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## 1. IDENTIFICATION

### Product identifier

**Product Name** Helium

### Other means of identification

**SDS #** EF-028  
**UN/ID No** UN1046

### Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

**Recommended Use** Synthetic/Analytical chemistry.

### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### **Supplier Address**

EFC Gases & Advanced Materials  
3266 Bergey Road  
Hatfield, PA 19440  
Email: efcsafety@efcgases.com

### Emergency telephone number

**Company Phone Number** 215-443-9600  
**Emergency Telephone** INFOTRAC 1-352-323-3500 (International)  
1-800-535-5053 (North America)

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Appearance** Colorless gas

**Physical state** Gas

**Odor** Odorless

### Classification

Gases under pressure	Liquefied gas
Gases under pressure	Refrigerated liquefied gas
Simple asphyxiants	Yes

### Signal Word

**Warning**

### Hazard statements

Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated  
Contains refrigerated gas; may cause cryogenic burns or injury  
May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation



### Precautionary Statements - Prevention

Wear cold insulating gloves/face shield/eye protection

**Precautionary Statements - Response**

Get immediate medical advice/attention

Thaw frosted parts with lukewarm water. Do not rub affected area

**Precautionary Statements - Storage**

Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place

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**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Chemical name	CAS No	Weight-%
Helium	7440-59-7	100

\*\*If Chemical Name/CAS No is "proprietary" and/or Weight-% is listed as a range, the specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.\*\*

**4. FIRST AID MEASURES****Description of first aid measures**

<b>Eye Contact</b>	Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Check for and remove any contact lenses. Continue to rinse for at least 10 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation occurs.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Flush contaminated skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention if symptoms occur. Wash clothing before reuse. Clean shoes thoroughly before reuse.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If not breathing, if breathing is irregular or if respiratory arrest occurs, provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel. If may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Get medical attention if adverse health effects persist or are severe. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway.
<b>Ingestion</b>	As this product is a gas, refer to the inhalation section.

**Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

<b>Symptoms</b>	Contact with rapidly expanding gas may cause burns or frostbite. Try to warm up the frozen tissues and seek medical attention.
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**Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically.
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**5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES****Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media** None known.**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Contains gas under pressure. In a fire or if heated, a pressure increase will occur and the container may burst or explode.

**Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters**

Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Contact supplier immediately for specialist advice. Move containers from fire area if this can be done without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures****Personal Precautions**

No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Avoid breathing gas. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.

**Environmental precautions****Environmental precautions**

Ensure emergency procedures to deal with accidental gas releases are in place to avoid contamination of the environment. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air). See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

**Methods and material for containment and cleaning up****Methods for Containment**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

**Methods for Clean-Up**

Immediately contact emergency personnel. Stop leak if without risk.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****Precautions for safe handling****Advice on Safe Handling**

Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Contains gas under pressure. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid breathing gas. Empty containers retain product residue and can be hazardous. Do not puncture or incinerate container. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure. Close valve after each use and when empty. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. Use a suitable hand truck for cylinder movement. Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities****Storage Conditions**

Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in a segregated and approved area. Store away from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials (see Section 10). Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Cylinders should be stored upright, with valve protection cap in place, and firmly secured to prevent falling or being knocked over. Cylinder temperatures should not exceed 52 °C (125 °F).

**Incompatible Materials**

None known based on information supplied.

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**Exposure Guidelines**

Chemical name	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Helium 7440-59-7	: See Appendix F: Minimal Oxygen Content	-	-

**Appropriate engineering controls**

**Engineering Controls** Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control worker exposure to airborne contaminants.

**Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**

**Eye/Face Protection** Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts. If contact is possible, the following protection should be worn, unless the assessment indicates a higher degree of protection: safety glasses with side shields.

**Skin and Body Protection** Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Considering the parameters specified by the glove manufacturer, check during use that the gloves are still retaining their protective properties. It should be noted that the time to breakthrough for any glove material may be different for different glove manufacturers. In the case of mixtures, consisting of several substances, the protection time of the gloves cannot be accurately estimated. Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product. Appropriate footwear and any additional skin protection measures should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.

