



SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product identifier

Product Name ARGON, COMPRESSED

Other means of identification

UN number or ID number UN1006

Synonyms ARGON; UN 1006; AR

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use Industrial and Specialty Gas Applications

Restrictions on use None known

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Manufacturer Address

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Irving, TX 75039
General Information: 1-800-416-2505

Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone CHEMTREC: +1-703-527-3887 (INTERNATIONAL)
1-800-424-9300 (NORTH AMERICA)

2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification of the substance or mixture

Gases under pressure	Compressed gas
Simple asphyxiants	Yes

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Not applicable.

Label elements

Warning



Hazard statements

Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.
May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.

Precautionary Statements - Storage

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

Hazards classified under paragraph (d)(1)(ii) of 1910.1200

No information available.

Other information

Rapid release of compressed gas may cause frostbite.

3. Composition/information on ingredients**Substance**

Chemical Family Non-metallic

Chemical name	CAS No.	Weight-%	Trade secret / Unique identifier
Argon	7440-37-1	100	-

4. First-aid measures**Description of first aid measures**

Inhalation	Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Remove to fresh air.
Eye contact	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water, also under the eyelids.
Skin contact	If frostbite or freezing occur, immediately flush with plenty of lukewarm water (105-115°F; 41-46°C). If warm water is not available, gently wrap affected parts in blankets. In case of contact with liquefied gas, thaw frosted parts with lukewarm water.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms	Frostbite. Suffocation.
Effects of Exposure	None known.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to physicians	For inhalation, consider oxygen.
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5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
Large Fire	Use water spray to keep containers cool.

Unsuitable extinguishing media	Do not direct water at source of leak or safety devices; icing may occur. DO NOT EXTINGUISH A LEAKING GAS FIRE UNLESS LEAK CAN BE STOPPED.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Negligible fire hazard. Cylinders may rupture under extreme heat. Damaged cylinders should be handled only by specialists. Containers may explode when heated. Ruptured cylinders may rocket.
Explosion data	
Sensitivity to mechanical impact	Yes.
Sensitivity to static discharge	None.
Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters	For fires in cargo or storage area: Cool containers with water from unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles until well after fire is out. If this is impossible then take the following precautions: Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Let the fire burn. Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety device or any discoloration of tanks due to fire. Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Stay upwind and keep out of low areas. If tank, rail car or tank truck is involved in a fire, ISOLATE for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions; also, consider initial evacuation for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions	Avoid breathing gas. Wear personal protective clothing and equipment, see Section 8. Contents under pressure. Empty containers pose a potential fire and explosion hazard. Do not cut, puncture or weld containers.
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Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment	Use water spray to reduce vapors or divert vapor cloud drift. Do not direct water at spill or source of leak. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel away from spillage. Ventilate the area. Stay upwind and keep out of low areas.
Methods for cleaning up	Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so. Damaged cylinders should be handled only by specialists.
Prevention of secondary hazards	Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling	Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Avoid breathing gas. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear personal protective equipment. Contents under pressure. Empty containers pose a potential fire and explosion hazard. Do not cut, puncture or weld containers.
General hygiene considerations	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage Conditions	Keep away from Incompatible materials. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101. For additional and specific safe practices consult the following Compressed Gas Association (CGA) publications: P-1 "Safe Handling of Compressed Gases in Cylinders", AV-1 "Safe Handling and Storage of Compressed Gases", and "Compressed Gas Handbook". Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect
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from sunlight.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Control Parameters

Exposure Limits

Chemical name	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH
Argon 7440-37-1	: See Appendix F: Minimal Oxygen Content Sa	-	-

Note See section 16 for terms and abbreviations.

Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering controls Provide local exhaust ventilation.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection For the gas: Eye protection not required, but recommended. For the liquid: Wear splash resistant safety goggles. Contact lenses should not be worn. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area. Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

Hand protection For the gas: Protective gloves are not required, but recommended. For the liquid: Wear insulated gloves.

