

## Section 1: Product and Company Identification

**Absolute Accuracy**  
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Product Code: 3047

**Synonyms:** n/a  
**Recommended Use:** Industrial Calibration Gas  
**Usage Restrictions:** Calibration Gas

## Section 2: Hazards Identification



### Hazard Classification:

Flammable (Category 1)  
Gases Under Pressure

### Hazard Statements:

Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated  
Extremely flammable gas

### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention:

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

#### Response:

Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so.  
Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely.

#### Storage:

Protect from sunlight.  
Store in well-ventilated place.

## Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

	CAS #	Concentration
Propane	74-98-6	5 %
Ethane	74-84-0	15 %
Methane	74-82-8	BALANCE

	Chemical Substance	Chemical Family	Trade Names
Propane	PROPANE	Hydrocarbons, Aliphatic, Saturated	N-PROPANE; DIMETHYLMETHANE; PROPYL HYDRIDE; R-290; PROPYLHYDRIDE; LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS; LPG; >96% NATURAL GRADE; >99.9% PURE GRADE; UN 1978; C3H8
Ethane	ETHANE	Hydrocarbons, Aliphatic, Saturated	BIMETHYL; ETHANE, COMPRESSED; METHYLMETHANE; DIMETHYL; ETHYL HYDRIDE; UN 1035; C2H6
Methane	METHANE, COMPRESSED GAS	Hydrocarbons, Aliphatic, Saturated	FIRE DAMP; MARSH GAS; METHYL HYDRIDE; NATURAL GAS; METHANE; UN 1971; R50; CH4

## Section 4: First Aid Measures

	Skin Contact	Eye Contact	Ingestion	Inhalation	Note to Physicians
Propane	If frostbite or freezing occur, immediately flush with plenty of lukewarm water (105-115 F; 41-46 C). DO NOT USE HOT WATER. If warm water is not available, gently wrap affected parts in blankets. Get immediate medical attention.	Contact with liquid: Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.	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.
Ethane	If frostbite or freezing occur, immediately flush with plenty of lukewarm water (105-115 F; 41-46 C). DO NOT USE HOT WATER. If warm water is not available, gently wrap affected parts in blankets. Get immediate medical attention.	Contact with liquid: Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.	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.
Methane	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
<b>Propane</b>	Regular dry chemical, high expansion foam Large fires: Flood with fine water spray.	Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, water and toxic and irritating fumes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> <li>Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> </ul>
<b>Ethane</b>	Carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical Large fires: Flood with fine water spray.	Toxic gases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> <li>Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> </ul>
<b>Methane</b>	Carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical Large fires: Use regular foam or flood with fine water spray.	Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or heavy exposure. Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> <li>Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or heavy exposure. Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.</li> </ul>

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

	Personal Precautions	Environmental Precautions	Methods for Containment
<b>Propane</b>	Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Ventilate closed spaces before entering. Do not touch spilled material.	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.
<b>Ethane</b>	Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Do not touch spilled material. Ventilate closed spaces before entering.	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.
<b>Methane</b>	Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Ventilate closed spaces before entering.	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.

	Methods for Cleanup	Other Information
<b>Propane</b>	Contact emergency personnel	None
<b>Ethane</b>	Contact emergency personnel immediately.	Not available
<b>Methane</b>	Not available	Not available

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

	Handling	Storage
<b>Propane</b>	Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Grounding and bonding required. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101.	Keep separated from incompatible substances.
<b>Ethane</b>	Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Grounding and bonding required. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101.	Keep separated from incompatible substances.
<b>Methane</b>	Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Grounding and bonding required. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101.	Keep separated from incompatible substances.

## Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

	Exposure Guidelines
<b>Propane</b>	PROPANE: 1000 ppm (1800 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ) OSHA TWA 1000 ppm (1800 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ) NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s) LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG): 1000 ppm (1800 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ) OSHA TWA 1000 ppm ACGIH TWA 1000 ppm (1800 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ) NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s) ALIPHATIC HYDROCARBON GASES ALKANE (C1-C4): 1000 ppm ACGIH TWA
<b>Ethane</b>	TLV-TWA: 1000ppm (Aliphatic hydrocarbon gases: Alkane C1 - C4) (ACGIH)
<b>Methane</b>	METHANE, COMPRESSED GAS: ALIPHATIC HYDROCARBON GASES ALKANE (C1-C4): 1000 ppm ACGIH TWA METHANE: No occupational exposure limits established. ALIPHATIC HYDROCARBON GASES ALKANE (C1-C4): 1000 ppm ACGIH TWA

### Engineering Controls

Handle only in fully enclosed systems.

