

**Material Safety Data Sheet**

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**1 Identification of substance**

- **Product details**
- **Trade name: Acetylene**
- **Article number: 030-01-0003**
- **Creation date: 08/09/2006**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  

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**2 Composition/Data on components**

- **Chemical characterization:**
- **CAS No. Description**  
74-86-2 Acetylene
- **Identification number(s)**
- **EINECS Number: 200-816-9**  
601-015-00-0

**3 Hazards identification**

- **Hazard description:**



Highly flammable

- **WHMIS-symbols:**

A - Compressed gas  
 B1 - Flammable gas



- **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**

HEALTH	0	Health = 0
FIRE	4	Fire = 4
REACTIVITY	0	Reactivity = 0

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### · NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)

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Health = 0  
Fire = 4  
Reactivity = 0

### · Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment:

Heating may cause an explosion.  
Highly flammable.

### · Classification system:

The classification is in line with internationally approved calculation standards. It is expanded, however, by information from technical literature and by information furnished by supplier companies.

### · GHS label elements



**Danger**

2.2/1 - Extremely flammable gas.



**Warning**

2.5/D - Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

### · Prevention:

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

### · Response:

Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely.  
Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so.

### · Storage:

Store in a well-ventilated place.  
Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

## \* 4 First aid measures

### · After inhalation:

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration and consult doctor. Keep patient warm.

### · After skin contact:

Generally the product does not irritate the skin.

### · After eye contact:

Rinse opened eye for at least 15 minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

### · After swallowing:

Not applicable

## \* 5 Fire fighting measures

### · Suitable extinguishing agents:

Use fire fighting measures that suit the environment.

In the case of fires caused by ignited acetylene leaks:

- DO NOT extinguish unless it is possible (without risk) to shut-off gas flow; explosive vapours could form and re-ignition may occur.

Evacuate area as soon as possible.

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· **Protective equipment:** Wear self-contained respiratory protective device.

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### 6 Accidental release measures

· **Person-related safety precautions:**

- Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
- Ensure adequate ventilation.
- Stop leak - ONLY if possible to do so without risk.

· **Measures for environmental protection:** Prevent seepage into sewage system, workpits and/or cellars.

· **Measures for cleaning/collecting:** Ensure adequate ventilation.

### 7 Handling and storage

· **Handling:**

To open valve safely: Open fully and turn 1/4 back. Flow should not be obstructed, in an emergency the valve may be closed quickly.

· **Information for safe handling:**

- Keep away from heat and direct sunlight.
- Handle with care. Avoid jolting, friction, and impact.
- Use only in well ventilated areas.
- Do not mix with air or oxygen above atmospheric pressure.
- Store cylinders upright with valve protection cap in place and firmly secured to prevent falling or being knocked over.
- If difficulty with operating cylinder valve is experienced discontinue use and contact supplier.

· **Information about protection against explosions and fires:**

- Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.
- Protect from heat.
- Protect against electrostatic charges.
- Pressurized container: protect from sunlight and do not expose to temperatures exceeding 50°C. Do not pierce or burn, even after use.

· **Storage:**

· **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:**

- Store in a cool location.
- Do not expose cylinder to temperatures higher than 50°C (122 °F)

· **Information about storage in one common storage facility:**

- Store separately from cylinders containing oxygen or oxidants by a minimum distance of 20' or by a barrier of non-combustible material at least 5' high having a fire resistant rating of at least 30minutes.
- Sources of ignition should be removed from storage area.

· **Further information about storage conditions:**

- Keep cylinder valve tightly closed.
- Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed receptacles.
- Store cylinder in a well ventilated area.
- Store in accordance with local fire code and/or building code or any pertaining regulations.

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## 8 Exposure controls and personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:**

Adequate local ventilation.

Safety showers and eyewash stations should be nearby.

- **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

74-86-2 Acetylene (23-100%)

EL Simple asphyxiant

- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.

- **Personal protective equipment:**

- **General protective and hygienic measures:**

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Protective clothing should be kept free of oil and grease.

PPE should be inspected and maintained regularly to retain its effectiveness.