Skin and body protection For the gas: Protective clothing is not required, but recommended. For the liquid: Wear appropriate protective, cold insulating clothing.

Respiratory protection Under conditions of frequent use or heavy exposure, respiratory protection may be needed. Consider warning properties before use. Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Compressed gas
Physical state	Gas
Color	Colorless
Odor (includes odor threshold)	Odorless

<u>Property</u>	<u>Values</u>	<u>Remarks • Method</u>
Melting point / freezing point	-189 °C / -308.2 °F	
Boiling point (or initial boiling point or boiling range)	-185.9 °C / -302.62 °F	
Flammability		No data available
Flammability Limit in Air		
Upper flammability or explosive limits		No data available
Lower flammability or explosive limits		No data available
Flash point		Non-flammable

Autoignition temperature		No data available
Decomposition temperature		No data available
SADT (°C)		No data available
pH		No data available
pH (as aqueous solution)		No data available
Kinematic viscosity		No data available
Dynamic viscosity	0.0225 cP	
Solubility	Soluble in: Organic solvents	
Water solubility	3.36% @ 20°C	
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)		No data available
Vapor pressure (includes evaporation rate)	500 mmHg	@ -190 °C
Evaporation rate		No data available
Density and/or relative density	1.784 g/L	@ 0 °C
Bulk density		No data available
Liquid Density		No data available
Relative vapor density	1.38	(air = 1)
Particle characteristics		
Particle Size		No data available
Particle Size Distribution		No data available

Other information

Molecular formula	Ar
Molecular weight	39.948
VOC content	No information available
Softening point	No information available

Information with regard to physical hazard classes**Explosives**

Explosive properties	No information available
Oxidizing properties	No information available
Sensitivity to mechanical impact	Yes

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	None under normal use conditions.
Chemical stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	None under normal processing.
Conditions to avoid	Protect from physical damage. Containers may rupture or explode if exposed to heat. Excessive heat.
Incompatible materials	None known based on information supplied.
Hazardous decomposition products	None known.

11. Toxicological information**Information on likely routes of exposure****Product Information**

Inhalation	Suffocation. Nausea. Vomiting. Difficulty in breathing. Irregular heartbeat. Headache. Dizziness. Disorientation. Incoordination. Mood swings. Tingling sensation. Convulsions. Unconsciousness. Coma.
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Eye contact	Blurred vision.
Skin contact	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available.
Ingestion	Ingestion of gas unlikely.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Symptoms	Frostbite. Suffocation.
Acute toxicity	No information available.
<u>Numerical measures of toxicity</u>	No information available.

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Skin corrosion/irritation	No information available.
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	No information available.
Respiratory or skin sensitization	No information available.
Germ cell mutagenicity	No information available.
Carcinogenicity	No information available.
Reproductive toxicity	No information available.
STOT - single exposure	No information available.
STOT - repeated exposure	No information available.
Aspiration hazard	No information available.
Other adverse effects	No information available.
Interactive effects	No information available.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity	The environmental impact of this product has not been fully investigated.
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<u>Persistence and degradability</u>	No information available.
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<u>Bioaccumulative potential</u>	No information available.
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<u>Mobility in soil</u>	No information available.
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Other adverse effects No information available.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal methods

Waste from residues/unused products Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local, regional, national, and international regulations as applicable.

Contaminated packaging Do not reuse empty containers.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN number or ID number	UN1006
Proper shipping name	Argon
Transport hazard class(es)	2.2
DOT Marine Pollutant	NP
Description	UN1006, Argon, 2.2
Emergency Response Guide Number	120

IATA

UN number or ID number	UN1006
UN proper shipping name	Argon, compressed
Transport hazard class(es)	2.2
Environmental hazards	No
Special Provisions	A69, A202
ERG Code	2L
Description	UN1006, Argon, compressed, 2.2

IMDG

UN number or ID number	UN1006
UN proper shipping name	Argon, compressed
Transport hazard class(es)	2.2
Marine pollutant indicator	NP
Special Provisions	378, 392, 406
EmS-No.	F-C, S-V
Description	UN1006, Argon, compressed, 2.2

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Contact supplier for inventory compliance status

US 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 Hazard Categories

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate

classifications.

