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# **SECTION: 1. Product and company identification**

1.1. Product identifier

Product form : Mixture

Name : AR - Methane 0.1 ppm - 10.00%

Other means of identification : Holston Gases P-5, Holston Gases P-10, Methane

Argon Mixture

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Use of the substance/mixture : Industrial use

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Holston Gases, Inc. 545 W Baxter Ave. Knoxville, TN 37921 - USA

T 1-865-573-1917 - F 1-865-573-0063 https://www.holstongases.com/

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : Onsite Emergency: 1-800-645-4633

CHEMTREC, 24hr/day 7days/week

— Within USA: 1-800-424-9300, Outside USA: 001-703-527-3887

(collect calls accepted, Contract 17729)

# **SECTION 2: Hazard identification**

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

#### **GHS-US** classification

Compressed gas H280

## 2.2. Label elements

#### **GHS-US** labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS-US)



GHS0

Signal word (GHS-US) : WARNING

Hazard statements (GHS-US) : H280 - CONTAINS GAS UNDER PRESSURE; MAY EXPLODE IF HEATED

OSHA-H01 - MAY DISPLACE OXYGEN AND CAUSE RAPID SUFFOCATION

Precautionary statements (GHS-US) : CGA-PG02 - Protect from sunlight when ambient temperature exceeds 52°C (125°F)

P271+P403 - Use and store only outdoors or in a well-ventilated place

2.3. Other hazards

Other hazards not contributing to the : Asphyxiant in high concentrations.

classification

2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS US)

No data available

# **SECTION 3: Composition/Information on ingredients**

3.1. Substance

Not applicable

3.2. Mixture



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Name	Product identifier	%
Argon		90 - 99.99999
Methane		0.00001 - 10

## **SECTION 4: First aid measures**

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, trained personnel should give oxygen. Call a

physician.

First-aid measures after skin contact

: Adverse effects not expected from this product.

First-aid measures after eye contact

: Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. Hold the eyelids open and away from the eyeballs to ensure that all surfaces are flushed thoroughly. Contact an

ophthalmologist immediately.

First-aid measures after ingestion

: Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

#### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

No additional information available

#### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

None.

# **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

#### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Reactivity : No reactivity hazard other than the effects described in sub-sections below.

#### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

Firefighting instructions

: Evacuate all personnel from the danger area. Use self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and protective clothing. Immediately cool containers with water from maximum distance. Stop flow of gas if safe to do so, while continuing cooling water spray. Remove ignition sources if safe to do so. Remove containers from area of fire if safe to do so. On-site fire brigades must comply with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.156 and applicable standards under 29 CFR 1910 Subpart L—Fire Protection.

Protection during firefighting

: Compressed gas: asphyxiant. Suffocation hazard by lack of oxygen.

Special protective equipment for fire fighters

: Standard protective clothing and equipment (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire

fighters.

Other information

Containers are equipped with a pressure relief device. (Exceptions may exist where authorized by DOT.).

## **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

# 6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

No additional information available

# 6.1.2. For emergency responders

No additional information available

# 6.2. Environmental precautions

Prevent waste from contaminating the surrounding environment. Prevent soil and water pollution. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations. Contact supplier for any special requirements.

## 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

No additional information available

## 6.4. Reference to other sections

See also sections 8 and 13.



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# **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

#### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling

: Wear leather safety gloves and safety shoes when handling cylinders. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop. While moving cylinder, always keep in place removable valve cover. Never attempt to lift a cylinder by its cap; the cap is intended solely to protect the valve. When moving cylinders, even for short distances, use a cart (trolley, hand truck, etc.) designed to transport cylinders. Never insert an object (e.g, wrench, screwdriver, pry bar) into cap openings; doing so may damage the valve and cause a leak. Use an adjustable strap wrench to remove over-tight or rusted caps. Slowly open the valve. If the valve is hard to open, discontinue use and contact your supplier. Close the container valve after each use; keep closed even when empty. Never apply flame or localized heat directly to any part of the container. High temperatures may damage the container and could cause the pressure relief device to fail prematurely, venting the container contents. For other precautions in using this product, see section 16.

#### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions

: Store in a cool, well-ventilated place. Store and use with adequate ventilation. Store only where temperature will not exceed 125°F (52°C). Firmly secure containers upright to keep them from falling or being knocked over. Install valve protection cap, if provided, firmly in place by hand. Store full and empty containers separately. Use a first-in, first-out inventory system to prevent storing full containers for long periods

OTHER PRECAUTIONS FOR HANDLING, STORAGE, AND USE: When handling product under pressure, use piping and equipment adequately designed to withstand the pressures to be encountered. Never work on a pressurized system. Use a back flow preventive device in the piping. Gases can cause rapid suffocation because of oxygen deficiency; store and use with adequate ventilation. If a leak occurs, close the container valve and blow down the system in a safe and environmentally correct manner in compliance with all international, federal/national, state/provincial, and local laws; then repair the leak. Never place a container where it may become part of an electrical circuit.

#### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

None.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

#### 8.1. Control parameters

Methane (74-82-8)		
ACGIH	Not established	
USA OSHA	Not established	
Argon (7440-37-1)		
ACGIH	Not established	
USA OSHA	Not established	

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

: Provide adequate general and local exhaust ventilation. Ensure exposure is below occupational exposure limits (where available).

Eye protection

: Wear safety glasses when handling cylinders; vapor-proof goggles and a face shield during cylinder changeout or whenever contact with product is possible. Select eye protection in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.133.

Skin and body protection

: Wear metatarsal shoes and work gloves for cylinder handling, and protective clothing where needed. Wear appropriate chemical gloves during cylinder changeout or wherever contact with product is possible. Select per OSHA 29 CFR 1910.132, 1910.136, and 1910.138.

Respiratory protection

: When workplace conditions warrant respirator use, follow a respiratory protection program that meets OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134, ANSI Z88.2, or MSHA 30 CFR 72.710 (where applicable). Use an air-supplied or air-purifying cartridge if the action level is exceeded. Ensure that the respirator has the appropriate protection factor for the exposure level. If cartridge type respirators are used, the cartridge must be appropriate for the chemical exposure. For emergencies or instances with unknown exposure levels, use a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) or positive pressure airline with mask are to be used in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.



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Thermal hazard protection : Wear cold insulating gloves when transfilling or breaking transfer connections.

# SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. I	nformation on	basic physica	il and chemi	ical properties

Physical state : Gas
Color : Colorless

: No data available Odor Odor threshold No data available рΗ Not applicable. Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1) : No data available Relative evaporation rate (ether=1) Not applicable. Melting point No data available No data available Freezing point **Boiling point** No data available Flash point : No data available

Auto-ignition temperature : No data available
Decomposition temperature : No data available
Flammability (solid, gas) : No data available
Vapor pressure : Not applicable.
Relative vapor density at 20 °C : No data available
Relative density : No data available

Solubility : Water: No data available

Log Pow: Not applicable.Log Kow: Not applicable.Viscosity, kinematic: Not applicable.Viscosity, dynamic: Not applicable.Explosive properties: Not applicable.

Oxidizing properties : None.

Explosion limits : No data available

9.2. Other information

No additional information available

# SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

No reactivity hazard other than the effects described in sub-sections below.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No additional information available

10.4. Conditions to avoid

No additional information available

10.5. Incompatible materials

No additional information available

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

No additional information available

# **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

11.1. Information on toxicological effects



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Acute toxicity : Not classified

Skin corrosion/irritation : Not classified

pH: Not applicable.

Serious eye damage/irritation : Not classified

pH: Not applicable.

Respiratory or skin sensitization : Not classified
Germ cell mutagenicity : Not classified
Carcinogenicity : Not classified
Reproductive toxicity : Not classified
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) : Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated

exposure)

: Not classified

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

# **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

#### 12.1. Toxicity

No additional information available

## 12.2. Persistence and degradability

P-5, P-10			
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.		
Methane (74-82-8)			
Persistence and degradability	The substance is biodegradable. Unlikely to persist.		
Argon (7440-37-1)			
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.		

