# SAFETY DATA SHEET

#### 1. Identification

Product identifier Propane

Other means of identification

SDS number 309-GHS

Synonyms Dimethylmethane; propane (dot); propyl hydride; dimethyl methane

See section 16 for complete information.

Recommended use Organic synthesis. Fuel. Industrial use. Solvent. Refrigerant. Gas enricher. Propellant. Mixture for

bubble chambers.

Recommended restrictions None known.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Manufacturer/Supplier Valero Marketing & Supply Company and Affiliates

One Valero Way

San Antonio, TX 78269-6000

General Assistance 210-345-4593

E-Mail CorpHSE@valero.com
Contact Person Industrial Hygienist

**Emergency Telephone** 24 Hour Emergency 866-565-5220

1-800-424-9300 (CHEMTREC USA)

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards Flammable gases Category 1

Health hazards Not classified.

OSHA defined hazards Simple asphyxiant

Label elements



Signal word Danger

**Hazard statement** Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

**Precautionary statement** 

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

**Disposal** Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

Hazard(s) not otherwise

classified (HNOC)

None known.

# 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### **Mixtures**

Chemical name	CAS number	%
Propane	74-98-6	90-100
Propylene	115-07-1	0-10
Ethylene	74-85-1	0-1

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## 4. First-aid measures

Inhalation Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

Wash frost-bitten areas with plenty of water. Do not remove clothing. Get medical attention Skin contact

immediately.

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if **Eve contact** 

present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical attention immediately.

Ingestion Ingestion is not a typical route of exposure for gases or liquefied gases.

Most important

symptoms/effects, acute and

delayed

Indication of immediate medical attention and special

treatment needed

Narcosis. Behavioral changes. Decrease in motor functions.

Treat symptomatically.

# 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

Dry chemical, CO2, water spray, fog, or foam.

Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Special protective equipment

and precautions for firefighters

Fire-fighting equipment/instructions During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.

Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

Self-contained breathing apparatus, operated in positive pressure mode and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk.

Do not extinguish fires unless gas flow can be stopped safely; explosive re-ignition may occur. Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. For fires involving this material, do not enter any enclosed or confined fire space without proper protective equipment, including self-contained breathing apparatus. Stop flow of material. Use water to keep fire exposed containers cool and to protect personnel effecting shutoff. If a leak or spill has not ignited, use water spray to disperse the vapors and to protect personnel attempting to stop leak. Prevent runoff from fire control or dilution from entering streams, sewers or drinking water supply.

# 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Evacuate the area promptly. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Keep unnecessary personnel away.

Ensure adequate ventilation. In case of inadequate ventilation, use respiratory protection. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (See Section 8).

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up **Environmental precautions** 

Ventilate well, stop flow of gas or liquid if possible. Immediately contact emergency personnel.

Should not be released into the environment. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent from entering into soil, ditches, sanitary sewers, waterways and/or groundwater.

## 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Eliminate sources of ignition. Avoid spark promoters, Ground/bond container and equipment. These alone may be insufficient to remove static electricity.

Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (See Section 8). Eating, drinking, and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored, and processed. Do not breathe gas. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Use only with adequate ventilation.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities Store in accordance with local, regional, national, and international regulations. Secure cylinders in an upright position at all times, close all valves when not in use. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Protect cylinders from damage.

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# 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

## Occupational exposure limits

US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Material	Туре	Value	
Propane (CAS Mixture)	PEL	1800 mg/m3	
		1000 ppm	
Components	Туре	Value	
Propane (CAS 74-98-6)	PEL	1800 mg/m3	
		1000 ppm	

#### **US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values**

Components	Туре	Value
Propylene (CAS 115-07-1)	TWA	500 ppm

#### US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

Material	Туре	Value	
Propane (CAS Mixture)	TWA	1800 mg/m3	
		1000 ppm	
Components	Туре	Value	
Propane (CAS 74-98-6)	TWA	1800 mg/m3	
		1000 ppm	

Biological limit values No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Appropriate engineering

controls

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to control airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. The engineering controls also need to keep gas,

vapor, or dust concentrations below any lower explosive limits.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

**Eve/face protection** Wear approved safety glasses or goggles.

Skin protection

**Hand protection** Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

**Other** Wear protective clothing appropriate for the risk of exposure.

**Respiratory protection** If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below recommended exposure

limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not

been established), an approved respirator must be worn.

**Thermal hazards** Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

General hygiene considerations

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using the product. Wash thoroughly after handling. Provide eyewash station and safety shower. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety

practices.

# 9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance Colorless liquefied gas.

Physical state Gas.

Form Compressed liquefied gas.

Color Colorless

Odor Faint. May have natural gas odorant added.

Odor threshold Not available.
pH Not available.

Melting point/freezing point -302.6 °F (-185.89 °C)
Initial boiling point and boiling -43.22 °F (-41.79 °C)
range

Flash point -156.0 °F (-104.5 °C) Closed Cup

Evaporation rate Not available.

Flammability (solid, gas) Not available.

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Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - lower 2.3 %

(%)

Flammability limit - upper

(%)

9.5 %

Explosive limit - lower (%) Not available. Not available. Explosive limit - upper (%)

Not available. Vapor pressure

Vapor density 1.6 0.59 Relative density

Solubility(ies)

Insoluble. Solubility (water) Partition coefficient Not available.

(n-octanol/water)

841.73 °F (449.85 °C) **Auto-ignition temperature** 

**Decomposition temperature** Not available. **Viscosity** Not available.

Other information

Molecular formula C3-H8 Molecular weight 44.1 g/mol VOC (Weight %) 100 %

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

Chemical stability Stable under normal temperature conditions and recommended use.

Possibility of hazardous

reactions

Polymerization will not occur.

