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## **SECTION 1: Identification**

1.1. Product identifier

Product form : Substance

Substance name : Helium (Compressed)

CAS No : 7440-59-7
Product code : CA-1001-06711

Formula : He

Synonyms : Helium, compressed / Helium gas

#### 1.2. Recommended use and restrictions on use

Recommended uses and restrictions : Test/Calibration gas

#### 1.3. Supplier

#### ARC-1 Welding Supplies Ltd.

33351 Richmond St. Lucan, ON N0M 2J0 Office 226-213-4363 Fax 226-313-2470 www.arc-1.ca

#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number: 911

Poison Centre: 1-844-764-7669

## **SECTION 2: Hazard identification**

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification (GHS-CA)

Gases under pressure : Compressed gas H280

Full text of H statements : see section 16

#### 2.2. GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

#### **GHS-CA labelling**

Hazard pictograms (GHS-CA)



GHS04

Signal word (GHS-CA) : Warning

Hazard statements (GHS-CA) : H280 - Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated
Precautionary statements (GHS-CA) : P410+P403 - Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place

## 2.3. Other hazards

No additional information available

## 2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS-CA)

No data available

## **SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

## 3.1. Substances

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Name	Product identifier	%	Classification (GHS-CA)
Helium (Compressed) (Main constituent)	(CAS No) 7440-59-7	> 99	Compressed gas, H280

Full text of H-statements: see section 16



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#### 3.2. Mixtures

Not applicable

#### **SECTION 4: First-aid measures**

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If you feel

unwell, seek medical advice.

First-aid measures after skin contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product. First-aid measures after eye contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

First-aid measures after ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

#### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects (acute and delayed)

Symptoms/injuries after inhalation : May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.

Symptoms/injuries after skin contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Symptoms/injuries after eye contact : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

Symptoms/injuries after ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Symptoms/injuries upon intravenous : Not known.

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Chronic symptoms : Adverse effects not expected from this product.

#### 4.3. Immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary

Other medical advice or treatment : If you feel unwell, seek medical advice. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

#### **SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures**

#### 5.1. Suitable extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

#### 5.2. Unsuitable extinguishing media

Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use water jet to extinguish.

### 5.3. Specific hazards arising from the hazardous product

Fire hazard : The product is not flammable.

Explosion hazard : Product is not explosive. Heat may build pressure, rupturing closed containers, spreading fire

and increasing risk of burns and injuries.

#### 5.4. Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Firefighting instructions : In case of fire: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion. Use water spray

or fog for cooling exposed containers. Exercise caution when fighting any chemical fire.

Protection during firefighting : Standard protective clothing and equipment (e.g., Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire fighters. Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory

protection.

## **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

EVACUATE ALL PERSONNEL FROM THE AFFECTED AREA. Use appropriate protective equipment. If leak is on user's equipment, be certain to purge piping before attempting repairs. If leak is on a container or container valve contact the closest ARC-1 Welding Supplies Ltd location.

#### 6.2. Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Methods for cleaning up : Comply with local regulations for disposal.

#### 6.3. Reference to other sections

For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection"

#### **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

#### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling : Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Use only outdoors or

in a well-ventilated area.

Hygiene measures : Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

Additional hazards when processed : Pressurized container: Do not pierce or burn, even after use. Use only with equipment rated for

cylinder pressure. Close valve after each use and when empty.

#### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities



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Technical measures : Comply with applicable regulations.

Storage conditions : Do not expose to temperatures exceeding 52 °C/ 125 °F. Keep container closed when not in

use. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop. Store in well

ventilated area.

Incompatible products : None known.
Incompatible materials : None known.

## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

#### 8.1. Control parameters

No additional information available

#### 8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls

: Ensure exposure is below occupational exposure limits (where available). Provide adequate general and local exhaust ventilation. Systems under pressure should be regularly checked for leakages. Oxygen detectors should be used when asphyxiating gases may be released. Consider work permit system e.g. for maintenance activities.

#### 8.3. Individual protection measures/Personal protective equipment

Personal protective equipment : Gloves. Safety glasses. Protective clothing. Safety shoes.









Hand protection : Wear working gloves when handling gas containers.

Eye protection : Wear safety glasses with side shields.

Skin and body protection : Wear suitable protective clothing, e.g. lab coats, coveralls or flame resistant clothing.

Respiratory protection : None necessary during routine operations. See Sections 5 & 6.

: Clear, colorless gas.

