# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**



Nonflammable Gas Mixture: Argon 1ppm-98% / Carbon Dioxide 2-99.9999%

## Section 1. Identification

GHS product identifier	: Nonflammable Gas Mixture: Argon 1ppm-98% / Carbon Dioxide 2-99.9999%
Other means of identification	: Not available.
Product type	: Gas.
Product use	: Synthetic/Analytical chemistry.
SDS #	: 002004
Supplier's details	: Airgas USA, LLC and its affiliates 259 North Radnor-Chester Road Suite 100 Radnor, PA 19087-5283 1-610-687-5253
24-hour telephone	: 1-866-734-3438

## Section 2. Hazards identification

OSHA/HCS status	: This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).
Classification of the substance or mixture	: GASES UNDER PRESSURE - Compressed gas
GHS label elements	
Hazard pictograms	
Signal word	: Warning
Hazard statements	<ul> <li>Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.</li> <li>May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.</li> <li>May increase respiration and heart rate.</li> </ul>
Precautionary statements	
General	: Read and follow all Safety Data Sheets (SDS'S) before use. Read label before use. Keep out of reach of children. If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand. Close valve after each use and when empty. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure. Do not open valve until connected to equipment prepared for use. Use a back flow preventative device in the piping. Use only equipment of compatible materials of construction.
Prevention	: Not applicable.
Response	: Not applicable.
Storage	: Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.
Disposal	: Not applicable.
Hazards not otherwise classified	: In addition to any other important health or physical hazards, this product may displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.

## Section 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### Substance/mixture : Mixture Other means of identification **Product code**

: 002004

Ingredient name	%	CAS number
	2 - 99.9999	124-38-9
Argon	0.0001 - 98	7440-37-1

Any concentration shown as a range is to protect confidentiality or is due to batch variation.

There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section.

Occupational exposure limits, if available, are listed in Section 8.

## Section 4. First aid measures

#### **Description of necessary first aid measures**

Eye contact	Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Check for and remove any contact lenses. Continue to rinse for at least 10 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation occurs.	
Inhalation	Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If not breathing, if breathing is irregular or if respiratory arrest occurs, provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel. It may be dangerous to the person provide aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Get medical attention if adverse health effect persist or are severe. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a colla- tie, belt or waistband.	ling ects
Skin contact	Flush contaminated skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention if symptoms occur. Wash clothing before reuse. Clear shoes thoroughly before reuse.	۱
Ingestion	As this product is a gas, refer to the inhalation section.	
Most important symptoms/	cts, acute and delayed	
Potential acute health effe		
Eye contact	Contact with rapidly expanding gas may cause burns or frostbite.	
Inhalation	No known significant effects or critical hazards.	
Skin contact	Contact with rapidly expanding gas may cause burns or frostbite.	
Frostbite	Try to warm up the frozen tissues and seek medical attention.	
Ingestion	As this product is a gas, refer to the inhalation section.	
Over-exposure signs/sym		
Eye contact	No specific data.	
Inhalation	No specific data.	
Skin contact	No specific data.	
Ingestion	No specific data.	
Indication of immediate me	al attention and special treatment needed, if necessary	
Notes to physician	Treat symptomatically. Contact poison treatment specialist immediately if large quantities have been ingested or inhaled.	
Specific treatments	No specific treatment.	
Protection of first-aiders	No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. It ma be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.	у

#### See toxicological information (Section 11)

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## Section 5. Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media	
Suitable extinguishing media	: Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	: None known.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	: Contains gas under pressure. In a fire or if heated, a pressure increase will occur and the container may burst or explode.
Hazardous thermal decomposition products	: Decomposition products may include the following materials: carbon dioxide carbon monoxide
Special protective actions for fire-fighters	: Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Contact supplier immediately for specialist advice. Move containers from fire area if this can be done without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	: Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.

