



METHANE

Material Safety Data Sheet

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name	METHANE
Product Code(s)	G-56, 1033
UN-Number	UN1971
Recommended Use	Compressed gas.
Synonyms	Methyl Hydride; Methane, Compressed; Marsh Gas
Supplier Address*	<p>TAIYU INDUSTRIAL GASES Limited 16/F, Kowloon building, 555 Nathan Road, Mongkok Kowloon, Hong Kong TELEPHONE NUMBER: (852)22979277</p> <p>Chengdu Taiyu Industrial Gases Co.,Ltd No.2375, Chengluo Avenue, Longquan District, Chengdu City, China TELEPHONE NUMBER: (86)28 88455212</p>

* May include subsidiaries or affiliate companies/ divisions.

For additional product information contact your local customer service.

Chemical Emergency Phone Number Chemtrec: 1-800-424-9300 for US/ 703-527-3887 outside US

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

DANGER!	Emergency Overview	
	Extremely flammable Asphyxiant at high concentrations Contents under pressure Keep at temperatures below 52°C / 125°F	
Appearance Colorless	Physical State Compressed gas.	Odor Odorless

OSHA Regulatory Status This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

Potential Health Effects

Principle Routes of Exposure	Inhalation.
Acute Toxicity	
Inhalation	Simple asphyxiant. May cause suffocation by displacing the oxygen in the air. Exposure to oxygen-deficient atmosphere (<19.5%) may cause dizziness, drowsiness, nausea, vomiting, excess salivation, diminished mental alertness, loss of consciousness and death. Exposure to atmospheres containing 8-10% or less oxygen will bring about unconsciousness without warning and so quickly that the individuals cannot help or protect themselves. Lack of sufficient oxygen may cause serious injury or death.
Eyes	None known. Contact with rapidly expanding gas near the point of release may cause frostbite.
Skin	None known. Contact with rapidly expanding gas near the point of release may cause frostbite.
Skin Absorption Hazard	No known hazard in contact with skin.
Ingestion	Not an expected route of exposure.
Chronic Effects	None known
Aggravated Medical Conditions	Cardiovascular.
Environmental Hazard	See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Name	CAS-No	Volume %	Chemical Formula
Methane	74-82-8	>99	CH ₄

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact	None required for gas. If frostbite is suspected, flush eyes with cool water for 15 minutes and obtain immediate medical attention.
Skin Contact	None required for gas. For dermal contact or suspected frostbite, remove contaminated clothing and flush affected areas with lukewarm water. DO NOT USE HOT WATER. A physician should see the patient promptly if contact with the product has resulted in blistering of the dermal surface or in deep tissue freezing.
Inhalation	PROMPT MEDICAL ATTENTION IS MANDATORY IN ALL CASES OF INHALATION OVEREXPOSURE. RESCUE PERSONNEL SHOULD BE EQUIPPED WITH SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS. Conscious inhalation victims should be assisted to an uncontaminated area and inhale fresh air. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. Unconscious persons should be moved to an uncontaminated area and, as necessary, given artificial resuscitation and supplemental oxygen. Treatment should be symptomatic and supportive.
Ingestion	None under normal use. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable Properties	Extremely flammable. Containers may explode when heated.
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Suitable Extinguishing Media Dry chemical or CO₂. Water spray or fog. DO NOT EXTINGUISH A LEAKING GAS FIRE UNLESS LEAK CAN BE STOPPED.

Hazardous Combustion Products Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

Explosion Data

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact None

Sensitivity to Static Discharge Yes.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical Rapid flame propagation and flashback possible. May form explosive mixtures with air. Continue to cool fire exposed cylinders until flames are extinguished. Cylinders may rupture under extreme heat. Damaged cylinders should be handled only by specialists.

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters If possible, stop the flow of gas. Do not extinguish the fire until supply is shut off as otherwise an explosive-ignition may occur. If the fire is extinguished and the flow of gas continues, use increased ventilation to prevent build-up of explosive atmosphere. Ventilation fans must be explosion proof. Use non-sparking tools to close container valves.

Isolate spill or leak area for at least 100 meters (330 feet) in all directions. Vapors from liquefied gas are initially heavier than air and spread along ground. Vapors may accumulate in confined areas (basement, tanks, hopper/ tank cars, etc.). Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. For massive fire, use unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles; if this is impossible withdraw from area and let fire burn.

Use water spray to cool surrounding containers. Be cautious of a Boiling Liquid Evaporating Vapor Explosion, BLEVE, if flame is impinging on surrounding containers.

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 ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus when entering area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe. Monitor oxygen level.

