

Ethylene Oxide (1.00% - 2.15%) in Argon

Safety Data Sheet

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

1.1. Product identifier

Product form : Mixture
Product name : Ethylene Oxide (1.00% - 2.15%) in Argon
Product code : SG-2002-00256

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Use of the substance/mixture : Test gas/Calibration gas.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Air Liquide America Specialty Gases
6141 Easton Rd
Plumsteadville, PA 18949 - USA
T 1.800.217.2688
www.airliquide.com

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification (GHS-US)

Compressed gas	H280
Skin Sens. 1	H317
Muta. 1B	H340
Carc. 1B	H350
Repr. 1A	H360
STOT SE 3	H335
STOT RE 1	H372

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

2.2. Label elements

GHS-US labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS-US) :



GHS04

GHS07

GHS08

Signal word (GHS-US)

: Danger

Hazard statements (GHS-US)

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

H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction

H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

H340 - May cause genetic defects (Inhalation)

H350 - May cause cancer

H360 - May damage fertility or the unborn child

H372 - Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

OSHA-H01 - May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation

Precautionary statements (GHS-US)

: P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

P261 - Avoid breathing gas

P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

P280 - Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection, face protection

P302+P352 - If on skin: Wash with plenty of water

P304+P340 - If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

P333+P313 - If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention

P362+P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

P501 - Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations

CGA-PG02 - Protect from sunlight when ambient temperature exceeds 52°C (125°F)

CGA-PG05 - Use a back flow preventive device in the piping

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CGA-PG06 - Close valve after each use and when empty
CGA-PG10 - Use only with equipment rated for cylinder pressure
CGA-PG14 - Approach suspected leak area with caution
CGA-PG21 - Open valve slowly

2.3. Other hazards

No additional information available

2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS-US)

Not applicable

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substance

Not applicable

3.2. Mixture

Name	Product identifier	%	Classification (GHS-US)
Argon	(CAS No) 7440-37-1	97.85 - 99	Compressed gas, H280
Ethylene oxide	(CAS No) 75-21-8	1 - 2.15	Flam. Gas 1, H220 Liquefied gas, H280 Acute Tox. 3 (Inhalation:gas), H331 Skin Irrit. 2, H315 Skin Sens. 1B, H317 Muta. 1B, H340 Carc. 1B, H350 Repr. 1A, H360 STOT SE 3, H335 STOT RE 1, H372

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice.

First-aid measures after skin contact : IF ON SKIN : Gently wash with plenty of soap and water. Get immediate medical advice / attention. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

First-aid measures after eye contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

First-aid measures after ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms/injuries after inhalation : May cause respiratory irritation. May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice.

Symptoms/injuries after skin contact : May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Symptoms/injuries after eye contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Symptoms/injuries after ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Symptoms/injuries upon intravenous administration : Not known.

Chronic symptoms : May cause an allergic skin reaction. May cause cancer. May cause genetic defects. May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure (Inhalation).

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Obtain medical attention if breathing difficulty persists.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use water jet to extinguish.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Fire hazard : The product is not flammable.

Explosion hazard : Product is not explosive. Heat may build pressure, rupturing closed containers, spreading fire and increasing risk of burns and injuries.

Reactivity : None known.

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5.3. Advice for firefighters

Firefighting instructions : In case of fire: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion. Use water spray or fog for cooling exposed containers. Exercise caution when fighting any chemical fire.

Protection during firefighting : Standard protective clothing and equipment (e.g., Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire fighters. Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

General measures : Ensure adequate ventilation.

6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

Protective equipment : Wear protective equipment consistent with the site emergency plan.

Emergency procedures : Escape the danger area by the closest safe route. Close doors and windows of adjacent premises. Keep containers closed. Mark the danger area. Seal off low-lying areas. Keep upwind.

6.1.2. For emergency responders

Protective equipment : Standard protective clothing and equipment (e.g., Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire fighters. Equip cleanup crew with proper protection.

Emergency procedures : Evacuate and limit access. Ventilate area.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Try to stop release if safe to do so.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

For containment : Try to stop release if safe to do so.

Methods for cleaning up : Dispose of this material and its container in accordance with local regulations.

6.4. Reference to other sections

See also Sections 8 and 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Additional hazards when processed : Pressurized container: Do not pierce or burn, even after use. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure.

Precautions for safe handling : Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

Hygiene measures : Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Technical measures : Comply with applicable regulations.

Storage conditions : Store locked up. Do not expose to temperatures exceeding 52°C (125°F). Keep container closed when not in use. Protect cylinder from physical damage.

Incompatible products : None known.

