

AIRGAS INC -- LIQUIFIED NITROGEN (CRYOGENIC) -- 6830-00-616-9183

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Product Identification  
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Status Code:A

MSDS Number: CLMXL

=== Responsible Party ===

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State:PA

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Country:US

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Composition/Information on Ingredients  
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Ingred Name:NITROGEN

CAS:7727-37-9

RTECS #:QW9700000

Fraction by Wt: 99.995%

Ingred Name:MAXIMUM IMPURITIES

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Hazards Identificatio

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Reports of Carcinogenicity:NTP:NO IARC:NO OSHA:NO

Health Hazards Acute and Chronic:TARGET ORGANS: RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.

ACUTE: THE MOST SIGNIFICANT HAZARD ASSOCIATED WITH THIS GAS IS INHALATION OF OXYGEN-DEFICIENT ATMOSPHERES. SYMPTOMS OF OXYGEN DEFICIENCY INCLUDE RESPIRATORY DIFFICULTY, HEADACHE, DIZZINESS AND NAUSEA. AT HIGH CONCENTRATIONS, UNCONSCIOUSNESS OR DEATH MAY OCCUR. CONTACT WITH CRYOGENIC LIQUID OR RAPIDLY EXPANDING GASES MAY CAUSE

FROSTBITE. CHRONIC: THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO KNOWN ADVERSE HEALTH EFFECTS ASSOCIATED WITH CHRONIC EXPOSURE TO NITROGEN.

Explanation of Carcinogenicity:NITROGEN IS NOT FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING LISTS: FEDERAL OSHA Z LIST, NTP, CAL/OSHA, IARC; THEREFORE IT IS NOT CONSIDERED TO BE, NOR SUSPECTED TO BE A CANCER-CAUSING AGENT BY THESE AGENCIES

Effects of Overexposure:INHALATION: HIGH CONCENTRATIONS OF THIS GAS CAN CAUSE AN OXYGEN-DEFICIENT ENVIRONMENT. INDIVIDUALS BREATHING SUCH A

N ATMOSPHERE MAY EXPERIENCE SYMPTOMS WHICH INCLUDE HEADACHES, RINGING IN EARS, DIZZINESS, DROWSINESS, UNCONSCIOUSNESS, NAUSEA, VOMITING, AND DEPRESSION OF ALL THE SENSES. THE SKIN OF A VICTIM MAY HAVE A BLUE COLOR. UNDER SOME CIRCUMSTANCES, DEATH MAY OCCUR. EXPOSURE TO DIFFERENT CONCENTRATIONS OF NITROGEN MAY INCREASE HEART&PULSE RATE, EMOTIONAL UPSET,ABNORMAL FTIQYUW,DISTURBED RESPIRATION, NAUSEA&VOMITING,COLLAPSE OR LOSS OF CONSCIOUSNESS, POSSIBLE RESPIRATORY COLL

APSE&DEATH,CONVULSION MOVEMENTS&DISTURBED MUSCULAR COORD

Medical Cond Aggravated by Exposure:PRE-EXISTING RESPIRATORY CONDITIONS MAY BE AGGRAVATED BY OVEREXPOSURE TO NITROGEN.

===== First Aid Measures =====

First Aid:RESCUERS SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO RETRIEVE VICTIMS OF EXPOSURE TO NITROGENWITHOUT ADEQUATE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. AT A MINIMUM, SELF-CONTAINEDBREATHING APPARATUS AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING SHOULD BE WORN.REMOVE VICTIM(S)

TO FRESH AIR, AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. ADMINISTER OXYGEN AND/OR CARDIO-PULMONARY RESUSCITATION, IF NECESSARY. IN CASE OF FROSTBITE, PLACE THE FROSTBITTEN PART IN WARM WATER. DO NOT USE HOT WATER,IF NOT AVAILABLE WRAP THE AFFECTED PARTS GENTLY IN BLANKETS. SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION.IF FINGERS OR HANDS ARE FROSTBITTEN PLACE AFFECTED AREA OF THE BODY IN THE ARMPIT. SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION

===== Fire Fighting Measures =====

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Lower Limits:NOT APPLICAB

Upper Limits:NOT APPLICAB

Extinguishing Media:NON-FLAMMABLE, INERT GAS. USE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA APPROPRIATE FOR SURROUNDING FIRE.

Fire Fighting Procedures:STRUCTURAL FIRE-FIGHTERS MUST WEAR SELF CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS AND FULL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT. MOVE FIRE-EXPOSED CYLINDERS IF IT CAN BE DONE WITHOUT RISK TO FIREFIGHTERS. OTHERWISE, COOL CONTAINERS WITH HOSE STREAM AND PROTECT PERSONNEL. WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY IN CASE OF RISING SOUNDS FROM VENTING SAFETY DEVICE.