CWA (Clean Water Act)

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

CAA (Clean Air Act)

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to Clean Air Act (CAA).

CERCLA

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.

US State Regulations

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Chemical name	New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Argon 7440-37-1	X	X	X

U.S. EPA Label Information

EPA Pesticide Registration Number Not applicable

International Regulations

The Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer Not applicable

The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants Not applicable

The Rotterdam Convention Not applicable

16. Other information

NFPA	Health hazards 0	Flammability 0	Instability 0	Special hazards SA
HMIS	Health hazards 0	Flammability 0	Physical hazards 3	Personal protection -

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

List may include phrases which are not applicable to this product

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
ADN	Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (Europe)
ADR	Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (Europe)
AIIC	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals
ATE	Acute Toxicity Estimate
ASTM	American Society for the Testing of Materials

bar	Biological Reference Values for Chemical Compounds in the Work Area
BAT	Biological tolerance values for occupational exposure
BEL	Biological exposure limits
bw	Body weight
Ceiling	Maximum limit value
CMR	Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant
DOT	Department of Transportation (United States)
DSL	Domestic Substances List (Canada)
ECEL	Existing Chemical Exposure Limit
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances
ELINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
EmS	Emergency Schedule
ENCS	Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan)
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
HMIS	Hazardous Materials Identification System
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
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods
IMO	International Maritime Organization
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
KECI	Korean 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
NDSL	Non-Domestic Substances List (Canada)
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
n.o.s.	Not Otherwise Specified
NOAEC	No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration
NOAEL	No Observed Adverse Effect Level
NOELR	No Observable Effect Loading Rate
NTP	National Toxicology Program (United States)
NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OEL	Occupational exposure limits
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration of the US Department of Labor
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance
PICCS	Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
PMT	Persistent, Mobile and Toxic
PPE	Personal protective equipment
QSAR	Quantitative Structure Activity Relationship
RID	Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (Europe)
SADT	Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature
SAR	Structure-activity relationship
SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
SDS	Safety Data Sheet
SL	Surface Limit
STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit
STOT RE	Specific target organ toxicity - Repeated exposure
STOT SE	Specific target organ toxicity - Single exposure

TCSI	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
TDG	Transport of Dangerous Goods (Canada)
TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act (United States)
TWA	Time-Weighted Average
UN	United Nations
VOC	Volatile organic compounds
vPvB	Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative
vPvM	Very Persistent and Very Mobile
As	Allergenic substance
DS	Dermal Sensitizer
Ot	Ototoxicant
pOt	Ototoxicant - potential to cause hearing disorders
PS	Photosensitizer
RS	Respiratory Sensitizer
S	Sensitizer
poS	Sensitizer - capable of causing occupational asthma
Sa	Simple asphyxiant
Sd	Skin designation
pSd	Skin designation - potential for cutaneous absorption
Sdv	Skin designation - vacated
Sk	Skin notation
dSk	Skin notation - danger of cutaneous absorption
pSk	Skin notation - potential for cutaneous absorption

Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS

U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database
 European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
 U.S. EPA Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGL(s))
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals
 Food Research Journal
 U.S. Hazardous Substance Data Bank (HSDB)
 International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID)
 Japan GHS Classification
 Australia National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)
 U.S. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)
 National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP)
 National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED)
 U.S. National Toxicology Program (NTP)
 New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)
 International Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Environment, Health, and Safety Publications
 International Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) High Production Volume Chemicals Program
 International Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Screening Information Data Set
 United Nations World Health Organization (WHO)

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