

# ETHANE (PURITY)



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## SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY

### Product Identifier

**Product Form:** Mixture

**Product Name:** Ethane (purity)

**Synonyms:** Ethyl hydride

**CAS No.** 74-84-0

### Intended Use of the Product

**Use of the Substance/Mixture:** Industrial use.

### Name, Address, and Telephone of the Responsible Party

#### **Company**

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### Emergency Telephone Number

**Emergency number** Chemtrec - 800-424-9300

## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Classification of the Substance or Mixture

#### **Classification (GHS-US)**

Simple Asphy

Flam. Gas 1 H220

Compressed gas H280

### Label Elements

#### **GHS-US Labeling**

**Hazard Pictograms (GHS-US)** :



GHS02



GHS04

**Signal Word (GHS-US)** : Danger

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- Hazard Statements (GHS-US)** : H220 - Extremely flammable gas  
H280 - Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated  
May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation
- Precautionary Statements (GHS-US)** : P210 - Keep away from heat, sparks, open flames, hot surfaces. - No smoking.  
P377 - Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely  
P381 - Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so  
P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place  
P410+P403 - Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place

### Other Hazards

**Other Hazards Not Contributing to the Classification:** Exposure may aggravate those with pre-existing eye, skin, or respiratory conditions. Asphyxiant gas, can be fatal. May cause damage to the blood, central nervous system, and cardiovascular system. High concentrations of gas can cause unconsciousness and death. Being under the influence of alcohol may enhance the effects of this product.

**Unknown Acute Toxicity (GHS-US)** Not available

## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### Mixture

| NAME    | PRODUCT IDENTIFIER | % (W/W)  | CLASSIFICATION (GHS-US)                                   |
|---------|--------------------|----------|---|
| Ethane  | (CAS No) 74-84-0   | 95 - 100 | Simple Asphy<br>Flam. Gas 1, H220<br>Liquefied gas, H280  |
| Propane | (CAS No) 74-98-6   | < 3      | Simple Asphy<br>Flam. Gas 1, H220<br>Liquefied gas, H280  |
| Methane | (CAS No) 74-82-8   | < 3      | Simple Asphy<br>Flam. Gas 1, H220<br>Compressed gas, H280 |

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### Description of First Aid Measures

**General:** Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible). If frostbite or freezing occurs, immediately flush with plenty of lukewarm water to GENTLY warm the affected area. Do not use hot water. Do not rub affected area. Get immediate medical attention.

**Inhalation:** When symptoms occur: go into open air and ventilate suspected area. Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell

**Skin Contact:** Remove contaminated clothing. Drench affected area with water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention if irritation persists. Thaw frosted parts with lukewarm water. Do not rub affected area.

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**Eye Contact:** Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Obtain medical attention if irritation persists

**Ingestion:** Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Get immediate medical attention.

#### **Most Important Symptoms and Effects Both Acute and Delayed**

**General:** May cause frostbite on contact with the liquid. Propane is an asphyxiant. Lack of oxygen can be fatal.

**Inhalation:** Gas can be toxic as a simple asphyxiant by displacing oxygen from the air. Asphyxia by lack of oxygen: risk of death. May cause drowsiness or dizziness

**Skin Contact:** Contact with the liquid may cause cold burns/frostbite

**Eye Contact:** This gas is non-irritating; but direct contact with liquefied/pressurized gas or frost particles may produce severe and possibly permanent eye damage from freeze burns

**Ingestion:** Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure. Non-irritating; but solid and liquid forms of this material and pressurized gas may cause freeze burns.

**Chronic Symptoms:** Not available

#### **Indication of Any Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment Needed**

If exposed or concerned, get medical advice and attention.

## SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

### **NFPA 704 Hazard Class**

Health: 1 Flammability: 4 Instability: 0



0 (Minimal)  
1 (Slight)  
2 (Moderate)  
3 (Serious)  
4 (Severe)

### **Extinguishing Media**

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:** Leaking gas fire, do not fight fire unless leak can be stopped safely. Foam, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, water spray, fog.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media:** Do not use a heavy water stream. Use of heavy stream of water may spread fire .

