

Section 1: Product and Company Identification

Absolute Accuracy
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Product Code: 2784

Synonyms:
Recommended Use:
Usage Restrictions:

Section 2: Hazards Identification



Danger

Hazard Classification:

Aspiration Hazard (Category 1)
Gases Under Pressure
Specific target organ toxicity (Single Exposure) (Category 3)

Hazard Statements:

Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated
May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways
May cause respiratory irritation;
Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary Statements

Prevention:

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/ vapors/spray.
[In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection.

Response:

Do NOT induce vomiting.
If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
Immediately call a poison center or doctor.
If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

Storage:

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
Protect from sunlight.
Store locked up.

Disposal:

Dispose of contents and/or container in accordance with applicable regulations.

Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

	CAS #	Concentration
n-Pentane	109-66-0	ppm 5000
Helium	7440-59-7	balance

	Chemical Substance	Chemical Family	Trade Names
n-Pentane	N-PENTANE	Hydrocarbons, Aliphatic, Saturated	PENTANE; AMYL HYDRIDE; UN 1265; C5H12
Helium	HELIUM	Inorganic gases	HELIUM GAS; HELIUM COMPRESSED; HELIUM-4; ATOMIC HELIUM; UN 1046; He

Section 4: First Aid Measures

	Skin Contact	Eye Contact	Ingestion	Inhalation	Note to Physicians
n-Pentane	Wash skin with soap and water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes.	Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.	Aspiration hazard. DO NOT induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head lower than hips to help prevent aspiration. Get immediate medical attention. Give artificial respiration if not breathing.	If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. Get immediate medical attention.	Not available
Helium	Wash exposed skin with soap and water.	Flush eyes with plenty of water.	If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.	If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Get immediate medical attention.	For inhalation, consider oxygen.

Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

	Suitable Extinguishing Media	Products of Combustion	Protection of Firefighters
n-Pentane	Regular dry chemical, carbon dioxide, water, regular foam. Large fires: Use regular foam or flood with fine water spray.	Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and toxic and irritating fumes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece. ▪ Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.
Helium	Non-flammable. Use suitable extinguishing media for surrounding fire.	Non-flammable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Non-flammable ▪ Non-flammable

Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

	Personal Precautions	Environmental Precautions	Methods for Containment
n-Pentane	Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry.	Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition.	Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Reduce vapors with water spray. Remove sources of ignition.
Helium	Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Stay upwind and keep out of low areas.	Avoid soil, waterways, drains and sewers	Stop leak if possible without personal risk.

	Methods for Cleanup	Other Information
n-Pentane	Small spills: Absorb with sand or other non-combustible material. Collect spilled material in appropriate container for disposal. Large spills: Dike for later disposal.	Not available
Helium	Stop leak, evacuate area. Contact emergency personnel.	None

Section 7: Handling and Storage

	Handling	Storage
n-Pentane	Store and use with adequate ventilation. Firmly secure cylinders upright to keep them from falling or being knocked over. Screw valve protection cap firmly in place by hand. Store only where temperature will not exceed 125F (52C). Store full and empty cylinders separately. Use a first-in, first-out inventory system to prevent storing full cylinders for long periods.	Do not get liquid in eyes, on skin, or clothing. Protect cylinders from damage. Use a suitable hand truck to move cylinders; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. Open valve slowly. Close cylinder valve after each use; keep closed even when empty. If valve is hard to open, discontinue use and contact your supplier.
Helium	Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101.	Keep separated from incompatible substances.

Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

	Exposure Guidelines
n-Pentane	PENTANE: 1000 ppm (2950 mg/m ³) OSHA TWA 600 ppm (1770 mg/m ³) OSHA TWA (vacated by 58 FR 35338, June 30, 1993) 750 ppm (2210 mg/m ³) OSHA STEL (vacated by 58 FR 35338, June 30, 1993) 600 ppm ACGIH TWA 120 ppm (350 mg/m ³) NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s) 610 ppm (1800 mg/m ³) NIOSH recommended ceiling 15 minute(s)
Helium	HELIUM: ACGIH (simple asphyxiant)

Engineering Controls

Handle only in fully enclosed systems.

	Eye Protection	Skin Protection	Respiratory Protection
n-Pentane	Wear splash resistant safety goggles. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.	Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing.	Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.
Helium	Eye protection not required, but recommended.	Protective clothing is not required.	Non-flammable

General Hygiene considerations

- Avoid breathing vapor or mist
- Avoid contact with eyes and skin
- Wash thoroughly after handling and before eating or drinking

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

	Physical State	Appearance	Color	Change in Appearance	Physical Form	Odor	Taste
n-Pentane	Liquid	Clear	Colorless	N/A	Liquid	Gasoline odor	N/A
Helium	Gas	Colorless	Colorless	N/A	Gas	Odorless	Tasteless

	Flash Point	Flammability	Partition Coefficient	Autoignition Temperature	Upper Explosive Limits	Lower Explosive Limits
n-Pentane	<-40 F (<-40 C) (CC)	IA	Not available	500 F (260 C)	0.078	0.014
Helium	Not flammable	Not available	Not available	Nonflammable	Nonflammable	Nonflammable