## Section 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protect	ctive equipment and emergency procedures
For non-emergency personnel	: No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Avoid breathing gas. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.
For emergency responders	: If specialized clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in Section 8 on suitable and unsuitable materials. See also the information in "For non-emergency personnel".
Environmental precautions	: Ensure emergency procedures to deal with accidental gas releases are in place to avoid contamination of the environment. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air).
Methods and materials for co	ontainment and cleaning up

Small spill	: Immediately contact emergency personnel. Stop leak if without risk.
Large spill	<ul> <li>Immediately contact emergency personnel. Stop leak if without risk. Note: see Section</li> <li>1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.</li> </ul>

## Section 7. Handling and storage

### Precautions for safe handling

Protective measures	<ul> <li>Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Contains gas under pressure. Avoid breathing gas. Do not puncture or incinerate container. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure. Close valve after each use and when empty. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. Use a suitable hand truck for cylinder movement.</li> <li>Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Empty containers retain product residue and can be hazardous.</li> </ul>
Advice on general occupational hygiene	<ul> <li>Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.</li> </ul>

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## Section 7. Handling and storage

Conditions for safe storage,	: Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in a segregated and approved area.
including any	Store away from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from
incompatibilities	incompatible materials (see Section 10). Cylinders should be stored upright, with valve
	protection cap in place, and firmly secured to prevent falling or being knocked over.
	Cylinder temperatures should not exceed 52 °C (125 °F). Keep container tightly closed
	and sealed until ready for use. See Section 10 for incompatible materials before
	handling or use.

## Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

#### **Control parameters**

#### **Occupational exposure limits**

Ingredient name	Exposure limits	
Carbon Dioxide	ACGIH TLV (United States, 3/2017). Oxygen Depletion [Asphyxiant]. STEL: 54000 mg/m³ 15 minutes. STEL: 30000 ppm 15 minutes. TWA: 9000 mg/m³ 8 hours. TWA: 5000 ppm 8 hours. NIOSH REL (United States, 10/2016). STEL: 54000 mg/m³ 15 minutes. STEL: 30000 ppm 15 minutes. TWA: 9000 mg/m³ 10 hours. TWA: 5000 ppm 10 hours. TWA: 5000 ppm 10 hours. TWA: 5000 ppm 3 hours. TWA: 5000 ppm 8 hours. TWA: 5000 ppm 8 hours. STEL: 54000 mg/m³ 15 minutes. STEL: 54000 mg/m³ 15 minutes. STEL: 30000 ppm 15 minutes.	
Argon	TWA: 10000 ppm 8 hours. ACGIH TLV (United States, 3/2017). Oxygen Depletion [Asphyxiant].	
Appropriate engineering controls Environmental exposure controls	<ul> <li>Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control worker exposure to airborne contaminants.</li> <li>Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. In some cases, fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.</li> </ul>	
ndividual protection meas	<u>ures</u>	
Hygiene measures	: Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.	
Eye/face protection	: Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists,	

# Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts. If contact is possible, the following protection should be worn, unless the assessment indicates a higher degree of protection: safety glasses with side-shields.

#### **Skin protection**

## Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Hand protection	: Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Considering the parameters specified by the glove manufacturer, check during use that the gloves are still retaining their protective properties. It should be noted that the time to breakthrough for any glove material may be different for different glove manufacturers. In the case of mixtures, consisting of several substances, the protection time of the gloves cannot be accurately estimated.
Body protection	: Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.
Other skin protection	: Appropriate footwear and any additional skin protection measures should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.
Respiratory protection	: Based on the hazard and potential for exposure, select a respirator that meets the appropriate standard or certification. Respirators must be used according to a respiratory protection program to ensure proper fitting, training, and other important aspects of use. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