### **Special Hazards Arising From the Substance or Mixture**

**Fire Hazard:** Extremely flammable gas

**Explosion Hazard:** May form flammable/explosive vapor-air mixture. Heating may cause an explosion. Heat may build pressure, rupturing closed containers, spreading fire and increasing risk of burns and injuries.

**Reactivity:** Hazardous reactions will not occur under normal conditions.

### **Advice for Firefighters**

**Precautionary Measures Fire:** Exercise caution when fighting any chemical fire

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**Firefighting Instructions:** Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely. In case of leaking gas fire, eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so. Use water spray or fog for cooling exposed containers. In case of major fire and large quantities: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion.

**Protection During Firefighting:** Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection.

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Carbon oxides (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>), hydrocarbons.

**Other information:** Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses

#### Reference to Other Sections

Refer to section 9 for flammability properties.

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

**General Measures:** Use special care to avoid static electric charges. Eliminate every possible source of ignition. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces - No smoking. Avoid breathing (gas, vapor, mist, spray). Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Ruptured cylinders may rocket. Do not allow product to spread into the environment.

#### For Non-Emergency Personnel

**Protective Equipment:** Use appropriate personal protection equipment (PPE).

**Emergency Procedures:** Evacuate unnecessary personnel.

#### For Emergency Personnel

**Protective Equipment:** Equip cleanup crew with proper protection.

**Emergency Procedures:** Ventilate area.

### Environmental Precautions

Prevent entry to sewers and public waters. Avoid release to the environment.

### Methods and Material for Containment and Cleaning Up

**For Containment:** Notify authorities if liquid enters sewers or public waters. Use only non-sparking tools.

**Methods for Cleaning Up:** Clear up spills immediately and dispose of waste safely. Isolate area until gas has dispersed. Use water spray to disperse vapors. For water based spills contact appropriate authorities and abide by local regulations for hydrocarbon spills into waterways. Contact competent authorities after a spill.

#### Reference to Other Sections

See heading 8, Exposure Controls and Personal Protection.

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for Safe Handling

**Additional Hazards When Processed:** Handle empty containers with care because residual vapors are flammable. Extremely flammable gas. Do not pressurize, cut, or weld containers. Do not puncture or incinerate container. Liquid gas can cause frost-type burns

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**Hygiene Measures:** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking, or smoking and again when leaving work. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

### **Conditions for Safe Storage, Including Any Incompatibilities**

**Technical Measures:** Proper grounding procedures to avoid static electricity should be followed. Comply with applicable regulations.

**Storage Conditions:** Store in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container closed when not in use. Keep in fireproof place. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Keep/Store away from extremely high or low temperatures, ignition sources, direct sunlight, incompatible materials. Store in original container.

**Incompatible Materials:** Strong oxidizers, strong acids, strong bases, halogens, chlorine.

**Specific End Use(s)** Industrial use.

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### **Control Parameters**

| Chemical Name | ACGIH                             | OSHA   | NIOSH   |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| Propane       | Minimal oxygen content - asphyxia | TWA: 1000 ppm<br>TWA: 1800 mg/m <sup>3</sup> | REL (TWA): 1000 ppm<br>REL (TWA):1800 mg/m <sup>3</sup><br>IDLH: 2100 PPM (10%) |
| Ethane        | Minimal oxygen content - asphyxia | 1926.55 - Simple asphyxiant                  | --  |
| Methane       | STEL: 1000 ppm                    | --   | REL (TWA): 800 ppm<br>REL (TWA):1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup>                          |

**Note:** State province, local or other agencies or advisory groups may have established more stringent limits. Consult an industrial hygienist or similar professional, or your local agencies, for further information.

### **Exposure Controls**

**Appropriate Engineering Controls:** Gas detectors should be used when flammable gases/vapours may be released. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Proper grounding procedures to avoid static electricity should be followed. Emergency eye wash fountains and safety showers should be available in the immediate vicinity of any potential exposure. Use explosion-proof equipment

**Personal Protective Equipment:** Protective goggles. Protective clothing. Respiratory protection of the dependent type. Insulated gloves.



**Materials for Protective Clothing:** Chemically resistant materials and fabrics. Wear fire/flame resistant/retardant clothing.