# 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

P-5, P-10				
Log Pow	Not applicable.			
Log Kow	Not applicable.			
Bioaccumulative potential No ecological damage caused by this product.				
Methane (74-82-8)				
Log Pow	1.09			
Bioaccumulative potential	Not expected to bioaccumulate due to the low log Kow (log Kow < 4). Refer to section 9.			
Argon (7440-37-1)				
Log Pow	Not applicable.			
Log Kow Not applicable.				
Bioaccumulative potential No ecological damage caused by this product.				

## 12.4. Mobility in soil

P-5, P-10			
Mobility in soil	No data available.		
Methane (74-82-8)			
Ecology - soil	Because of its high volatility, the product is unlikely to cause ground or water pollution.		
Argon (7440-37-1)			
Mobility in soil	No data available.		
Ecology - soil No ecological damage caused by this product.			

#### 12.5. Other adverse effects

Effect on ozone layer : None



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# **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

Waste treatment methods : Do not attempt to dispose of residual or unused quantities. Return container to supplier. Waste disposal recommendations : Do not attempt to dispose of residual or unused quantities. Return container to supplier.

# **SECTION 14: Transport information**

In accordance with DOT

: UN1956 Compressed gas, n.o.s., 2.2 Transport document description

: UN1956 UN-No.(DOT)

Proper Shipping Name (DOT) : Compressed gas, n.o.s. Hazard labels (DOT) : 2.2 - Non-flammable gas



: G - Identifies proper shipping name (PSN) requiring the addition of technical name(s) in **DOT Symbols** 

parentheses following the PSN

#### **Additional information**

Other information : No supplementary information available.

: Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's Special transport precautions

compartment. Ensure vehicle driver is aware of the potential hazards of the load and knows what to do in the event of an accident or an emergency. Before transporting product containers: - Ensure there is adequate ventilation. - Ensure that containers are firmly secured. - Ensure cylinder valve is closed and not leaking. - Ensure valve outlet cap nut or plug (where provided)

is correctly fitted. - Ensure valve protection device (where provided) is correctly fitted.

Transport by sea

UN-No. (IMDG) : 1956

: COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S. Proper Shipping Name (IMDG)

Class (IMDG) : 2.2 - Non-flammable, non-toxic gases

Air transport

UN-No. (IATA) : 1956

Proper Shipping Name (IATA) COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.

Class (IATA)

# **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

#### 15.1. US Federal regulations

No additional information available

## 15.2. International regulations

## **CANADA**

# Methane (74-82-8)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

# Argon (7440-37-1)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

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# 15.2.2. National regulations

No additional information available

I5.3. US State regulations		
P-5, P-10()		
U.S California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	No	
U.S California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	No	
U.S California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	No	
U.S California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	No	

Methane (74-82-8)					
U.S California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	U.S California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	U.S California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	U.S California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	Non-significant risk level (NSRL)	
No	No	No	No		
Argon (7440-37-1)	Argon (7440-37-1)				
U.S California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	U.S California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	U.S California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	U.S California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	Non-significant risk level (NSRL)	
No	No	No	No		

# Methane (74-82-8)

- U.S. Massachusetts Right To Know List
- U.S. New Jersey Right to Know Hazardous Substance List
- U.S. Pennsylvania RTK (Right to Know) List

# Argon (7440-37-1)

- U.S. Massachusetts Right To Know List
- U.S. New Jersey Right to Know Hazardous Substance List
- U.S. Pennsylvania RTK (Right to Know) List



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## SECTION 16: Other info.

Other information

When you mix two or more chemicals, you can create additional, unexpected hazards. Obtain and evaluate the safety information for each component before you produce the mixture. Consult an industrial hygienist or other trained person when you evaluate the end product. Before using any plastics, confirm their compatibility with this product

Holston Gases asks users of this product to study this SDS and become aware of the product hazards and safety information. To promote safe use of this product, a user should (1) notify employees, agents, and contractors of the information in this SDS and of any other known product hazards and safety information, (2) furnish this information to each purchaser of the product, and (3) ask each purchaser to notify its employees and customers of the product hazards and safety information

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