## Section 9. Physical and chemical properties

<u>Appearance</u>		
Physical state	1	Gas.
Color	1	Not available.
Odor	1	Not available.
Odor threshold	:	Not available.
рН	1	Not available.
Melting point	1	-189.2°C (-308.6°F) This is based on data for the following ingredient: argon.
Boiling point	:	Not available.
Critical temperature	1	Lowest known value: -122.4°C (-188.3°F) (argon).
Flash point	1	Not available.
Evaporation rate	1	Not available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	1	Not available.
Lower and upper explosive (flammable) limits	1	Not available.
Vapor pressure	:	Not available.
Vapor density	1	Highest known value: 1.66 (Air = 1) (argon). Weighted average: 1.58 (Air = 1)
Gas Density (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	:	Weighted average: 0.11
Relative density	:	Not applicable.
Solubility	1	Not available.
Solubility in water	1	Not available.
Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	:	Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	:	Not available.
Decomposition temperature	:	Not available.
Viscosity	:	Not applicable.
Flow time (ISO 2431)	:	Not available.

## Section 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	: No specific test data related to reactivity available for this product or its ingredients.
Chemical stability	: The product is stable.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.
Conditions to avoid	: No specific data.
Incompatible materials	: No specific data.
Hazardous decomposition products	: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

**Hazardous polymerization** : Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous polymerization will not occur.

## Section 11. Toxicological information

#### Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity** 

Not available.

#### Irritation/Corrosion

Not available.

#### **Sensitization**

Not available.

#### **Mutagenicity**

Not available.

#### **Carcinogenicity**

Not available.

#### **Reproductive toxicity**

Not available.

#### **Teratogenicity**

Not available.

#### Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

Not available.

#### Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)

Not available.

#### **Aspiration hazard**

Not available.

#### Information on the likely : Not available.

#### routes of exposure Potential acute health effects Eye contact : Contact with rapidly expanding gas may cause burns or frostbite. Inhalation : No known significant effects or critical hazards. **Skin contact** : Contact with rapidly expanding gas may cause burns or frostbite.

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## Section 11. Toxicological information

Ingestion

: As this product is a gas, refer to the inhalation section.

Symptoms related to the phy	vsical, chemical and toxicological characteristics
Eye contact	: No specific data.
Inhalation	: No specific data.
Skin contact	: No specific data.
Ingestion	: No specific data.
<u>Delayed and immediate effec</u> <u>Short term exposure</u> Potential immediate effects	<ul> <li>cts and also chronic effects from short and long term exposure</li> <li>Not available.</li> </ul>
Potential delayed effects	: Not available.
Long term exposure	
Potential immediate effects	: Not available.
Potential delayed effects	: Not available.

#### Potential chronic health effects

Not available.

General	: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Carcinogenicity	: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Mutagenicity	: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Teratogenicity	: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Developmental effects	: No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Fertility effects	: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

#### Numerical measures of toxicity

Acute toxicity estimates

Not available.

## Section 12. Ecological information

#### **Toxicity**

Not available.

#### Persistence and degradability

Not available.

#### **Bioaccumulative potential**

Product/ingredient name	LogPow	BCF	Potential
Carbon Dioxide	0.83	-	low
Argon	0.74	-	low

#### Mobility in soil

Soil/water partition coefficient (Koc)

: Not available.

Other adverse effects	÷	No known significant effects or critical

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## Section 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal methods** 

: The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized wherever possible. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Waste should not be disposed of untreated to the sewer unless fully compliant with the requirements of all authorities with jurisdiction. Empty Airgas-owned pressure vessels should be returned to Airgas. Waste packaging should be recycled. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. Do not puncture or incinerate container.

## Section 14. Transport information

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UN number	UN1956	UN1956	UN1956	UN1956	UN1956
UN proper shipping name	COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S. (argon, Carbon dioxide)				
Transport hazard class(es)	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Packing group	-	-	-	-	-
Environmental hazards	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.

"Refer to CFR 49 (or authority having jurisdiction) to determine the information required for shipment of the product."

#### **Additional information**

TDG Classification	:	Product classified as per the following sections of the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations: 2.13-2.17 (Class 2). Explosive Limit and Limited Quantity Index 0.125 Passenger Carrying Road or Rail Index 75
Special precautions for user	:	<b>Transport within user's premises:</b> always transport in closed containers that are upright and secure. Ensure that persons transporting the product know what to do in the event of an accident or spillage.
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code	:	Not available.