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**Hand Protection:** Wear chemically resistant protective gloves. Insulated gloves

**Eye Protection:** Chemical goggles or safety glasses.

**Skin and Body Protection:** Wear appropriate protective clothing.

**Respiratory Protection:** Use a NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus whenever exposure may exceed established Occupational Exposure Limits.

**Thermal Hazard Protection:** Wear suitable protective clothing.

**Other Information:** When using, do not eat, drink or smoke.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Information on Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

|  |   |
|--|---|
| <b>Physical State</b>                                    | : Gas   |
| <b>Appearance</b>  | : Clear,Colorless gas,Liquefied compressed gas                          |
| <b>Odor</b>  | : Odorless  |
| <b>Odor Threshold</b>                                    | : Not available   |
| <b>pH</b>  | : Not available   |
| <b>Relative Evaporation Rate (Air=1)</b>                 | : Not available   |
| <b>Melting Point</b>                                     | : Not available   |
| <b>Freezing Point</b>                                    | : Not available   |
| <b>Boiling Point</b>                                     | : -89 °C (-128.20 °F)   |
| <b>Flash Point</b>                                       | : -135 °C (-211.00 °F)  |
| <b>Auto-ignition Temperature</b>                         | : > 472 °C (881.60 °F)  |
| <b>Decomposition Temperature</b>                         | : Not available   |
| <b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>                         | : Extremely flammable gas   |
| <b>Lower Flammable Limit</b>                             | : 2.9 %   |
| <b>Upper Flammable Limit</b>                             | : 13 %  |
| <b>Vapor Pressure</b>                                    | : 29000 mm Hg 21°C (70°F)   |
| <b>Relative Vapor Density at 20 °C</b>                   | : > 1.05 (air = 1)  |
| <b>Relative Density</b>                                  | : 0.45  |
| <b>Specific Gravity</b>                                  | : Not available   |
| <b>Solubility</b>  | : Slightly soluble in water.  |
| <b>Explosion Data – Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b> | : Not expected to present an explosion hazard due to mechanical impact. |

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**Explosion Data – Sensitivity to Static Discharge** : Static Discharge could act as an ignition source

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity:** Hazardous reactions will not occur under normal conditions.

**Chemical Stability:** Extremely flammable gas. Stable at standard temperature and pressure.

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Direct sunlight. Extremely high or low temperatures. Open flame. Overheating. Heat. Sparks. Incompatible materials. Avoid ignition sources.

**Incompatible Materials:** Strong acids, strong bases, strong oxidizers, halogenated compounds, chlorine.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Carbon oxides (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>), hydrocarbons.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Information on Toxicological Effects - Product

**Acute Toxicity:** Not classified

**LD50 and LC50 Data:** Not available

**Skin Corrosion/Irritation:** Not classified

**Serious Eye Damage/Irritation:** Not classified

**Respiratory or Skin Sensitization:** Not classified

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity:** Not classified

**Teratogenicity:** Not available

**Carcinogenicity:** Not classified

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Repeated Exposure):** Not classified

**Reproductive Toxicity:** Not classified

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Single Exposure):** Not classified

**Aspiration Hazard:** Not classified

**Symptoms/Injuries after Inhalation:** Gas can be toxic as a simple asphyxiant by displacing oxygen from the air. Asphyxia by lack of oxygen: risk of death. May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

**Symptoms/Injuries after Skin Contact:** Contact with the liquid may cause cold burns/frostbite.

**Symptoms/Injuries after Eye Contact:** This gas is non-irritating; but direct contact with liquefied/pressurized gas or frost particles may produce severe and possibly permanent eye damage from freeze burns.

**Symptoms/Injuries after Ingestion:** Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure. Non-irritating; but solid and liquid forms of this material and pressurized gas may cause freeze burns.