	Boiling Point	Freezing Point	Vapor Pressure	Vapor Density	Specific Gravity	Water Solubility	pH	Odor Threshold	Evaporation Rate	Viscosity
n-Pentane	96.93 F (36.07 C)	-201.5 F (-129.7 C)	400 mmHg @ 18.5 C	2.5 (Air=1)	0.626	0.0004	Not available	2.2-5000 ppm	28.6 (butyl acetate=1)	<32 SUS
Helium	-452 F (-269 C)	-458 F (-272 C) @ 26 atm	1719 mmHg @ -268 C	0.138 (Air=1)	Not applicable	0.94% @ 0 C	Not applicable	Not available	Not applicable	0.02012 cP @ 26.8 C

	Molecular Weight	Molecular Formula	Density	Weight per Gallon	Volatility by Volume	Volatility	Solvent Solubility
n-Pentane	72.15g/mol	C5-H12	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Soluble: Alcohol, ether, acetone, benzene, chloroform
Helium	4.0026	He	0.1785 g/L @ 0 C	Not available	100%	Not applicable	Insoluble: Not available

Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

	Stability	Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible Materials
n-Pentane	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Oxidizing materials, combustible materials, halogen compounds
Helium	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	No data available.

	Hazardous Decomposition Products	Possibility of Hazardous Reactions
n-Pentane	Oxides of carbon	Will not polymerize.
Helium	Miscellaneous decomposition products	Will not polymerize.

Section 11: Toxicology Information

Acute Effects

	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation
n-Pentane	>2000 mg/kg oral-rat LD50	Not available	Irritation, nausea, difficulty breathing, headache, drowsiness, dizziness, disorientation, mood swings, loss of coordination, central nervous system depression, asphyxiant
Helium	Not available	Not available	Nausea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, irregular heartbeat, headache, fatigue, dizziness, disorientation, emotional disturbances, tingling sensation, loss of coordination, suffocation, convulsions, unconsciousness, coma

	Eye Irritation	Skin Irritation	Sensitization
n-Pentane	Irritation	Irritation	Specific Target Organ Toxicity (single exposure), Category 3; H336: May cause drowsiness or dizziness. Aspiration hazard, Category 1; H304: May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.
Helium	Liquid: frostbite, blurred vision	Liquid: frostbite	Difficulty breathing

Chronic Effects

	Carcinogenicity	Mutagenicity	Reproductive Effects	Developmental Effects
n-Pentane	Not available	Not available	Not available	No data
Helium	Not available	Not available	Not available	No data

Section 12: Ecological Information

Fate and Transport

	Eco toxicity	Persistence / Degradability	Bioaccumulation / Accumulation	Mobility in Environment
n-Pentane	Fish toxicity: Not available Invertebrate toxicity: 3000000 ug/L 48 week(s) (Mortality) Pacific oyster (Crassostrea gigas) Algal toxicity: 1000 ug/L 8 year(s) EC50 (Photosynthesis) Algae, phytoplankton, algal mat (Algae) Phyto toxicity: Not available Other toxicity: Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
Helium	Fish toxicity: Not available Invertebrate toxicity: Not available Algal toxicity: Not available Phyto toxicity: Not available Other toxicity: Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available

Section 13: Disposal Considerations

n-Pentane	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001.
Helium	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Section 14: Transportation Information

U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101

DOT Information For This Mixture

Shipping Name	Compressed gas, n.o.s. (Helium, n-Pentane)
UN Number	UN1956
Hazard Class	2.2
Hazard Information	Non-Flammable Gas

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Individual Component Information

	Proper Shipping Name	ID Number	Hazard Class or Division	Packing Group	Labeling Requirements	Passenger Aircraft or Railcar Quantity Limitations	Cargo Aircraft Only Quantity Limitations	Additional Shipping Description
n-Pentane	Pentanes	UN1265	3	II	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Helium	Helium, compressed	UN1046	2.2	Not applicable	2.2	75 kg or L	150 kg	N/A

Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods

	Shipping Name	UN Number	Class	Packing Group / Risk Group
n-Pentane	Pentanes	UN1265	3	II
Helium	Helium, compressed	UN1046	2.2	Not applicable

Section 15: Regulatory Information

U.S. Regulations

	CERCLA Sections	SARA 355.30	SARA 355.40
n-Pentane	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.
Helium	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.

SARA 370.21

	Acute	Chronic	Fire	Reactive	Sudden Release
n-Pentane	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Helium	Yes	No	No	No	Yes

SARA 372.65

n-Pentane	Not regulated.
Helium	Not regulated.

OSHA Process Safety

n-Pentane	Not regulated.
Helium	Not regulated.

State Regulations

	CA Proposition 65
n-Pentane	Not regulated.
Helium	Not regulated.

Canadian Regulations

	WHMIS Classification
n-Pentane	B2
Helium	A

National Inventory Status

	US Inventory (TSCA)	TSCA 12b Export Notification	Canada Inventory (DSL/NDL)

n-Pentane	Listed on inventory.	PENTANE CAS NUMBER: 109-66-0 SECTION 4	Listed on inventory.
Helium	Listed on inventory.	Not listed.	Not determined.

Section 16: Other Information

	NFPA Rating
n-Pentane	HEALTH=2 FIRE=4 REACTIVITY=0
Helium	HEALTH=0 FIRE=0 REACTIVITY=0 SPECIAL=SA

0 = minimal hazard, 1 = slight hazard, 2 = moderate hazard, 3 = severe hazard, 4 = extreme hazard