



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET - CALIBRATION CHECK GAS

PRODUCT NAME: METHANE (4-75%) IN NITROGEN

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1. Chemical Product and Company Identification

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PRODUCT NAME: METHANE (4-75%) IN NITROGEN

CHEMICAL NAME: CH₄ in N₂

COMMON NAMES/ SYNONYMS: None

TDG (Canada) CLASSIFICATION: 2.1

WHIMIS CLASSIFICATION: A

2. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

INGREDIENT	%VOLUME	PEL-OSHA	TLV-ACGIH	LD ₅₀ or LC ₅₀ Route/Species
Methane FORMULA: CH ₄	4 -75	None Established	Simple Asphyxiate	N/A
NITROGEN FORMULA: Mixture	25 to 96	None Established	Simple Asphyxiate	N/A

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

This product is a colorless, odorless gas. This product does not contain oxygen and may cause asphyxia if released in a confined area. Methane concentrations >14.3% in nitrogen are flammable and may cause fire or explosion. Keep flammable mixtures away from heat, sparks and flames. Due to the small size of this cylinder of gas, no unusual health effects from over-exposure are anticipated under routine circumstances of use.

ROUTE OF ENTRY:

Skin Contact No	Skin Absorption No	Eye Contact No	Inhalation Yes	Ingestion No
HEALTH EFFECTS:				
Exposure Limits No	Irritant No	Sensitization No	Reproductive Hazard No	Mutagen No

Carcinogenicity: --NTP: No IARC: No OSHA: No

EYE EFFECTS:

N/A

SKIN EFFECTS:

N/A



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INGESTION EFFECTS:

Ingestion unlikely. Gas at room temperature.

INHALATION EFFECTS:

Due to the small size of this cylinder of gas, no unusual health effects from over-exposure are anticipated under routine circumstances of use.

NFPA HAZARD CODES

Health: 0
Flammability: 4
Reactivity: 0

HMIS HAZARD CODES

Health: 0
Flammability: 4
Reactivity: 0

RATING SYSTEM

0= No Hazard
1= Slight Hazard
2= Moderate Hazard
3= Serious Hazard
4= Severe Hazard

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

EYES:

N/A

SKIN:

N/A

INGESTION:

Not required

INHALATION:

PROMPT MEDICAL ATTENTION IS MANDATORY IN ALL CASES OF OVEREXPOSURE. RESCUE PERSONNEL SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH THE SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS. Victims should be assisted to an uncontaminated area and inhale fresh NITROGEN. Quick removal from the contaminated area is most important. If breathing has stopped administer artificial resuscitation and supplemental oxygen. Further treatment should be symptomatic and supportive.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

These containers hold gas under pressure, with no liquid phase. If involved in a major fire, they should be sprayed with water to avoid pressure increases, otherwise pressures will rise and ultimately they may distort or burst to release the contents. The gases will not add significantly to the fire, but containers or fragments may be projected considerable distances - thereby hampering fire fighting efforts.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

In terms of weight, these containers hold very little contents, such that any accidental release by puncturing etc. will be of no practical concern.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Suck back of water into the container must be prevented. Do not allow backfeed into the container. Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. Use only in well-ventilated areas. Do not heat cylinder by any means to increase rate of product from the cylinder. Do not allow the temperature where cylinders are stored to exceed 130°F (54°C).

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Use adequate ventilation for extended use of gas.



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9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PARAMETER:	VALUE:
Physical state	: Gas
Evaporation point	: N/A
pH	: N/A
Odor and appearance	: Colorless, odorless gas

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stable under normal conditions. Expected shelf life 24 months.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No toxicological damage caused by this product.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No ecological damage caused by this product.

13. DISPOSAL INFORMATION

Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous. Used containers are acceptable for disposal in the normal waste stream as long as the cylinder is empty and valve removed or cylinder wall is punctured; but GASCO encourages the consumer to return cylinders.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

	<u>United States DOT</u>	<u>Canada TDG</u>
PROPER SHIPPING NAME:	Compressed Gases, flammable, N.O.S. (Methane in Nitrogen)	Compressed Gases, flammable, N.O.S. (Methane)
HAZARD CLASS:	2.1	2.1
IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:	UN1954	UN1954
SHIPPING LABEL:	FLAMMABLE GAS	FLAMMABLE GAS

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Methane is listed under the accident prevention provisions of section 112® of the Clean Air Act (CAA) with a threshold quantity (TQ) of 10,000 pounds.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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