- **Breathing equipment:**

Use atmosphere-supplying respirators (e.g. supplied-air: demand, pressure-demand, or continuous-flow or self-contained breathing apparatus: demand or pressure-demand or combination supplied-air with auxiliary self-contained air supply atmosphere-supplying respirator) in case of insufficient ventilation.

- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves.

- **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.

- **Eye protection:** Safety glasses

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

- **General Information**

<b>Form:</b>	Gaseous.
<b>Color:</b>	Colorless
<b>Odor:</b>	Ether-like

- **Change in condition**

Melting point/Melting range: -80.8°C

Boiling point/Boiling range: -83°C

- **Flash point:**

&lt; 0°C

Not applicable.

- **Flammability (solid, gaseous):** Highly flammable.

- **Ignition temperature:**

325°C

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- **Danger of explosion:** In use, may form flammable/explosive vapour-air mixture. Heating may cause an explosion.
- **Explosion limits:**
  - Lower:** 2.3 Vol %
  - Upper:** 78> Vol %
- **Solubility in / Miscibility with Water at 20°C:** 1.185 g/l

### \* 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Dangerous reactions**
  - May form explosive gas mixture with air.
  - May react with oxidizing agents.
- **Dangerous products of decomposition:** No dangerous decomposition products known.

### 11 Toxicological information

- **Acute toxicity:**
- **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:** LC50 > 5000ppm
- **Primary irritant effect:**
  - **on the skin:** No irritating effect.
  - **on the eye:** No irritating effect.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.

### 12 Ecological information

- **General notes:** Generally not hazardous for water.

### \* 13 Disposal considerations

- **Product:**
- **Recommendation:** Unused product should be returned to vendor.
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:**
  - Cylinder and unused product should be returned to vendor. Disposable cylinder must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations.
- **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

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### 14 Transport information

· TDG and DOT regulations:



- Hazard class: 2
- Identification number: UN1001
- Packing group: -
- Proper shipping name (technical name): ACETYLENE, DISSOLVED
- Label: 2.1
- Packaging group: -

· Maritime transport IMDG:



- IMDG Class: 2.1
- UN Number: 1001
- Label: 2.1
- Packaging group: -
- EMS Number: F-D,S-U
- Marine pollutant: No
- Proper shipping name: ACETYLENE, DISSOLVED

· Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:



- ICAO/IATA Class: 2
- UN/ID Number: 1001
- Label: 2.1
- Packaging group: -
- Proper shipping name: ACETYLENE, DISSOLVED

· UN "Model Regulation": UN1001; ACETYLENE, DISSOLVED; 2.1; -

### 15 Regulations

· Sara

· Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):

Substance is not listed.

· Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):

Substance is not listed.

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**· TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):**

Substance is listed.

**· Proposition 65****· Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

Substance is not listed.

**· Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

Substance is not listed.

**· Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

Substance is not listed.

**· Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

Substance is not listed.

**· Cancerogenity categories****· EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

Substance is not listed.

**· NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

Substance is not listed.

**· TLV (Threshold Limit Value established by ACGIH)**

Substance is not listed.

**· NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

Substance is not listed.

**· OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)**

Substance is not listed.

**· Canadian substance listings:****· Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL)**

Substance is listed.

**· Canadian Ingredient Disclosure list (limit 0.1%)**

Substance is not listed.

**· Canadian Ingredient Disclosure list (limit 1%)**

Substance is not listed.

**· Product related hazard informations:**

The product was classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Canadian Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

**· Hazard symbols:**

Highly flammable

**· Risk phrases:**

Heating may cause an explosion.

Highly flammable.

**· Safety phrases:**

Keep container in a well-ventilated place.

Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.

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Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

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## \* 16 Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

Please refer to the section 3 for NFPA and HMIS Hazard Codes.

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### • Abbreviations and Acronyms:

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
 HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System  
 NFPA: National Fire Protection Association  
 N/A: Not Applicable  
 LC50: Lethal Concentration, 50 Percent  
 LD50: Lethal Dose, 50 Percent  
 IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods  
 DOT: US Department of Transportation  
 IATA: International Air Transport Association  
 IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)  
 ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization  
 ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)  
 GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals  
 ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
 EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
 CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)  
 WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)