Incompatible materials : None known.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

Test gas/Calibration gas.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Ethylene Oxide (1.00% - 2.15%) in Argon	
ACGIH	Not applicable
OSHA	Not applicable
Argon (7440-37-1)	
ACGIH	Not applicable
OSHA	Not applicable
Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)	
ACGIH	ACGIH TWA (ppm)
	1 ppm

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Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)		
OSHA	OSHA PEL (TWA) (ppm)	1 ppm
OSHA	OSHA PEL (STEL) (ppm)	5 ppm (see 29 CFR 1910.1047)

8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

: Ensure exposure is below occupational exposure limits. Provide adequate general and local exhaust ventilation. Systems under pressure should be regularly checked for leakages. Oxygen detectors should be used when asphyxiating gases may be released. Consider work permit system e.g. for maintenance activities.

Hand protection

: Wear working gloves when handling gas containers. 29CFR 1910.138: Hand Protection.

Eye protection

: Wear safety glasses with side shields. 29 CFR 1910.133: Eye and Face Protection.

Skin and body protection

: Wear suitable protective clothing, e.g. - lab coats, coveralls or flame resistant clothing.

Respiratory protection

: None necessary during normal and routine operations.

Thermal hazard protection

: None necessary during normal and routine operations.

Environmental exposure controls

: Refer to local regulations for restriction of emissions to the atmosphere. See section 13 for specific methods for waste gas treatment.

Other information

: Wear safety shoes while handling containers. 29 CFR 1910.136: Foot Protection.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	: Gas
Appearance	: Clear, colorless gas.
Color	: Colorless
Odor	: Odorless
Odor threshold	: No data available
pH	: No data available
Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1)	: No data available
Relative evaporation rate (ether=1)	: Not applicable for gas-mixtures.
Melting point	: No data available
Freezing point	: No data available
Boiling point	: No data available
Flash point	: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	: No data available
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: See Section 2.1 and 2.2
Vapor pressure	: No data available
Relative vapor density at 20 °C	: No data available
Relative density	: No data available
Relative gas density	: Heavier than air.
Solubility	: Water: Solubility in water of component(s) of the mixture : • : 61 mg/l • :
Log Pow	: No data available
Log Kow	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Explosive properties	: No data available
Oxidizing properties	: None.
Explosive limits	: No data available

9.2. Other information

Additional information

: Gas/vapour heavier than air. May accumulate in confined spaces, particularly at or below ground level.

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SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

None known.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

None known.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

None under recommended storage and handling conditions (see section 7).

10.5. Incompatible materials

None known.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity : Not classified

Argon (7440-37-1)

LC50 inhalation rat (ppm)	820000 ppm/4h
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Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

LD50 oral rat	72 mg/kg
LC50 inhalation rat (ppm)	1460 ppm/4h
ATE US (oral)	72.000 mg/kg body weight
ATE US (gases)	1460.000 ppmV/4h

Skin corrosion/irritation : Not classified

Serious eye damage/irritation : Not classified

Respiratory or skin sensitization : May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Germ cell mutagenicity : May cause genetic defects (Inhalation).

Carcinogenicity : May cause cancer.

Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

IARC group	1 - Carcinogenic to humans
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National Toxicology Program (NTP) Status	1 - Evidence of Carcinogenicity, 2 - Known Human Carcinogens
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Reproductive toxicity : May damage fertility or the unborn child.

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) : May cause respiratory irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) : Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

Symptoms/injuries after inhalation : May cause respiratory irritation. May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice.

Symptoms/injuries after skin contact : May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Symptoms/injuries after eye contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Symptoms/injuries after ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Symptoms/injuries upon intravenous administration : Not known.

Chronic symptoms : May cause an allergic skin reaction. May cause cancer. May cause genetic defects. May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure (Inhalation).

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

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Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

LC50 fish 1	73 - 96 mg/l (Exposure time: 96 h - Species: Pimephales promelas)
EC50 Daphnia 1	137 - 300 mg/l (Exposure time: 48 h - Species: Daphnia magna)

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Argon (7440-37-1)

Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.
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Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

Persistence and degradability	The substance is biodegradable. Unlikely to persist.
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12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Argon (7440-37-1)

Log Pow	Not applicable for inorganic gases.
Bioaccumulative potential	No ecological damage caused by this product.

Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

Log Pow	-0.3
Bioaccumulative potential	Not expected to bioaccumulate due to the low log Kow (log Kow < 4). Refer to section 9.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Argon (7440-37-1)

Ecology - soil	No ecological damage caused by this product.
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Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

Ecology - soil	Because of its high volatility, the product is unlikely to cause ground or water pollution.
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12.5. Other adverse effects

Effect on ozone layer :

Effect on the global warming : No known ecological damage caused by this product.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste treatment methods	: Contact supplier if guidance is required. Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous. Ensure that the emission levels from local regulations or operating permits are not exceeded.
Waste disposal recommendations	: Refer to the CGA Pamphlet P-63 "Disposal of Gases" available at www.cganet.com for more guidance on suitable disposal methods.
Additional information	: None.