	Eye Protection	Skin Protection	Respiratory Protection
<b>Propane</b>	For the gas: Eye protection not required, but recommended. For the liquid: Wear splash resistant safety goggles. Contact lenses should not be worn. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.	For the gas: Protective clothing is not required. For the liquid: Wear appropriate protective, cold insulating clothing.	Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.
<b>Ethane</b>	For the gas: Eye protection not required, but recommended. For the liquid: Wear splash resistant safety goggles. Contact lenses should not be worn. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.	For the gas: Protective clothing is not required. For the liquid: Wear appropriate protective, cold insulating clothing.	Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.
<b>Methane</b>	Eye protection not required, but recommended.	Protective clothing is not required.	Respiratory protection may be needed for frequent or heavy exposure. Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.

### 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
<b>Propane</b>	Gas	Clear	Colorless	N/A	Gas	Gasoline odor	N/A
<b>Ethane</b>	Gas	Colorless	Colorless	N/A	Gas	Sweet odor	N/A
<b>Methane</b>	Gas	Colorless	Colorless	N/A	Gas	Odorless	Tasteless

	Flash Point	Flammability	Partition Coefficient	Autoignition Temperature	Upper Explosive Limits	Lower Explosive Limits
<b>Propane</b>	-157 F (-105 C)	Not available	Not available	842 F (450 C)	0.095	0.021
<b>Ethane</b>	-211 F (-135 C) (CC)	Not available	912.01 (log = 2.97) (estimated from water solubility)	882 F (472 C)	0.125	0.03
<b>Methane</b>	-369 F (-223 C)	Not available	724.44 (log = 2.87) (estimated from water solubility)	999 F (537 C)	15%	5%

	Boiling Point	Freezing Point	Vapor Pressure	Vapor Density	Specific Gravity	Water Solubility	pH	Odor Threshold	Evaporation Rate	Viscosity
<b>Propane</b>	-40 F (-40 C)	-310 F (-190 C)	6398 mmHg @ 21.1 C	1.55 (Air=1)	0.5853 @ -45 C	Very slightly soluble	Not applicable	5000-20000 ppm	Not applicable	Not available
<b>Ethane</b>	-128 F (-89 C)	-297 F (-183 C)	28842 mmHg @ 21 C	1.05 (Air=1)	Not applicable	4.7% @ 20 C	Not applicable	899 ppm	Not applicable for gas. Refrigerated liquefied ethane will evaporate rapidly at room temperature	0.00852 cP @ 0 C
<b>Methane</b>	-260 F (-162 C)	-297 F (-183 C)	760 mmHg @ -161 C	0.555 (Air=1)	Not applicable	3.5% @ 17 C	Not applicable	Not available	Not applicable	0.01118 cP @ 27 C

	Molecular Weight	Molecular Formula	Density	Weight per Gallon	Volatility by Volume	Volatility	Solvent Solubility
<b>Propane</b>	44.11	C-H3-C-H2-C-H3	0.116	Not available	Not available	Not applicable	Soluble: Absolute alcohol, ether, chloroform, benzene, turpentine
<b>Ethane</b>	30.07	C-H3-C-H3	1.242 g/L @ 25 C	Not available	Not available	1	Soluble: Benzene, ethanol
<b>Methane</b>	16.04	C-H4	0.717 g/L @ 0 C	Not available	Not applicable	Not applicable	Soluble: Alcohol, ether, benzene, organic solvents

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

	Stability	Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible Materials
<b>Propane</b>	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Oxidizing materials, combustible materials, halogen compounds,
<b>Ethane</b>	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Oxidizing materials, halogens,
<b>Methane</b>	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.	Halogens, oxidizing materials, combustible materials

	Hazardous Decomposition Products	Possibility of Hazardous Reactions
<b>Propane</b>	Oxides of carbon	Will not polymerize.
<b>Ethane</b>	Oxides of carbon	Will not polymerize.
<b>Methane</b>	Oxides of carbon	Will not polymerize.