**Respiratory Protection** Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

**General Hygiene Considerations** Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

**Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

<b>Physical state</b>	Gas	<b>Odor</b>	Odorless
<b>Appearance</b>	Colorless gas	<b>Odor Threshold</b>	Not determined
<b>Color</b>	Colorless		

<u>Property</u>	<u>Values</u>	<u>Remarks • Method</u>
pH	No data available	
Melting point / freezing point	-272.2°C / 458°F	
Initial boiling point and boiling range	-268.9°C / -452°F	
Flash point	-267.9°C / -450.2°F	
Evaporation Rate	Not determined	
Flammability (Solid, Gas)	Not determined	

**Flammability Limit in Air**

<b>Upper flammability or explosive limits</b>	No data available
<b>Lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	Not determined
<b>Vapor Density</b>	No data available
<b>Relative Density</b>	Not determined
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Not determined
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	Not determined
<b>Partition Coefficient</b>	Not determined
<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	No data available
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	Not determined
<b>Kinematic viscosity</b>	Not determined
<b>Dynamic Viscosity</b>	Not determined
<b>Explosive Properties</b>	Not determined
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	Not determined

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity**

Not reactive under normal conditions.

**Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**Possibility of hazardous reactions**

None under normal processing.

**Conditions to Avoid**

Keep out of reach of children.

**Incompatible materials**

None known based on information supplied.

**Hazardous decomposition products**

None known based on information supplied.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Information on likely routes of exposure****Product Information**

<b>Eye Contact</b>	Avoid contact with eyes.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Avoid contact with skin.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Do not inhale.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do not ingest.

**Component Information**

Not determined

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics**

<b>Symptoms</b>	Please see section 4 of this SDS for symptoms.
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**Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure**

**Carcinogenicity**

Based on the information provided, this product does not contain any carcinogens or potential carcinogens as listed by OSHA, IARC or NTP.

**Numerical measures of toxicity**

The following values are calculated based on chapter 3.1 of the GHS document Not determined.

**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Ecotoxicity**

The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.

**Component Information**

Not available

**Persistence/Degradability**

Not determined.

**Bioaccumulation**

There is no data for this product.

**Mobility**

Not determined

**Other adverse effects**

Not determined

**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Waste Treatment Methods**

**Disposal of Wastes**

Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging**

Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.

**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**Note**

Please see current shipping paper for most up to date shipping information, including exemptions and special circumstances.

**DOT**

<b>UN/ID No</b>	UN1046
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	Helium, compressed
<b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>	2.2

**IATA**

<b>UN number or ID number</b>	UN1046
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	Helium, compressed
<b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>	2.2

**IMDG**

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<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	Helium, compressed
<b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>	2.2

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**International Inventories**

Chemical name	TSCA	TSCA Inventory Status	DSL/NDSL	EINECS/ELI NCS	ENCS	IECSC	KECL	PICCS	AIC
Helium	X	ACTIVE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Legend:**

- TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory*
- DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List*
- EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances*
- ENCS - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances*
- IECSC - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances*
- KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances*
- PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances*
- AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances*

**US Federal Regulations**

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355).

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

<b>Acute health hazard</b>	No
<b>Chronic Health Hazard</b>	No
<b>Fire hazard</b>	No
<b>Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard</b>	Yes
<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	No

**SARA 313**

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372

**CWA (Clean Water Act)**

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42)

**US State Regulations**

**California Proposition 65**

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

Chemical name	New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Helium 7440-59-7	X	X	X

**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

<b><u>NFPA</u></b>	Health hazards	Flammability	Instability	Special hazards
	0	0	0	-
<b><u>HMIS</u></b>	Health hazards	Flammability	Physical hazards	Personal Protection
	-	-	-	Not determined

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**End of Safety Data Sheet**