SECTION 14: Transport information

In accordance with DOT

Transport document description	: UN1956 Compressed gas, n.o.s., 2.2
UN-No.(DOT)	: UN1956
Proper Shipping Name (DOT)	: Compressed gas, n.o.s.
Department of Transportation (DOT) Hazard Classes	: 2.2 - Class 2.2 - Non-flammable compressed gas 49 CFR 173.115
Hazard labels (DOT)	: 2.2 - Non-flammable gas



DOT Symbols	: G - Identifies PSN requiring a technical name
DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx)	: 306;307
DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx)	: 302;305
DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx)	: 314;315
DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail (49 CFR 173.27)	: 75 kg

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DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 : 150 kg
CFR 175.75)

DOT Vessel Stowage Location : A - The material may be stowed "on deck" or "under deck" on a cargo vessel and on a passenger vessel.

Additional information

Other information : No supplementary information available.

ADR

Transport document description : UN 1956, 2.2, (E)
Class (ADR) : 2 - Gases
Hazard identification number (Kemler No.) : 20
Classification code (ADR) : 1A
Hazard labels (ADR) : 2.2 - Non-flammable compressed gas



Orange plates : 

Tunnel restriction code (ADR) : E
LQ : 120ml
Excepted quantities (ADR) : E1

Transport by sea

UN-No. (IMDG) : 1956
Proper Shipping Name (IMDG) : COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.
Class (IMDG) : 2.2 - Non-flammable, non-toxic gases

Air transport

UN-No.(IATA) : 1956
Proper Shipping Name (IATA) : COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.
Class (IATA) : 2

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. US Federal regulations

Argon (7440-37-1)

Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory

Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory

Listed on the United States SARA Section 302

Listed on United States SARA Section 313

SARA Section 302 Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ)	1000
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SARA Section 313 - Emission Reporting	0.1 %
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15.2. International regulations

CANADA

Argon (7440-37-1)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

WHMIS Classification	Class A - Compressed Gas
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Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

WHMIS Classification	Class A - Compressed Gas Class B Division 1 - Flammable Gas Class D Division 1 Subdivision A - Very toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects Class D Division 2 Subdivision A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects Class E - Corrosive Material Class F - Dangerously Reactive Material
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EU-Regulations

Argon (7440-37-1)

Listed on the EEC inventory EINECS (European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances)

Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

Listed on the EEC inventory EINECS (European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances)

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Not classified

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC [DSD] or 1999/45/EC [DPD]

15.2.2. National regulations

Argon (7440-37-1)

Listed on the AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)

Listed on IECSC (Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China)

Listed on the Korean ECL (Existing Chemicals List)

Listed on NZIoC (New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals)

Listed on PICCS (Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances)

Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

Listed on IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

Listed on the AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)

Listed on IECSC (Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China)

Listed on the Japanese ENCS (Existing & New Chemical Substances) inventory

Listed on the Japanese ISHL (Industrial Safety and Health Law)

Listed on the Korean ECL (Existing Chemicals List)

Listed on NZIoC (New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals)

Listed on PICCS (Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances)

Japanese Poisonous and Deleterious Substances Control Law

Japanese Pollutant Release and Transfer Register Law (PRTR Law)

Listed as carcinogen on NTP (National Toxicology Program)

Listed on the Canadian IDL (Ingredient Disclosure List)

15.3. US State regulations

Ethylene oxide (75-21-8)

U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	No significance risk level (NSRL)
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 µg/day

Argon (7440-37-1)

U.S. - Massachusetts - Right To Know List

U.S. - New Jersey - Right to Know Hazardous Substance List

U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) List

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U.S. - Massachusetts - Right To Know List

U.S. - New Jersey - Right to Know Hazardous Substance List

U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) - Environmental Hazard List

U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) - Special Hazardous Substances

U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) List

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SECTION 16: Other information

Indication of changes : Revised safety data sheet in accordance with OSHA final rule on GHS implementation promulgated March 26, 2012.

Other information : This Safety Data Sheet is offered pursuant to OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR, 1910.1200. Other government regulations must be reviewed for applicability to this product.

Full text of H-phrases:

Acute Tox. 3 (Inhalation:gas)	Acute toxicity (inhalation:gas) Category 3
Carc. 1B	Carcinogenicity Category 1B
Compressed gas	Gases under pressure Compressed gas
Flam. Gas 1	Flammable gases Category 1
Liquefied gas	Gases under pressure Liquefied gas
Muta. 1B	Germ cell mutagenicity Category 1B
Repr. 1A	Reproductive toxicity Category 1A
Skin Irrit. 2	Skin corrosion/irritation Category 2
Skin Sens. 1	Skin sensitization Category 1
Skin Sens. 1B	Skin sensitization Category 1B
STOT RE 1	Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) Category 1
STOT SE 3	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) Category 3
H220	Extremely flammable gas
H280	Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated
H315	Causes skin irritation
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction
H331	Toxic if inhaled
H335	May cause respiratory irritation
H340	May cause genetic defects (Inhalation)
H350	May cause cancer
H360	May damage fertility or the unborn child
H372	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

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