 100 mg/l Exposure time: 72 h

#### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Components:		
Difluoromethane:		
Biodegradability	:	Result: Not readily biodegradable. Biodegradation: 5 % Exposure time: 28 d Method: OECD Test Guideline 301D
2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene:		
Biodegradability	:	Result: Not readily biodegradable. Method: OECD Test Guideline 301F
Bioaccumulative potential		
Components:		
Difluoromethane:		
Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	•••	log Pow: 0.714
	Components: Difluoromethane: Biodegradability 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene: Biodegradability Bioaccumulative potential Components: Difluoromethane: Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	Components:Difluoromethane:Biodegradability2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene:Biodegradability:Biodegradability:Bioaccumulative potentialComponents:Difluoromethane:Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water

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Comp	onents:		
Difluo	romethane:		
Repro	ductive toxicity - As- nent	: Weight of evide ductive toxicity	ence does not support classification for repro- , Based on data from similar materials
2,3,3,3	3-Tetrafluoropropene:		
Repro sessm	ductive toxicity - As- nent	: Weight of evide ductive toxicity	ence does not support classification for repro-
STOT Not cla	- single exposure assified based on availa	ble information.	
STOT	repeated exposure		
Notes	assified based on availa	ble information	
Comp	onents:	sie information.	
Difluo	romethane:		
Asses	sment	tions of 250 pp	nealth effects observed in animals at concentra mV/6h/d or less.
2,3,3,3	3-Tetrafluoropropene:		
Asses	sment	: No significant I tions of 250 pp	nealth effects observed in animals at concentra mV/6h/d or less.
Repea	ated dose toxicity		
Comp	onents:		
Difluo	romethane:		
Specie	es	: Rat	
NOAE	il 	: 49100 ppm	
Applic	ation Route	: Innalation (gas	)
Rema	rks	: No significant a	adverse effects were reported
2,3,3,3	3-Tetrafluoropropene:		
Specie	es	: Rat	
NOAE	L	: 50000 ppm	
LOAE	L ation Davita	>50000 ppm	
Applic	ation Route	: innalation (gas	)
Metho	d	: OECD Test Gu	uideline 413
Rema	rks	: No significant a	adverse effects were reported
Aspira	ation toxicity		
Not el	accified based on availa	ble information	

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#### 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene:

: Not tested

Not tested on animals No eye irritation

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

#### Skin sensitisation

Species

Result

Not classified based on available information.

#### Respiratory sensitisation

Not classified based on available information.

#### Components:

#### Difluoromethane:

Exposure routes		Skin contact
Species		Not tested on animals
Result	:	negative
Species	E	Not tested on animals
Result	:	negative

#### 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene:

Exposure routes	: Skin contact	
Species	: Not tested on	animals
Result	: negative	

:

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Not classified based on available information.

#### Components:

#### Difluoromethane:

Germ cell mutagenicity- As- : Weight of evidence does not support classification as a germ sessment cell mutagen.

#### 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene:

Germ cell mutagenicity- Assessment Weight of evidence does not support classification as a germ cell mutagen.

#### Carcinogenicity

Not classified based on available information.

#### Components:

#### 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene:

Carcinogenicity - Assessment : Weight of evidence does not support classification as a carcinogen

#### Reproductive toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

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		Lowest observe 350000 ppm	ed adverse effect concentration (Dog): >
		Symptoms. Car	diac sensiusauon
		No observed ac Symptoms: Car	dverse effect concentration (Dog): 350000 ppn rdiac sensitisation
		Cardiac sensitis Symptoms: Car	sation threshold limit (Dog): > 735,000 mg/m3 rdiac sensitisation
2,3,3,	3-Tetrafluoropropene:		
Acute	inhalation toxicity	: LC50 (Rat): > 4	05000 ppm
		Exposure time: Test atmosphered	4 h re: gas
		Lowest observe 120000 ppm	ed adverse effect concentration (Dog): >
		Test atmosphere	re: gas
		Symptoms: Car	rdiac sensitisation
		No observed ac	dverse effect concentration (Dog): 120000 ppn
		Test atmospher	re: gas
		Symptoms. Car	diac sensiusauon
		Cardiac sensitis Test atmospher Symptoms: Car	sation threshold limit (Dog): > 559,509 mg/m3 re: gas rdiac sensitisation
Skin	corrosion/irritation		
Not cl	assified based on availa	ble information.	
Com	oonents:		
Diflue	promethane:		
Speci	es	• Not tested on a	nimals
Resul	t	: No skin irritation	n
2,3,3,	3-Tetrafluoropropene:		
Speci	es	: Not tested on a	nimals
Resul	t	: No skin irritation	n
Serio	us eye damage/eye irri assified based on availa	tation	
not ci	nonents:		
Com			
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<u>Com</u> Diflue	promethane:		- in the