Unusual Fire/Explosion Hazard:NITROGEN DOES NOT BURN; HOWEVER, CONTAINERS, WHEN INVOLVED IN FIRE, MAY RUTPURE OR BURST IN THE HEAT OF THE FIRE.

===== Accidental Release Measures =====

Spill Release Procedures:EVACUATE ALL PERSONNEL FROM RELEASE AREA. USE APPROPRIATE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT.LOCATE AND SEAL THE SOURCE OF THE LEAKING GAS.ALLOW THE GAS TO DISSIPATE.MONITOR THE AREA FOR SURROUNDING O

XYGEN LEVELS.A TTEMPT TO CLOSE THE MAIN SOURCE VALVE PRIOR TO ENTERING THE AREA.IF THIS DOES NOT STOP THE RELEASE, ALLOW THE GAS TO RELEASE IN PLACE OR REMOVE TO A SAFE AREA AND ALLOW THE GAS TO BE RELEASED THERE.

Neutralizing Agent:NO INFORMATION GIVEN ON MSDS BY MFR.

===== Handling and Storage =====

Handling and Storage Precautions:CYLINDERS SHOULD BE STORED IN DRY,WELL-VENTILATED AREAS AWAY FROM SOURCES OF HEAT.COMPRESS GASES CAN PRESEN

T SIGNIFICANT SAFETY HAZARDS.STORE CONTAINERS AWAY FROM HEAVILY TRAFFICKED AREAS AND EMERGENC Y EXISTS.POST "NO SMOKING OR OPEN FLAMES" IN STORAGE OR USE AREAS.SEE OTHER PRECAUTION

Other Precautions:STORE AWAY FROM FLAMMABLE MATERIALS&CORROSIVE ATMOSPHERE.DO NOT ALLOW AREA WHERE CYLINDERS ARE STORED TO EXCEED 52C.PROTECT CYLINDERS AGAINST PHYSICAL DAMAGE.STORE AWAY FROM HEAT AND IGNITION SOURCES AND AWAY FROM DIRECT SUNLIGHT.DO NOT STORE CONTAINERS WHERE THEY MAY COME IN

CONTACT WITH MOISTURE.

===== Exposure Controls/Personal Protection =====

Respiratory Protection: MAINTAIN OXYGEN LEVELS ABOVE 15.5% IN THE WORKPLACE. USE SUPPLIED AIR RESPIRATORY PROTECTION IF OXYGEN LEVELS ARE BELOW 19.5% OR DURING EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO A RELEASE OF NITROGEN. IF RESPIRATORY PROTECTION IS REQUIRED, FOLLOW THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FEDERAL OSHA RESPIRATORY PROTECTION STANDARD (29 CFR 1910.134) OR EQUIVALENT STATE STANDARDS.

Ventilation: USE WITH ADEQUATE VENTILATION TO MAINTAIN OXYGEN LEVELS ABOVE 19.5% IN THE WORKPLACE. LOCAL EXHAUST VENTILATION IS PREFERRED, BECAUSE IT PREVENTS NITROGEN

Protective Gloves: WEAR MECHANICALLY RESISTANT-GLOVES WHEN HANDLING CYLINDERS OF NITROGEN. USE LOW

Eye Protection: SPLASH GOGGLES, FACE SHIELDS OR SAFETY GLASSES. FACE SHIELDS MUST BE WORN WHEN

Other Protective Equipment: USE BODY PROTECTION APPROPRIATE FOR TASK. TRANSFER OF LARGE QUANTITIES UNDER PRESSURE MAY REQUIRE PROTECTIVE

EQUIPMENT TO PROTECT EMPLOYEES FROM SPLASHES OF LIQUIFIED PRODUCT, AS WELL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT

Work Hygienic Practices: NOT PROVIDED BY MFR

Supplemental Safety and Health  
NOT PROVIDED BY MFR

===== Physical/Chemical Properties =====

HCC: G3

Boiling Pt: -195.6C, -320.4F

B.P. Text: @ 1 ATM

Melt/Freeze Pt: -210.C, -346.F

Vapor Density: 1.153KG/M3

Spec Gravity: 0.967 (AIR=1)

Solubility in Water: 1.49% (V/V)

Appearance and Odor: NITROGEN IS A COLORLESS, ODORLESS GAS OR A COLORLESS

& ODORLESS CRYOGENIC LIQUID

===== Stability and Reactivity Data =====

TITANIUM, NEODYMIUM, LITHIUM, ZIRCONIUM AND OZONE REACT WITH NITROGEN. CALCIUM, STRONTIUM, AND BARIUM WILL REACT WITH RED HEAT TO FORM NITRIDES. HYDROGEN REACTS ON SPARKING TO FORM AMMONIA. LIQUID NITROGEN IN CRYOGENIC STATE

Stability Condition to Avoid: NORMALLY STABLE IN GASEOUS STATE. WITH CRYOGENIC LIQUID, WHEN EXPOSED TO AIR, OXYGEN IN THE AIR MAY CONDENSE INTO THE

LIQUID NITROGEN.