### Information on Toxicological Effects - Ingredient(s)

**LD50 and LC50 Data**

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|                            |                               |
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| PROPANE (74-98-6)          |                               |
| LC50 Inhalation Rat (mg/l) | 658 mg/l (Exposure time: 4 h) |
| ETHANE (74-84-0)           |                               |
| LC50 Inhalation Rat (mg/l) | 658 mg/l (Exposure time: 4 h) |

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### **GHS Classification:**

No classified hazards

**Toxicity:** No additional information available

### **Persistence and Degradability**

|                               |                           |
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| ETHANE (PURITY)               |                           |
| Persistence and Degradability | Product is biodegradable. |

### **Bioaccumulative Potential**

|                           |                                |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ETHANE (PURITY)           |                                |
| Bioaccumulative Potential | Not expected to bioaccumulate. |

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| PROPANE (74-98-6) |     |
| Log Pow           | 2.3 |

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| ETHANE (74-84-0) |        |
| Log Pow          | <= 2.8 |

**Mobility in Soil** Not available

### **Other Adverse Effects**

**Other adverse effects:** Can cause frost damage to vegetation.

**Other Information:** Avoid release to the environment.

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste Disposal Recommendations:** Dispose of waste material in accordance with all local, regional, national, provincial, territorial and international regulations.

**Additional Information:** Handle empty containers with care because residual vapors are flammable. Empty gas cylinders should be returned to the vendor for recycling or refilling.



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### SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### UN Number

UN-No.(DOT): 1035

DOT NA no.: UN1035

#### UN Proper Shipping Name

DOT Proper Shipping Name : UN 1035 Ethane, 2.1

Hazard Labels (DOT) : 2.1 - Flammable gases



DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 306

DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 304

DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 302

#### Additional Information

Emergency Response Guide (ERG) Number : 115

#### Transport by sea

DOT Vessel Stowage Location : E - The material may be stowed "on deck" or "under deck" on a cargo vessel and on a passenger vessel carrying a number of passengers limited to not more than the larger of 25 passengers, or one passenger per each 3 m of overall vessel length, but is prohibited from carriage on passenger vessels in which the limiting number of passengers is exceeded.

DOT Vessel Stowage Other : 40 - Stow "clear of living quarters"

#### Air transport

DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger Aircraft/Rail (49 CFR 173.27) : Forbidden

DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo Aircraft Only (49 CFR 175.75) : 150 kg

### SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### US Federal Regulations

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Ethane (purity)</b>  |   |
| <b>SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes</b>                                | Fire hazard<br>Immediate (acute) health hazard<br>Sudden release of pressure hazard |
| <b>Propane (74-98-6)</b>  |   |
| Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory |   |

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#### Ethane (74-84-0)

Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory

#### Methane (74-82-8)

Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory

### Canadian Regulations

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|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| WHMIS Classification | Class B Division 1 - Flammable Gas<br>Class A - Compressed Gas |
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#### Propane (74-98-6)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| WHMIS Classification | Class A - Compressed Gas<br>Class B Division 1 - Flammable Gas |
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#### Ethane (74-84-0)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| WHMIS Classification | Class A - Compressed Gas<br>Class B Division 1 - Flammable Gas |
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#### Methane (74-82-8)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| WHMIS Classification | Class A - Compressed Gas<br>Class B Division 1 - Flammable Gas |
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This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the SDS contains all of the information required by CPR.

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

**Revision date** : 01/26/2016

**Other Information** : This document has been prepared in accordance with the SDS requirements of the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200

#### GHS Full Text Phrases:

Compressed gas

Gases under pressure Compressed gas

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| Flam. Gas 1   | Flammable gases Category 1                         |
| Flam. Liq. 1  | Flammable liquids Category 1                       |
| Liquefied gas | Gases under pressure Liquefied gas                 |
| Simple Asphy  | Simple Asphyxiant                                  |
| H220          | Extremely flammable gas                            |
| H224          | Extremely flammable liquid and vapor               |
| H280          | Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated |

### Guide to Abbreviations:

ACGIH = American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists; CASRN = Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number; CEILING = Ceiling Limit (15 minutes); CERCLA = The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; EPA = Environmental Protection Agency; GHS = Globally Harmonized System; IARC = International Agency for Research on Cancer; INSHT = National Institute for Health and Safety at Work; IOPC = International Oil Pollution Compensation; LEL = Lower Explosive Limit; NE = Not Established; NFPA = National Fire Protection Association; NTP = National Toxicology Program; OSHA = Occupational Safety and Health Administration; PEL = Permissible Exposure Limit (OSHA); SARA = Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; STEL = Short Term Exposure Limit (15 minutes); TLV = Threshold Limit Value (ACGIH); TWA = Time Weighted Average (8 hours); UEL = Upper Explosive Limit; WHMIS = Worker Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)

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