## Section 15. Regulatory information

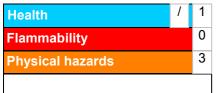
U.S. Federal regulations	: TSCA 8(a) CDR Exempt/Partial exemption: All components are listed or exempted.
Clean Air Act Section 112 (b) Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)	: Not listed
Clean Air Act Section 602 Class I Substances	: Not listed

## Section 15. Regulatory information

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Clean Air Act Section 602 Class II Substances	: Not listed
DEA List I Chemicals (Precursor Chemicals)	: Not listed
DEA List II Chemicals (Essential Chemicals)	: Not listed
<u>SARA 302/304</u>	
Composition/information	on ingredients
No products were found.	
SARA 304 RQ	: Not applicable.
<u>SARA 311/312</u>	
Classification	: Refer to Section 2: Hazards Identification of this SDS for classification of substance.
State regulations	
Massachusetts	: The following components are listed: CARBON DIOXIDE; ARGON
New York	: None of the components are listed.
New Jersey	<ul> <li>The following components are listed: CARBON DIOXIDE; CARBONIC ACID GAS; ARGON</li> </ul>
Pennsylvania	: The following components are listed: CARBON DIOXIDE; ARGON
International regulations	
Chemical Weapon Conver	ntion List Schedules I, II & III Chemicals
Not listed.	
Montreal Protocol (Annex	<u>es A, B, C, E)</u>
Not listed.	
Stockholm Convention or	<u>Persistent Organic Pollutants</u>
Not listed.	
Rotterdam Convention on	Prior Informed Consent (PIC)
Not listed.	
UNECE Aarhus Protocol o	on POPs and Heavy Metals
Not listed.	
Inventory list	
Australia	: All components are listed or exempted.
Canada	: All components are listed or exempted.
China	: All components are listed or exempted.
Europe	: All components are listed or exempted.
Japan	: Japan inventory (ENCS): Not determined. Japan inventory (ISHL): Not determined.
Malaysia	: Not determined.
New Zealand	: All components are listed or exempted.
Philippines	: All components are listed or exempted.
Republic of Korea	: All components are listed or exempted.
Taiwan	: All components are listed or exempted.
Thailand	: Not determined.
Turkey	: Not determined.
United States	: All components are listed or exempted.
Viet Nam	: Not determined.

## Section 16. Other information

#### Hazardous Material Information System (U.S.A.)



Caution: HMIS® ratings are based on a 0-4 rating scale, with 0 representing minimal hazards or risks, and 4 representing significant hazards or risks. Although HMIS® ratings and the associated label are not required on SDSs or products leaving a facility under 29 CFR 1910.1200, the preparer may choose to provide them. HMIS® ratings are to be used with a fully implemented HMIS® program. HMIS® is a registered trademark and service mark of the American Coatings Association, Inc.

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Classification GASES UNDER PRESSURE - Compressed gas		Justification
		On basis of test data
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Key to abbreviations	<ul> <li>ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate BCF = Bioconcentration Factor GHS = Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals IATA = International Air Transport Association IBC = Internediate Bulk Container IMDG = International Maritime Dangerous Goods LogPow = logarithm of the octanol/water partition coefficient MARPOL = International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution From Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978. ("Marpol" = marine pollution) UN = United Nations</li> </ul>	
	: Not available.	

#### Procedure used to derive the classification

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## Section 16. Other information

To the best of our knowledge, the information contained herein is accurate. However, neither the above-named supplier, nor any of its subsidiaries, assumes any liability whatsoever for the accuracy or completeness of the information contained herein.

Final determination of suitability of any material is the sole responsibility of the user. All materials may present unknown hazards and should be used with caution. Although certain hazards are described herein, we cannot guarantee that these are the only hazards that exist.