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Visco	sity		Not on Frankla	
VI	scosity, kinematic	10	Not applicable	
Explo	sive properties	:	Not explosive	
Oxidizing properties		1	: The substance or mixture is not classified as oxidizing.	
9.2 Other	information			
Partic	cle size	:	Not applicable	
SECTION	N 10: Stability and	reacti	vity	
10.1 Read	tivity			
Not c	lassified as a reactivit	y hazai	rd.	
10.2 Cher	nical stability			

Stable if used as directed. Follow precautionary advice and avoid incompatible materials and conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous	reactio	ons
Hazardous reactions	2	Vapours may form flammable mixture with air Can react with strong oxidizing agents. Extremely flammable gas.

#### 10.4 Conditions to avoid Conditions to avoid

: Heat, flames and sparks.

#### 10.5 Incompatible materials Materials to avoid : Oxidizing agents

#### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

No hazardous decomposition products are known.

#### SECTION 11: Toxicological information

#### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Information on likely routes of	1	Inhalation
exposure		Skin contact
		Eye contact

#### Acute toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

#### Components:

#### Difluoromethane:

Acute inhalation toxicity

: LC50 (Rat): > 520000 ppm Exposure time: 4 h Test atmosphere: gas



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#### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

#### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	:	Liquefied gas
Colour	:	colourless
Odour	:	slight, ether-like
Odour Threshold	:	No data available
pH	:	No data available
Melting point/freezing point	:	No data available
Initial boiling point and boiling range	:	-50.9 °C
Flash point		Not applicable
Evaporation rate	:	> 1 (CCL4=1.0)
Flammability (solid, gas)		Flammable
Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit		Upper flammability limit 22 %(V) Method: ASTM E681
Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit	:	Lower flammability limit 11.25 %(V) Method: ASTM E681
Vapour pressure	:	15,856 hPa (25 °C)
Relative vapour density		2.2 (Air = 1.0)
Relative density	:	0.98 (25 °C)
Density	:	0.98 g/cm3 (25 °C) (as liquid)
Solubility(ies) Water solubility	:	No data available
Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	:	Not applicable
Auto-ignition temperature	1	No data available
Decomposition temperature	:	No data available



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#### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC) according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006:

Substance name	Environmental Compartment	Value
Difluoromethane	Fresh water	0.142 mg/l
	Intermittent use/release	1.42 mg/l
	Fresh water sediment	0.534 mg/kg
2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene	Fresh water	0.1 mg/l
	Intermittent use/release	1 mg/i
	Fresh water sediment	1.77 mg/kg dry weight (d.w.)
	Soil	1.54 mg/kg dry weight (d.w.)
2	Marine water	0.01 mg/l
	Marine sediment	0.178 mg/kg dry weight (d.w.)

#### 8.2 Exposure controls

Use only in an area equippe of the local exposure potenti Use with local exhaust venti	with explosion-proof exhaust ventilation if advised by assessment i tion.
Personal protective equip	ent
Eye protection	: Wear the following personal protective equipment: Chemical resistant goggles must be worn. Face-shield
Hand protection	
Material	: Low temperature resistant gloves
Remarks	: Choose gloves to protect hands against chemicals depending on the concentration and quantity of the hazardous sub- stance and specific to place of work. For special applications, we recommend clarifying the resistance to chemicals of the aforementioned protective gloves with the glove manufactur- er. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday. Breakthrough time is not determined for the product. Change gloves often!
Skin and body protection	: Wear the following personal protective equipment: Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing, unless as- sessment demonstrates that the risk of explosive atmos- pheres or flash fires is low
Respiratory protection	: Use respiratory protection unless adequate local exhaust ventilation is provided or exposure assessment demonstrates that exposures are within recommended exposure guidelines.
Filter type	: Organic gas and low boiling vapour type (AX)
Protective measures	: Wear cold insulating gloves/ face shield/ eye protection.



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7.2 Con	ditions for safe storage,	inc	luding any inco	mpatibilities
Rec are	quirements for storage as and containers	1	Cylinders shou vent falling or to from empty cor als. Avoid area present. Keep closed. Keep ir direct sunlight. regulations. Ke	Id be stored upright and firmly secured to pre- eing knocked over. Separate full containers tainers. Do not store near combustible materi- where salt or other corrosive materials are in properly labelled containers. Keep tightly a cool, well-ventilated place. Keep away from Store in accordance with the particular national ep away from heat and sources of ignition.
Adv	vice on common storage		Do not store wi Self-reactive su Organic peroxi Oxidizing agen Flammable liqu Flammable sol Pyrophoric liqu Pyrophoric soli Self-heating su Substances an flammable gase Explosives Acutely toxic su Substances an	th the following product types: libstances and mixtures des is ids ds ds bstances and mixtures d mixtures, which in contact with water, emit es libstances and mixtures d mixtures with chronic toxicity
Sto	rage period	:	> 10 yr	
Rec	commended storage tem- ature	0	< 52 °C	
Fur	ther information on stor- stability		The product ha	s an indefinite shelf life when stored properly.
7.3 Spe	cific end use(s)			
Spe	ecific use(s)	:	No data availat	le

#### SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

#### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006:

Substance name	End Use	Exposure routes	Potential health ef- fects	Value
Difluoromethane	Workers	Inhalation	Long-term systemic effects	7035 mg/m3
	Consumers	Inhalation	Long-term systemic effects	750 mg/m3
2,3,3,3- Tetrafluoropropene	Workers	Inhalation	Long-term systemic effects	950 mg/m3



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		employed in th mine which reg Sections 13 ar certain local or	e cleanup of releases. You will need to deter- gulations are applicable. Ind 15 of this SDS provide information regarding rational requirements.
6.4 Reference See section	ence to other section ons: 7, 8, 11, 12 and 1	i <b>s</b> 3.	
SECTION	N 7: Handling and s	storage	
7.1 Preca	utions for safe hand	ing	
Tech	nical measures	: Use equipmen preventative d when empty.	t rated for cylinder pressure. Use a backflow evice in piping. Close valve after each use and
Local/Total ventilation		: Use with local Use only in an ventilation if ad potential	exhaust ventilation. area equipped with explosion-proof exhaust lvised by assessment of the local exposure
Advice on safe handling		<ul> <li>Handle in accorpractice, based sessment</li> <li>Keep containe</li> <li>Wear cold insu</li> <li>Prevent backfl</li> <li>Open the valve</li> <li>Close valve affor force fit con</li> <li>Prevent the int</li> <li>Keep away fro</li> <li>Take precaution</li> <li>Take care to penvironment.</li> <li>Avoid breathin</li> <li>Valve protection</li> </ul>	ordance with good industrial hygiene and safety d on the results of the workplace exposure as- r tightly closed. Ilating gloves/ face shield/ eye protection. ow into the gas tank. es slowly to prevent pressure surges. ter each use and when empty. Do NOT change nections. rusion of water into the gas tank. m heat and sources of ignition. onary measures against static discharges. revent spills, waste and minimize release to the g gas. on caps and valve outlet threaded plugs must
		remain in place piped to use p Use a check v ardous back fil Use a pressur to lower press Never attempt Do not drag, s Use a suitable	e unless container is secured with valve outlet oint. alve or trap in the discharge line to prevent haz- ow into the cylinder. e reducing regulator when connecting cylinder ure (<3000 psig) piping or systems. to lift cylinder by its cap. lide or roll cylinders. hand truck for cylinder movement.
Hygiene measures		: Ensure that ey located close t drink or smoke	e flushing systems and safety showers are o the working place. When using do not eat, e. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use.





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5.2 Speci	al hazards arising from	the	substance or r	nixture	
Specific hazards during fire- fighting		6	Vapours may form flammable mixture with air Exposure to combustion products may be a hazard to health. If the temperature rises there is danger of the vessels bursting due to the high vapor pressure.		
Hazardous combustion prod- ucts		1	Hydrogen fluori carbonyl fluorid Carbon oxides Fluorine compo	ide le bunds	
5.3 Advic	e for firefighters				
Spec for fir	Special protective equipment for firefighters		Wear self-conta essary. Use pe	ained breathing apparatus for firefighting if nec- rsonal protective equipment.	
Spec ods	Specific extinguishing meth- ods		Use extinguishi cumstances an Fight fire remot Use water spra Leaking gas fire stopped safely. Remove undan so. Evacuate area.	ing measures that are appropriate to local cir- d the surrounding environment. ely due to the risk of explosion. y to cool unopened containers. e: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be naged containers from fire area if it is safe to do	

#### **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

6.1 Personal precautions, prote	ective equipment and emergency procedures
Personal precautions	<ul> <li>Evacuate personnel to safe areas.</li> <li>Only trained personnel should re-enter the area.</li> <li>Remove all sources of ignition.</li> <li>Avoid skin contact with leaking liquid (danger of frostbite).</li> <li>Ventilate the area.</li> <li>Follow safe handling advice and personal protective equipment recommendations.</li> </ul>
6.2 Environmental precautions	
Environmental precautions	: Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Retain and dispose of contaminated wash water.
6.3 Methods and material for co	ontainment and cleaning up
Methods for cleaning up	<ul> <li>Ventilate the area.</li> <li>Non-sparking tools should be used.</li> <li>Suppress (knock down) gases/vapours/mists with a water spray jet.</li> <li>Local or national regulations may apply to releases and dis- posal of this material, as well as those materials and items</li> </ul>
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#### SECTION 4: First aid measures

