MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET 29 CFR 1910.1200 OSHA Hazard **Communication Rule Format** Chem-Tel 24 Hour Emergency # 1-800-255-3924 MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY P.O. Box 426 Pittsburgh, PA 15230 PHONE (412) 967-3000

This product contains methane, oxygen and nitrogen, substances subject to the Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-To-Know Act.

PRO	DUCT	IDEN	TITY

LABEL IDENTITY -

MSA P/N 491041 Calibration Check Gas, 2.5% Methane in Air

CHEMICAL NAME -

Methane, Oxygen, Nitrogen Mixture

ADDITIONAL IDENTITIES - MSA P/N 491041 Calibration Gas

FORMULA -

CH<sub>4</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>

## APPLICABLE CHEMICAL CONTENTS

**TWA** 

Methane (CAS 74-82-8)

2.5

None\*

Balance None

NOTE: Gas Under Pressure, 1000 PSIG at 70°F, Approx. 100 Liters Gas at Atmospheric Pressure

# PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE AND ODOR - Colorless, Odorless Gas

**BOILING POINT - N/A** 

SPECIFIC GRAVITY  $(H_2O = 1) - N/A$ 

VAPOR PRESSURE - N/A

PERCENT VOLATILE BY VOLUME - N/A

VAPOR DENSITY (AIR = 1) - < 1

SOLUBILITY IN WATER -

Methane - 9 cm<sup>3</sup>/100 ml (20°C)

Oxygen - 3.2 cm<sup>3</sup>/100 ml (25°C)

Nitrogen - 2.3 cm<sup>3</sup>/100 ml (0°C)

N/A - Not Applicable

## PHYSICAL HAZARD INFORMATION

PHYSICAL HAZARD - Compressed Gas, 1000 PSIG at 70°F

CONDITIONS OR MATERIALS TO AVOID - None

FLASH POINT - N/A

LEL - N/A

UEL - N/A

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA - This Gas Mixture Is Not Flammable.

SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES - See Next Item

UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS - Gas Under Pressure, 1000 PSIG at 70°F. Do Not Exceed 120°F.

<sup>\*</sup>Methane is a simple asphyxiant (ACGIH 2001)

## **HEALTH HAZARDS**

HEALTH HAZARDS - Methane is a simple asphyxiant, ACGIH 2001.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE - None known for 2.5% Methane.

PRIMARY ROUTES OF ENTRY - Inhalation

TARGET ORGANS - Lungs

MEDICAL CONDITIONS GENERALLY RECOGNIZED AS BEING AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE - No Information

EXPOSURE LIMITS - Methane is a simple asphyxiant.

CARCINOGENICITY DATA - NIOSH RTECS, OSHA, NTP or IARC does not list component gases.

EMERGENCY AND FIRST AID PROCEDURES - Remove From Exposure to fresh air.

## SAFE HANDLING AND USE

HYGIENIC PRACTICES - Avoid Breathing Gas

PROTECTIVE MEASURES DURING REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF CONTAMINATED EQUIPMENT - N/A

PROCEDURES FOR SPILL OR LEAK CLEANUP - Ventilate Area. Avoid Breathing Gas.

WASTE DISPOSAL - Do not puncture or incinerate cylinder. Before discarding cylinder, slowly release contents to a safe exhaust.

STORAGE - Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area. Do not exceed 120°F.

#### **CONTROL MEASURES**

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT - Due to the limited amount of gas in the cylinder, and the low release rate employed in instrument calibration, respiratory protection is not indicated under conditions of intended use.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS - Mechanical ventilation is suitable.

WORK PRACTICES - Avoid breathing gas. Use in well-ventilated areas. Follow the calibration procedure detailed in the MSA instruction manual provided with the instrument under calibration.

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