In a fire or if heated, a pressure increase will occur and the container may burst or explode. Conditions to avoid

Oxidizing agents. Reducing agents. Acids. Alkalis. Incompatible materials **Hazardous decomposition** 

products

No hazardous decomposition products are known.

# 11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Not likely, due to the form of the product. Ingestion

Breathing of high concentrations may cause dizziness, light-headedness, headache, nausea and Inhalation

loss of coordination. Continued inhalation may result in unconsciousness. Suffocation

(asphyxiant) hazard - if allowed to accumulate to concentrations that reduce oxygen below safe

breathing levels.

Skin contact Contact with liquefied gas can cause damage (frostbite) due to rapid evaporative cooling.

Eye contact Contact with liquefied gas may cause frostbite.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics Narcosis. Behavioral changes. Decrease in motor functions.

# Information on toxicological effects

Suffocation (asphyxiant) hazard - if allowed to accumulate to concentrations that reduce oxygen **Acute toxicity** 

below safe breathing levels. Exposure to rapidly expanding gas or vaporizing liquid may cause

frostbite ("cold burn").

Skin corrosion/irritation Contact with liquefied gas might cause frostbites, in some cases with tissue damage.

Serious eye damage/eye

irritation

Direct contact with liquefied gas may cause eye damage from frostbite.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met. Respiratory sensitization

Not a skin sensitizer. Skin sensitization

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Germ cell mutagenicity Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Carcinogenicity

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Propylene (CAS 115-07-1) 3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met. Reproductive toxicity Specific target organ toxicity -

single exposure

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Specific target organ toxicity -

repeated exposure

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Aspiration hazard Not applicable.

**Chronic effects** May cause central nervous system effects.

12. Ecological information

Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms. **Ecotoxicity** 

Not available. Persistence and degradability Bioaccumulative potential Not available.

Partition coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow) Propane (CAS 74-98-6) Propylene (CAS 115-07-1)

Mobility in soil Not available. Other adverse effects Not available.

13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal instructions** Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. This material and its container must be

2.36

1.77

disposed of as hazardous waste.

Local disposal regulations Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

Hazardous waste code D001: Waste Flammable material with a flash point <140 °F

Waste from residues / unused

products

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

Contaminated packaging Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is

emptied.

14. Transport information

DOT

**UN** number UN1978 **UN proper shipping name PROPANE** 

Transport hazard class(es)

Class 2.1 Subsidiary risk

Packing group Not applicable.

Special precautions for user Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.

Special provisions 19, T50 Packaging exceptions 306 304 Packaging non bulk 314, 315 Packaging bulk

**DOT BULK** 

**BULK** 

**UN** number UN1011 **UN** proper shipping name Butane

Transport hazard class(es)

**Class** 2.1

Special precautions for user Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.

**Special provisions** 19. T50 306 **Packaging exceptions** Packaging non bulk 304 314, 315 Packaging bulk

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**IATA** 

UN number UN1978
UN proper shipping name PROPANE

Transport hazard class(es)

Class 2.1 Subsidiary risk -Label(s) 2.1

Packing group Not applicable.

**Environmental hazards** No. **ERG Code** 10L

Special precautions for user Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.

**IMDG** 

UN number UN1978 UN proper shipping name PROPANE

Transport hazard class(es)

Class 2.1 Subsidiary risk -Label(s) 2.1

Packing group Not applicable.

**Environmental hazards** 

Marine pollutant No EmS F-D, S-U

Special precautions for user Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and

Not applicable. This product is a compressed or liquefied gas and when transported in bulk is

covered under IGC code.

the IBC Code

# 15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication

Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory List.

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)

Not listed.

**CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)** 

Propane (CAS 74-98-6) LISTED Propylene (CAS 115-07-1) LISTED

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

**Hazard categories** Immediate Hazard - Yes

Delayed Hazard - No Fire Hazard - Yes Pressure Hazard - No Reactivity Hazard - No

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Yes

chemical

SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

 Chemical name
 CAS number
 % by wt.

 Propylene
 115-07-1
 0-10

# Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Propane (CAS 74-98-6) Propylene (CAS 115-07-1)

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Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 112(r) (40 CFR

68.130)

Safe Drinking Water Act

Not regulated.

(SDWA)

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Total food additive Direct food additive GRAS food additive

Hazardous substance

**US state regulations** 

US - California Proposition 65 - Carcinogens & Reproductive Toxicity (CRT): Listed substance

WARNING: Byproducts of the combustion of propane contain chemicals known to the State of

California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

California requires all "persons in the course of doing business" whose products are sold in California to comply with Proposition 65 (Cal. Health and Safety Code Sections 25249.6 et seq.). Accordingly, resellers of this product in California shall comply with Proposition 65, including the provision of any necessary warnings for exposure to chemicals listed by the State of California:

http://oehha.ca.gov/prop65/prop65\_list/files/P65single111811.pdf

## **US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List**

Propane (CAS 74-98-6) Propylene (CAS 115-07-1)

#### US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

Propane (CAS 74-98-6) Propylene (CAS 115-07-1)

# US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law

Propane (CAS 74-98-6) Propylene (CAS 115-07-1)

#### **US. Rhode Island RTK**

Propane (CAS 74-98-6) Propylene (CAS 115-07-1)

#### **US. California Proposition 65**

# US - California Proposition 65 - Carcinogens & Reproductive Toxicity (CRT): Listed substance

Not listed.

## International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

<sup>\*</sup>A "Yes" indicates this product complies with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s).

# 16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

#### **NFPA Ratings**



References

**ACGIH** 

EPA: AQUIRE database

NLM: Hazardous Substances Data Base

US. IARC Monographs on Occupational Exposures to Chemical Agents

HSDB® - Hazardous Substances Data Bank

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

ACGIH Documentation of the Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices

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