Thermal hazard protection : None necessary during routine operations.

Environmental exposure controls : Refer to local regulations for restriction of emissions to the atmosphere. See section 13 for

specific methods for waste gas treatment.

Other information : Wear safety shoes while handling containers.

## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

## 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state : Gas

Appearance

Molecular mass : 4.0026 g/mol Colour Colourless. Odour Odourless. Odour threshold No data available pΗ No data available No data available pH solution Relative evaporation rate (butylacetate=1) No data available Relative evaporation rate (ether=1) : No data available

Melting point : -272 °C

Freezing point : No data available
Boiling point : -268.94 °C

Flash point : Not applicable (non-flammable gas)

Critical temperature : -266.96 °C

Auto-ignition temperature : Not applicable.

Decomposition temperature : No data available

Flammability (solid, gas) : See Section 2.1 and 2.2

Vapour pressure : No data available

Vapour pressure at 50 °C : No data available

Critical pressure : 230 kPa Relative vapour density at 20 °C : 0.138

Relative density : No data available Relative density of saturated gas/air mixture : No data available



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Density : No data available

Relative gas density : 0.14

Solubility : Water: 1.5 mg/l

Log Pow : Not applicable for inorganic gases.

Log Kow : No data available Viscosity, kinematic : Not applicable. Viscosity, dynamic : Not applicable. Viscosity, kinematic (calculated value) (40 °C) : No data available

Explosive properties : Not applicable (non-flammable gas).

Oxidising properties : None.

Explosive limits : Not applicable (non-flammable gas)

Lower explosive limit (LEL) : No data available
Upper explosive limit (UEL) : No data available

9.2. Other information

Gas group : Compressed gas

## **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

#### 10.1. Reactivity

Reactivity : None known.

Chemical stability : Stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions : None known.

Conditions to avoid : None under recommended storage and handling conditions (see section 7).

Incompatible materials : None known

Hazardous decomposition products : Under normal conditions of storage and use hazardous decomposition products should not be

produced.

## **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (oral) : Not classified
Acute toxicity (dermal) : Not classified

Acute toxicity (inhalation) : Inhalation:gas: Not classified.

Helium (Compressed) (\f )7440-59-7	
LC50 inhalation rat (ppm)	820000 ppm/4h
ATE CA (gases)	820000.00000000 ppmv/4h

Skin corrosion/irritation : Not classified Serious eye damage/irritation : Not classified Respiratory or skin sensitization : Not classified Germ cell mutagenicity : Not classified : Not classified Carcinogenicity Reproductive toxicity : Not classified Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) : Not classified Specific target organ toxicity (repeated : Not classified exposure)

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

#### 12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general : No ecological damage caused by this product.



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#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Helium (Compressed) (7440-59-7)	
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.

#### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Helium (Compressed) (7440-59-7)	
Log Pow	Not applicable for inorganic gases.
Bioaccumulative potential	No ecological damage caused by this product.

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

Helium (Compressed) (7440-59-7)	
Log Pow	Not applicable for inorganic gases.
Ecology - soil	No ecological damage caused by this product.

#### 12.5. Other adverse effects

No additional information available

### **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

13.1. Disposal methods

Waste treatment methods : Contact supplier if guidance is required. Do not discharge into any place where its

accumulation could be dangerous. Ensure that the emission levels from local regulations or

operating permits are not exceeded.

Waste disposal recommendations : Refer to the CGA Pamphlet P-63 "Disposal of Gases" available at www.cganet.com for

more guidance on suitable disposal methods.

### **SECTION 14: Transport information**

#### 14.1. Basic shipping description

In accordance with TDG

# Transportation of Dangerous Goods

UN-No. (TDG) : UN1046

TDG Primary Hazard Classes : 2.2 - Class 2.2 - Non-Flammable, Non-Toxic Gas.