## Section 11: Toxicology Information

### Acute Effects

	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation
<b>Propane</b>	LC50 Inhalation Gas. Rat >800000 ppm 15 minutes	Not available	Central nervous system depression, difficulty breathing, nausea, vomiting, irregular heartbeat, headache, symptoms of drunkenness, disorientation, suffocation, convulsions, coma
<b>Ethane</b>	Not available	Not available	Irritation, nausea, vomiting, irregular heartbeat, headache, dizziness, disorientation, emotional disturbances, tingling sensation, loss of coordination, suffocation, convulsions, unconsciousness, coma
<b>Methane</b>	Not available	Not available	Nausea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, irregular heartbeat, headache, drowsiness, fatigue, dizziness, disorientation, mood swings, tingling sensation, loss of coordination, suffocation, convulsions, unconsciousness, coma

	Eye Irritation	Skin Irritation	Sensitization
<b>Propane</b>	Liquid: frostbite, blurred vision	Liquid: blisters, frostbite	No health hazards classified.
<b>Ethane</b>	Frostbite	Frostbite	Difficulty breathing
<b>Methane</b>	No information on significant adverse effects	No information on significant adverse effects	Difficulty breathing

### Chronic Effects

	Carcinogenicity	Mutagenicity	Reproductive Effects	Developmental Effects
<b>Propane</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available	No data
<b>Ethane</b>	Not Listed.	Not available	Not available	No data
<b>Methane</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available	No data

## Section 12: Ecological Information

### Fate and Transport

	Eco toxicity	Persistence / Degradability	Bioaccumulation / Accumulation	Mobility in Environment
<b>Propane</b>	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
<b>Ethane</b>	Fish toxicity: Not available Invertebrate toxicity: Not available Algal toxicity: Not available Phyto toxicity: Not available Other toxicity: Not available	Relatively non-persistent in the environment. Highly volatile from water.	Accumulates very little in the bodies of living organisms.	Leaches through the soil or the sediment at a slow rate.
<b>Methane</b>	Fish toxicity: Not available Invertebrate toxicity: Not available Algal toxicity: Not available Phyto toxicity: Not available Other toxicity: Not available	Relatively non-persistent in the environment. Moderately volatile from water.	Accumulates very little in the bodies of living organisms.	Not expected to leach through the soil or the sediment.

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

<b>Propane</b>	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001.
<b>Ethane</b>	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001.
<b>Methane</b>	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001.

## Section 14: Transportation Information

U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101

### DOT Information For This Mixture

Shipping Name	Hydrocarbon gas mixture, compressed, n.o.s.
UN Number	UN1964
Hazard Class	2.1
Hazard Information	FLAMMABLE GAS

### 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
Propane	Propane	UN1978	2.1	Not applicable	2.1	Forbidden	150 kg	N/A
Ethane	Ethane	UN1035	2.1	Not applicable	2.1	Forbidden	150 kg	N/A
Methane	Methane, compressed	UN1971	2.1	Not applicable	2.1	Forbidden	150 kg	N/A

### Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods

	Shipping Name	UN Number	Class	Packing Group / Risk Group
Propane	Propane	UN1978	2.1	Not applicable
Ethane	Ethane	UN1035	2.1	Not applicable
Methane	Methane, compressed	UN1971	2.1	Not applicable

## Section 15: Regulatory Information

### U.S. Regulations

	CERCLA Sections	SARA 355.30	SARA 355.40
Propane	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.
Ethane	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.
Methane	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.

### SARA 370.21

	Acute	Chronic	Fire	Reactive	Sudden Release
Propane	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Ethane	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Methane	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes

**SARA 372.65**

<b>Propane</b>	Not regulated.
<b>Ethane</b>	Not regulated.
<b>Methane</b>	Not regulated.

**OSHA Process Safety**

<b>Propane</b>	Not regulated.
<b>Ethane</b>	Not regulated.
<b>Methane</b>	Not regulated.

**State Regulations**

	<b>CA Proposition 65</b>
<b>Propane</b>	Not regulated.
<b>Ethane</b>	Not regulated.
<b>Methane</b>	Not regulated.

**Canadian Regulations**

	<b>WHMIS Classification</b>
<b>Propane</b>	A, B1.
<b>Ethane</b>	A, B1.
<b>Methane</b>	A, B1

**National Inventory Status**

	<b>US Inventory (TSCA)</b>	<b>TSCA 12b Export Notification</b>	<b>Canada Inventory (DSL/NDSL)</b>
<b>Propane</b>	Listed on inventory.	Not listed.	Listed on inventory.
<b>Ethane</b>	Listed on inventory.	Not listed.	Listed on inventory.
<b>Methane</b>	Listed on inventory.	Not listed.	Listed on inventory.

**Section 16: Other Information**

	<b>NFPA Rating</b>
<b>Propane</b>	HEALTH=2 FIRE=4 REACTIVITY=0
<b>Ethane</b>	HEALTH=3 FIRE=4 REACTIVITY=0
<b>Methane</b>	HEALTH=0 FIRE=4 REACTIVITY=0

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