

AIR PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS, INC. -- HELIUM -- 6830-00-660-0026

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Product Identification  
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Product ID:HELIUM

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=== Responsible Party ===

Company Name:AIR PRODUCTS AND CHEMICALS, INC.

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Composition/Information on Ingredients  
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Ingred Name:NO HAZARDOUS INGREDIENT

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Hazards Identification  
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Routes of Entry: Inhalation:YES Skin:NO Ingestion:NO  
Reports of Carcinogenicity:NTP:NO IARC:NO OSHA:NO  
Health Hazards Acute and Chronic:HELIUM IS ODORLESS/NONTOXIC, BUT MAY  
PRODUCE SUFFOCATION BY DILUTING THE CONCEN-TRATION OF OXYGEN IN AIR  
BELOW LEVELS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT LIFE. PERSONEL/RESCUEWORKERS  
SHOULD NOT ENTER AREAS WHERE THE OXYGEN CONCENTRATION IS BELOW  
19%UNLESS PROVIDED WITH A SELF-CONTAINED BREATHIN

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APPARATUS/AIRLINE RESPIRATOR.

Effects of Overexposure:EXPOSURE TO OXYGEN-DEFICIENT ATMOSPHERES MAY  
PRODUCE DIZZINESS/NAUSEA/VOMITING/ LOSS OF CONSCIOUSNESS/DEATH.  
DEATH MAY RESULT FM ERRORS IN JUDGEMENT/CONFUSION/ LOSS OF  
CONSCIOUSNESS WHICH PREV SELF RE SCUE. AT LOW OXY CONCENT  
UNCONSCIOUSNESS& DEATH MAY OCCUR IN SEC'S W/O WARNING. EXTENSIVE  
TISSUE DAMAGE/BURNS CAN RESULT

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First Aid Measures  
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First Aid:PERSONS SUFFERING  
FM LACK OF OXYGEN S/B MOVED TO AREAS  
W/NORMAL ATMOSPHERE. SELFCONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS MAY BE  
REQUIRED TO PREV ASPHYXIATION OF RESCUE WORKERS.CPR/SUPP OXYGEN  
S/B GIVEN IF THE VICTIM IS NOT BREATHING. IF CRYOGENICLIQ/COLD  
BOIL-OFF GAS CONTACTS SKIN/EYES, FROZEN TISSUES S/B FLOODED/SOAKED  
W/ TEPID WATER. CRYOGENIC BURNS WHICH RESULT IN BLISTERING/TISSUE  
FREEZE-MED ATTN.

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Accidental Release Measures  
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Spill Release Procedures:  
AVOID CONTACT OF SKIN W/LIQUID HELIUM/COLD  
BOILOFFGAS. FLUSH LIQ SPILL W/WATER. VENTILATE ENCLOSED AREAS TO  
PREVENT FORMATION OF OXYGEN-DEFICIENT ATMOSPHERES CAUSED BY EVAP  
OF LIQ HELIUM OR THE RELEASE OF GASEOUS HELIUM.

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Handling and Storage  
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Handling and Storage Precautions:USE ONLY IN WELL VENTILATED AREAS.  
AVOID DRAGGING/ROLLING/SLIDING CYL'S EVEN FOR SHORT DISTANCES.  
STORE LIQUID CONTAINERS/CYL'S IN WELL VENT AREAS.

Other Precautions:UTILIZE OXYGEN COMPATIBLE INSULATING MATLS/MINIMIZE EXPOSED PIPING SUR AREAS. COMPRESSED GAS CYL'S S/N BE REFILLED EXCEPT BY QUALIFIED PRODUCERS OF COMPRESSED GASES. SHIPPING COMPRESSED GAS CYL W/O PERMISSION OF OWNER IS VIOLATION FED LAW.

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

Respiratory Protection:USE SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS IN OXYGEN-DEFICIENT ATMOSPHERES. CAUTION!RESPIRATORS WILL NOT FUNCTION. USE MAY RESULT IN A SPHYXIATION.

Ventilation:NATURAL/MECHANICAL WHERE GAS IS PRESENT. VENTS S/B SITUATED TO AVOID HIGHER THAN NORMAL CONCENT OF HELIUM IN WORK AREAS.

Protective Gloves:LOOSE FITTING LEATHER WORK GLOVES

Eye Protection:SAFETY GLASSES/CHEMICAL GOGGLES

Other Protective Equipment:NONE

Supplemental Safety and Health

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

Boiling Pt:B.P. Text:-452.1F

Vapor Density:0.01114@0C

Spec Gravity:0.138 AIR=1 @32F

Solubility in Water:0.861% BY V

OL @ 68F

Appearance and Odor:HELIUM IS COLORLESS AND ODORLESS IN BOTH THE GASEOUS AND LIQUID STATES.

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

Stability Indicator/Materials to Avoid:YES

NONE

Stability Condition to Avoid:NONE

Hazardous Decomposition Products:NONE

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

Waste Disposal Methods:ALLOW LIQ HELIUM TO EVAP IN A WELL VENT LOCATION. VENT HELIUM GAS SLOWLY TO WELL VENT OUTDOOR LOCA. DO NOT

ATTEMPT TO DISPOSE OF RESIDUAL HELIUM IN COMPRESSED GAS CYL'S.  
RETURN CYL'S TO AIR PRODUCTS W/RESIDUAL PRESS/VALVE TIGHTLY  
CLOSED/CAP IN PLACE

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