General auvice	:	In the case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical ad-
		vice immediately.
		When symptoms persist or in all cases of doubt seek medical advice.
Protection of first-aiders	:	No special precautions are necessary for first aid responders.
If inhaled	0	If inhaled, remove to fresh air. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
In case of skin contact	:	Thaw frosted parts with lukewarm water. Do not rub affected area. Get medical attention immediately.
In case of eye contact	1	Get medical attention immediately.
If swallowed	1	Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.
4.2 Most important symptoms a	nd e	ffects, both acute and delayed
Symptoms	•	May cause cardiac arrhythmia.
		Other symptoms potentially related to misuse or inhalation abuse are Cardiac sensitisation Anaesthetic effects Light-headedness Dizziness confusion Lack of coordination Drowsiness
		Unconsciousness
Risks	0	Contact with liquid or refrigerated gas can cause cold burns and frostbite.
	mea	lical attention and special treatment needed
4.3 Indication of any immediate		
4.3 Indication of any immediate Treatment	•	Treat symptomatically and supportively.
4.3 Indication of any immediate Treatment SECTION 5: Firefighting mea	: sur	Treat symptomatically and supportively.
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4.3 Indication of any immediate Treatment SECTION 5: Firefighting mea 5.1 Extinguishing media	: sur	Treat symptomatically and supportively.
<ul> <li>4.3 Indication of any immediate Treatment</li> <li>SECTION 5: Firefighting mea</li> <li>5.1 Extinguishing media Suitable extinguishing media</li> </ul>	: sur	Treat symptomatically and supportively. es Water spray Alcohol-resistant foam Carbon dioxide (CO2) Dry chemical





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Precautionary statements		:	Prever P210	vention: 0 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open	
			flames	and oth	er ignition sources. No smoking.
			P377 stoppe P381	Leakin d safely In case	g gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be e of leakage, eliminate all ignition sources.
			Storag P410 + place.	<b>je:</b> ⊦ P403	Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated

#### Additional Labelling

Contains fluorinated greenhouse gases. (HFC-32)

#### 2.3 Other hazards

This mixture contains no substance considered to be persistent, bioaccumulating and toxic (PBT). This mixture contains no substance considered to be very persistent and very bioaccumulating (vPvB).

May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.

Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing.

Misuse or intentional inhalation abuse may cause death without warning symptoms, due to cardiac effects.

Rapid evaporation of the product may cause frostbite.

#### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

#### 3.2 Mixtures

#### Hazardous components

Chemical name	CAS-No. EC-No. Index-No. Registration number	Classification	Concentration (% w/w)
Difluoromethane*	75-10-5 200-839-4 01-2119471312-47	Flam. Gas 1; H220 Press. Gas Liquefied gas; H280	68.9
2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene*	754-12-1 468-710-7 01-0000019665-61	Flam. Gas 1; H220 Press. Gas Liquefied gas; H280	31.1

\* Voluntarily-disclosed non-hazardous substance

For explanation of abbreviations see section 16.



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#### SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifier		
Trade name	0	Opteon™ XL41 (R-454B) Refrigerant
SDS-Identcode	2	130000143545
1.2 Relevant identified uses of t	he s	ubstance or mixture and uses advised against
Use of the Sub- stance/Mixture		Refrigerant
Recommended restrictions on use	:	For professional and industrial installation and use only.
1.3 Details of the supplier of the	e saf	ety data sheet
Company	:	Chemours Netherlands B.V. Baanhoekweg 22 3313 LA Dordrecht Netherlands
Telephone	:	+31-(0)-78-630-1011
Telefax	:	+31-78-6163737
E-mail address of person responsible for the SDS	:	sds-support@chemours.com
1.4 Emergency telephone numb	ег	
+(44)-870-8200418 (CHEMT	REC	- Recommended)
SECTION 2: Hazards identified	cati	DN
2.1 Classification of the substar	nce	or mixture
Classification (REGULATIC	)N (E	EC) No 1272/2008)
Flammable gases, Category	1	H220: Extremely flammable gas.

# Gases under pressure, Liquefied gas

gas H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

#### 2.2 Label elements

Labelling (REGULATION (EC) No 1272/2008)

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Hazard pictograms



Signal word

: Danger



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ment; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RID - Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; SVHC - Substance of Very High Concern; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TRGS - Technical Rule for Hazardous Substances; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

#### Further information

Sources of key data used to : Intern compile the Safety Data eCher Sheet cy, htt		ernal technical data, data from raw material SDSs, OECD Chem Portal search results and European Chemicals Agen , http://echa.europa.eu/	
Classification of the mixture	e:	Classification procedure:	

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Flam. Gas 1	H220	Based on product data or assessment		
Press. Gas Liquefied gas	H280	Based on product data or assessment		

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