Transport Document Description : UN1046 HELIUM, COMPRESSED, 2.2

Proper Shipping Name : HELIUM, COMPRESSED

Hazard labels (TDG) : 2.2 - Non-flammable, non-toxic gases



**TDG Special Provisions** 

: 148 - (1) Part 5 (Means of Containment) does not apply to radiation detectors that contain these dangerous goods in non-refillable pressure receptacles if (a)the working pressure in each receptacle is less than 5 000 KPa; (b)the capacity of each receptacle is less than 12 L; (c)each receptacle has a minimum burst pressure of (i)at least 3 times the working pressure, when the receptacle is fitted with a relief device, or (ii)at least 4 times the working pressure, when the receptacle is not fitted with a relief device; (d)each receptacle is manufactured from material that will not fragment upon rupture; (e)each detector is manufactured under a quality assurance program; ISO 9001:2008 is an example of a quality assurance program. (f)the detectors are transported in strong outer means of containment; and (g)a detector in its outer means of containment is capable of withstanding a 1.2 m drop test without breakage of the detector or rupture of the outer means of containment. (2)Part 5 (Means of Containment) does not apply to radiation detectors that contain these dangerous goods in non-refillable pressure receptacles and that are included in equipment, if (a)the conditions set out in paragraphs (1)(a) to (e) are met; and (b)the equipment is contained in a strong outer means of containment or the equipment affords the detectors with protection that is equivalent to that provided by a strong outer means of containment. (3)These Regulations, except for Part 1 (Coming into Force, Repeal, Interpretation, General Provisions and Special Cases) and Part 2 (Classification), do not apply to radiation detectors that contain these dangerous goods in non-refillable pressure receptacles, including detectors in radiation detection systems, if the detectors meet the requirements of subsection (1) or (2), as applicable, and the capacity of the receptacles that contain the detectors is less than 50 mL. SOR/2014-306

Explosive Limit and Limited Quantity Index : 0.125 L Excepted quantities (TDG) : E1



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Passenger Carrying Road Vehicle or Passenger : 75 L Carrying Railway Vehicle Index

Transport information/DOT - USA

#### **Department of Transport**

DOT NA no. : UN1046 : 1046 UN-No.(DOT)

: UN1046 Helium, compressed, 2.2 Transport Document Description

Proper Shipping Name (DOT) : Helium, compressed

Contains Statement Field Selection (DOT) : DOT\_TECHNICAL - Proper Shipping Name - Technical (DOT)

Class (DOT) : 2.2 - Class 2.2 - Non-flammable compressed gas 49 CFR 173.115

Division (DOT) : 2.2

Hazard labels (DOT) : 2.2 - Non-flammable gas



Dangerous for the environment : No

DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 306;307 DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 302 DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 302;314 DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail : 75 kg

(49 CFR 173.27)

DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 : 150 kg

CFR 175.75)



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**DOT Vessel Stowage Location** 

: A - The material may be stowed "on deck" or "under deck" on a cargo vessel and on a

passenger vessel

Emergency Response Guide (ERG) Number : 120 (UN1963);121 (UN1046)

Special transport precautions : Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's

compartment. Ensure vehicle driver is aware of the potential hazards of the load and knows what to do in the event of an accident or an emergency. Before transporting product containers: - Ensure there is adequate ventilation. - Ensure that containers are firmly secured. - Ensure cylinder valve is closed and not leaking. - Ensure valve outlet cap nut or plug (where provided) is correctly fitted. - Ensure valve protection device (where provided) is correctly fitted.

Other information : No supplementary information available.

#### 14.3. Air and sea transport

#### **IMDG**

UN-No. (IMDG) : 1046

Proper Shipping Name (IMDG) : Helium, Compressed

Class (IMDG) : 2 - Gases MFAG-No : 121

Ship Safety Act : Gases under pressure/Gases nonflammable nontoxic under pressure(Dangerous Goods

Notification Schedule first second and third Article Dangerous Goods Regulations)

Port Regulation Law : Hazardous materials/High pressure gas (Article 21, Paragraph 2 of Law, Article 12 rule, notice

attached table that defines the type of dangerous goods)

**IATA** 

UN-No. (IATA) : 1046

Proper Shipping Name (IATA) : Helium, Compressed

Class (IATA)

Civil Aeronautics Law Gases under pressure/Gases nonflammable nontoxic under pressure(Hazardous materials

notice Appended Table 1 Article 194 of the Enforcement Regulations)

### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

#### 15.1. National regulations

#### Helium (Compressed) (7440-59-7)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

#### 15.2. International regulations

### Helium (Compressed) (7440-59-7)

Listed on the AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)

Listed on IECSC (Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China)

Listed on the EEC inventory EINECS (European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances)

Listed on the Korean ECL (Existing Chemicals List)

Listed on NZIoC (New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals)

Listed on PICCS (Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances)

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

Listed on INSQ (Mexican National Inventory of Chemical Substances)

#### SECTION 16: Other information

Full text of H-statements:

Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated H280

SDS Canada (GHS)

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