Hazardous Decomposition Products:NO HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION,  
HOWEVER,LIQUID NITROGEN CONTAMINATED WITH OXYGEN MAY PRESENT THE  
SAME HAZARDS AS LIQUID OXYGEN AND COULD REACT VIOLENTLY WITH  
ORGANIC MATERIALS SUCH AS OIL AND GREASE

Conditions to Avoid Polymerization:WILL NOT OCCUR

===== Toxicological Information =====

Toxicological Information:CONTACT WITH RAPIDLY EXPANDING GAS CAN CAUSE  
FROSTBITE AND DAMAGE TO EXPOSED SKIN AND EYES. NI

TROGEN IS NOT A

SENSITIZER UPON PROLONGED OR REPEATED CONTACT.NITROGEN IS NOT  
CONSIDERED TO BE CANCER CAUSING AGENT.MUTAGENICITY; NITROGEN IS  
NOT EXPECTED TO CAUSE MUTAGENIC EFFECTS IN HUMANS.

EMBRYOTOXICITY;NITROGEN IS NOT EXPECTED TO CAUSE EMBYOTOXIC EFFECTS  
IN HUMANS.TERATOGENICITY;NITROGEN IS NOT EXPE CTED TO CAUSE  
TERATOGENIC EFFECTS IN HUMANS.REPRODUCTIVE TOXICITY;NITROGEN IS NOT  
EXPECTED TO CAUSE ADVERSE REPRODUCTIVE EFFECTS IN HUMANS.

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Ecological Information =====

Ecological:NITROGEN OCCURS NATURALLY IN THE ATMOSPHERE, ANY ADVERSE  
EFFECTS ON ANIMALS WOULD BE RELATED TO OXYGEN DEFICIENT  
ENVIRONMENT. NO ADVERSE EFFECT IS ANTICIPATED TO OCCUR TO PLANT  
LIFE, EXCEPT FOR FROST PRODUCED IN THE PRESENCE OF RAPIDLY  
EXPANDING GASES.

===== Disposal Considerations =====

Waste Disposal Methods:WASTE DISPOSAL MUST BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
APPROPRIATE FEDERAL, STATE AND LO  
CAL REGULATIONS. RETURN CYLINDERS  
WITH ANY RESIDUAL PRODUCT TO AIRGAS INC. DO NOT DISPOSE OF LOCALLY.

===== MSDS Transport Information =====

Transport Information:THIS MATERIAL IS HAZARDOUS AS DEFINED BY 49 CFR  
172.01 BY THE US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. PROPER SHIPPING  
NAME; NITROGEN REFRIGERATED LIQUID. HAZARD CLASS NUMBER 2.2 (NONE  
FLAMMABLE GAS). UN IDENTIFICATION NUMBER; UN 1977. DOT LABEL; NONE  
FLAMMABLE GAS. NITROGEN IS NOT CLASSIF

IED BY THE DOT AS A MARINE  
POLLUTANT. TRANSPORT CANADA; THIS MATERIAL IS CONSIDERED AS  
DANGEROUS GOODS.

===== Regulatory Information =====

SARA Title III Information:NITRGOEN IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE REPORTING  
REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 302,304, AND 313 OF TITLE III OF THE  
SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT. U.S. SARA THRESHOLD  
PLANNING QUANTITY:NOT APPLICABLE .

Federal Regulatory Information:U.S. CERCLA REPORTABLE QUANTITY (RQ):  
NO

T APPLICABLE. U.S. TSCA INVENTORY STATUS: NITROGEN IS ON THE TSCA  
INVENTORY.

State Regulatory Information:NITROGEN IS COVERED UNDER THE FOLLOWING  
SPECIFIC STATE REGULATIONS; ALASKA, CALIFORNIA, FLORIDA, KANSAS,  
MASSACHUSETTS, MICHIGAN, MINNESOTA, MISSOURI, NEW JERSEY, NORTH  
DAKOTA, PENNSYLVANIA, RHODE ISL AND, TEXAS, WISCONSIN

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