

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name : Carbon Dioxide  
Use : Fire Extinguishing and Propellant  
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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazards identification : Liquified gas.  
: In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance name	Contents	CAS No	EC No	Annex No	Classification
Carbon Dioxide	100%	124-38-9204-696-9	-----		

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation : In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Symptoms may include loss of mobility/consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation. Low concentrations of CO<sub>2</sub> cause increased respiration and headache. Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self-contained breathing apparatus. Keep victim warm and rested. Call a doctor. Apply artificial respiration if breathing stopped.

Skin/eye contact : Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. In case of frostbite spray with water for at least 15 minutes. Apply a sterile dressing. Obtain medical assistance.

Ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

## 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Not applicable as carbon dioxide is non-flammable and non-combustible. Exposure to fire may cause containers to rupture/explode.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

Personal precautions : Evacuate area.  
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus when entering area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe.

Environmental precautions : Ensure adequate air ventilation.  
: Try to stop release.  
Prevent entry to sewers, basements and workpits, or any place where its accumulation can be dangerous.

Clean up methods : Ventilate area.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Storage handling : Keep container below 50°C in a well ventilated place.  
Suck back of water into the container must be prevented.  
Do not allow backfeed into container.  
Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. Contact your gas supplier if in doubt.  
Refer to suppliers container handling instructions.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Personal protection : Ensure adequate ventilation.

Occupational Exposure Limits : Carbon dioxide : TLV<sup>©</sup>-TWA (ppm): 5000  
Carbon dioxide : TLV<sup>©</sup>-STEL (ppm): 30000  
Carbon dioxide : OEL (UK)-LTEL (ppm) : 5000  
Carbon dioxide : OEL (UK) -STEL (pm) : 15000  
Carbon dioxide : MAK – Germany (ppm) : 5000

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical state at 20°C : Liquefied gas.

Colour : Colourless

Odour : No odour warning properties.

Molecular weight : 44

Melting point (°C) : -56.6

Boiling point (°C) : -78.5 (s)

Critical temperature (°C) : 30

Vapour pressure (20°C) : 57.3bar

Relative density, gas (air=1) : 1.52

Solubility in water (mg/l) : 2000

Flammability range (vol% in air) : Non flammable

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

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability and reactivity : Stable under normal conditions.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity information : In high concentrations cause rapid circulatory insufficiency.  
Symptoms are headache, nausea and vomiting, which may lead to unconsciousness.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

- Ecological effects information : When discharged in large quantities may contribute to the greenhouse effect.
- Global warming factor (CO<sub>2</sub>=1) : 1

## 13. DISPOSAL

- General : Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous to atmosphere in a well vented place.  
Discharge to atmosphere in large quantities should be avoided.  
Contact supplier if guidance is require.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

- 14.1 When transported in a cartridge or side cylinder the cylinder is considered a class 2.2 hazard. The proper shipping name shall be CARBON DIOXIDE and the number is UN1013**

**UN Number**

UN 1013

**UN proper shipping name**

Carbon Dioxide

**Transport hazard class(es)**

2.2

**Packaging group**

Not applicable

- 14.2 When transported in a stored pressure or cartridge type fire extinguisher, the fire extinguisher is considered a class 2.2 hazard. The proper shipping name shall be FIRE EXTINGUISHER and the number is UN 1044.**

**UN Number**

UN 1044

**UN proper shipping name**

Fire extinguisher

**Transport hazard class(es)**

2.2

**Packaging group**

Not applicable

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

- EC Classification : Not included in Annex 1.  
Not classified as dangerous preparation/substance.
- EC Labelling : No EC labelling required.
- Symbols : None
- R Phase(s) : None
- S Phase(s) : None

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Training advice : Asphyxiant in high concentrations.  
Keep container in a well ventilated place.  
Do not breathe the gas.  
Contact with liquid may cause cold burns/frostbite.

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**PLEASE NOTE: For every 1kg of Co2 in your premises you must ensure you have 5.5 metres of space.**