

Safety Data Sheet Ethylene

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Section 1: Product and Company Identification

Advanced Specialty Gases

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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300

Product Code: Ethylene

Part Number: UN 1962, Ethylene, 2.1

Section 2: Hazards Identification



Hazard Classification:

Flammable (Category 1)
Gases Under Pressure
Specific target organ toxicity (Single Exposure) (Category 3)

Hazard Statements:

Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated Extremely flammable gas May cause respiratory irritation;

Precautionary Statements

Prevention:

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/ vapors/spray. [In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection.

Response:

If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so. Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely. Call a poison center or doctor if you feel unwell.

Storage:

Store locked up.
Protect from sunlight.
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Disposal:

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Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

CAS # 74-85-1

Chemical Substance	Chemical Family	Trade Names
Ethylene	Hydrocarbons, Aliphatic, Unsaturated	ACETENE; ETHENE; ETHYLENE, COMPRESSED GAS; OLEFIANT GAS; BICARBURETTED HYDROGEN; UN 1962; C2H4

Section 4: First Aid Measures

Skin Contact	Eye Contact	Ingestion	Inhalation	Note to Physicians
If frostbite or freezing occur, immediately flush with plenty of lukewarm water (105-115 F; 41-46 C). DO NOT USE HOT WATER. If warm water is not available, gently wrap affected parts in blankets. Get immediate medical attention.	Contact with liquid: Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.	Do not induce vomiting. Seek immediate medical attention. Check for frostbite. Thaw frostbite slowly with lukewarm water. Avoid mouth-to-mouth contact by using a mouth shield or guard to perform artificial respiration.	If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Get immediate medical attention.	For inhalation, consider oxygen.

Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Products of Combustion	Protection of Firefighters		
Carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical Large fires: Flood with fine water spray.	Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and toxic and irritating fumes	 Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece. Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece. 		

Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

Personal Precautions	Environmental Precautions	Methods for Containment	
Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and	Avoid heat, flames, sparks and	Stop leak if possible without personal risk.	
deny entry. Do not touch spilled material. Ventilate closed	other sources of ignition.	Reduce vapors with water spray. Remove	
spaces before entering.		sources of ignition.	

Methods for Cleanup	Other Information
Avoid ignition sources. Evacuate area, contact emergency personnel. Use fine water spray.	None

Section 7: Handling and Storage

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Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Protect from physical	Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other
damage. Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a well-ventilated area. Subject to storage regulations: U.S.	sources of ignition. Grounding and
OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101. Keep separated from incompatible substances.	bonding required.

Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Exposure G	iuidelines
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TLV-TWA: 200ppm Carcinogenicity Designation A4 (ACGIH)

Engineering Controls

Handle only in fully enclosed systems.

Eye Protection	Skin Protection	Respiratory Protection
For the gas: Eye protection not required, but recommended. For the liquid:	For the gas: Protective clothing is not	Any self-contained
Wear splash resistant safety goggles. Contact lenses should not be worn.	required. For the liquid: Wear	breathing apparatus with
Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the	appropriate protective, cold insulating	a full facepiece.
immediate work area.	clothing.	

General Hygiene considerations

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

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State	Appearance	Color	Change in Appearance	Physical Form	Odor	Taste
Gas	Colorless	Colorless	N/A	Compressed gas	Sweet odor	Sweet taste

Flash Point	Flammability	Partition Coefficient	Autoignition Temperature	Upper Explosive Limits	Lower Explosive Limits
Approximately -212.8 F (-136 C) (CC); extremely flammable gas	Not available	281.84 (log = 2.45) (estimated from water solubility)	842 F (450 C)	0.36	0.027

Boiling Point	Freezing Point	Vapor Pressure	Vapor Density	Specific Gravity	Water Solubility	рН	Odor Threshold	Evaporation Rate	Viscosity
-155 F (-104 C)	-272 F (- 169 C)	760 mmHg @ -104 C	0.978 @ 0 C; 0.969 @ 21.1 C (air = 1)	Not applicable	0.226	Not applicable	Wide range of reported values: 17 to 959 ppm. Acceptable values are: 270 ppm (310 mg/m3) (detection); 418 ppm (480 mg/m3) (recognition)	Not applicable	LIQUEFIED GAS: 0.16 mPa.s (0.16 centipoise) @ -100 C (18); 0.07 mPa.s (0.07 centipoise) @ 0 C

Molecular Weight	Molecular Formula	Density	Weight per Gallon	Volatility by Volume	Volatility	Solvent Solubility
28.05	C-H2-C-H2	1.261 g/L @ 0 C	Not available	100%	1	Soluble: Alcohol, ether, acetone, benzene

Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

Stability	Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible Materials

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May polymerize. Avoid storage	May polymerize. Avoid storage	Acids, metal salts, halogens, halo carbons, oxidizing materials, metals,
and use above room	and use above room	peroxides, chlorine, aluminum chloride, nitrogen dioxide or ozone, copper,
temperature.	temperature.	5A molecular sieves

Hazardous Decomposition Products	Possibility of Hazardous Reactions
Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, hydrocarbons	Polymerizes with evolution of heat. Store in a cool, dry place.

Section 11: Toxicology Information

Acute Effects

Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation
LC50 (inhalation, mouse) = 96 pph	Not available	Nausea, vomiting, symptoms of drunkenness, bluish skin color, suffocation, convulsions, coma

Eye Irritation	Skin Irritation	Sensitization
Frostbite, blurred	Blisters,	Specific Target Organ Toxicity (single exposure), Category 3; H336: May cause drowsiness or
vision	frostbite	dizziness.

Chronic Effects

Carcinogenicity	Mutagenicity	Reproductive Effects	Developmental Effects
IARC: Human Inadequate Evidence, Animal Inadequate Evidence, Group 3; ACGIH: A4 -Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen	Not available	Not available	No data

Section 12: Ecological Information

Fate and Transport

Eco toxicity	Persistence / Degradability	Bioaccumulation / Accumulation	Mobility in Environment
Fish toxicity: 22000-25000 ug/L 1 day(s) LC100 (Mortality) Orangespotted sunfish (Lepomis humilis) Invertibrate toxicity: Not available Algal toxicity: Not available Phyto toxicity: Lemon = 0.025-0.05; epinasty Other toxicity: Tomato = 0.04-0.1 ppm/3-48 hours: leaf epinasty.	Relatively non-persistent in the environment. Moderately volatile from water.	Accumulates very little in the bodies of living organisms.	Leaches through the soil or the sediment at a slow rate.

Section 13: Disposal Considerations

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001.

Section 14: Transportation Information

U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101

Proper Shipping Name	ID Number	Hazard Class or Division	Packing Group	Labeling Requirements	Passenger Aircraft or Railcar Quantity Limitations	Cargo Aircraft Only Quantity Limitations	Additional Shipping Description
Ethylene	UN1962	2.1	Not applicable	2.1	Forbidden	150 kg	N/A

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Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods

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Shipping Name	UN Number Class		Packing Group / Risk Group	
Ethylene, compressed	UN1962	2.1	Not applicable	

Section 15: Regulatory Information

U.S. Regulations

CERCLA Sections	SARA 355.30	SARA 355.40
Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.

SARA 370.21

Acute	Chronic	Fire	Reactive	Sudden Release
Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

SARA 372.65

ETHYLENE

OSHA Process Safety

Not regulated.

State Regulations

CA Proposition 65
Not regulated.

Canadian Regulations

WHMIS Classification
A, B1, D2B

National Inventory Status

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

Section 16: Other Information

NFPA Rating

HEALTH=3 FIRE=4 REACTIVITY=2

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