Environmental Precautions Use water spray to reduce vapors or divert vapor cloud drift. Avoid allowing water runoff to contact spilled material. Prevent spreading of vapors through sewers, ventilation systems and confined areas.

Methods for Containment Stop the flow of gas or remove cylinder to outdoor location if this can be done without risk. If leak is in container or container valve, contact the appropriate emergency telephone number in Section 1 or call your closest Linde location.

Methods for Cleaning Up Return cylinder to Linde or an authorized distributor.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling

Ground and bond all lines and equipment associated with product system. All equipment should be non-sparking and explosion proof. Remove all sources of ignition. Use only in ventilated areas. "NO SMOKING" signs should be posted in storage and use areas.

Never attempt to lift a cylinder by its valve protection cap. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop. When moving cylinders, even for short distance, use a cart designed to transport cylinders. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure. Use backflow preventive device in piping.

Use an adjustable strap wrench to remove over-tight or rusted caps. Never insert an object (e.g. wrench, screwdriver, pry bar, etc.) into valve cap openings. Doing so may damage valve, causing leak to occur. If user experiences any difficulty operating cylinder valve discontinue use and contact supplier.

Never put cylinders into trunks of cars or unventilated areas of passenger vehicles. Never attempt to refill a compressed gas cylinder without the owner's written consent. Never strike an arc on a compressed gas cylinder or make a cylinder a part of an electrical circuit.

Storage

Outside or detached storage is preferred. Protect from physical damage. Cylinders should be stored upright with valve protection cap in place and firmly secured to prevent falling. Store in cool, dry, well-ventilated area of non-combustible construction away from heavily trafficked areas and emergency exits. Keep at temperatures below 52°C / 125°F. Full and empty cylinders should be segregated. Use a "first in-first out" inventory system to prevent full cylinders from being stored for excessive periods of time. Always store and handle compressed gas cylinders in accordance with Compressed Gas Association, pamphlet CGA-P1, Safe Handling of Compressed Gases in Containers.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Guidelines

Chemical Name	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Methane 74-82-8	TWA: 1000 ppm		

Engineering Measures

Showers. Eyewash stations. Explosion proof ventilation systems. Local exhaust ventilation to prevent accumulation of high concentrations and maintain air-oxygen levels at or above 19.5%.

Ventilation

Use ventilation adequate to keep exposures below recommended exposure limits.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/Face Protection

Wear protective eyewear (safety glasses).

Skin and Body Protection

Work gloves and safety shoes are recommended when handling cylinders. Cotton or Nomex® clothing is recommended to prevent static build-up.

Respiratory Protection

General Use

If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, NIOSH/MSHA approved respiratory protection should be worn. Positive-pressure supplied air respirators may be required for high airborne contaminant concentrations. Respiratory protection must be provided in accordance with current local regulations.

Emergency Use

Use positive pressure airline respirator with escape cylinder or self contained breathing apparatus for oxygen-deficient atmospheres (<19.5%).

Hygiene Measures

Wear suitable gloves and eye/ face protection.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	Colorless.	Odor	Odorless.
Odor Threshold	No information available	Physical State	Compressed gas
FlashPoint	-306 °F / -188 °C	FlashpointMethod	Closed cup
Autoignition Temperature	580 °C / 1076 °F	Decomposition Temperature	No information available.
Boiling Point/ Boiling Range	-161.5 °C / -285.7 °F	FreezingPoint	-182.5 °C / -296.5 °F
MolecularWeight	16.042	WaterSolubility	Negligible
Evaporation Rate	No information available	Vapor Pressure	No data available.
VaporDensity	0.55 (air = 1)	GasDensity	0.04235 lb/ ft ³ (0.6784 kg/ m ³) @ 21.1 °C (70 °F)
VOCCContent(%)	Not applicable.	Partition Coefficient: n-octanol/ water	1.09
Critical Pressure	4,640 kPa (45.9 atm)	Flammability Limits in Air	
		Upper	15%
		Lower	5%

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability	Stable.
Incompatible Products	Oxidizing agents.
Conditions to Avoid	Heat, flames and sparks.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO ₂).
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

LD50 Oral:	No information available.
LD50 Dermal:	No information available.
LC50 Inhalation:	No information available.
Repeated Dose Toxicity	No information available.

Chronic Toxicity

Chronic Toxicity	None known.
Carcinogenicity	Contains no ingredient listed as a carcinogen.
Irritation	No information available.

Sensitization	No information available.
Reproductive Toxicity	No information available.
Developmental Toxicity	No information available.
Synergistic Materials	None known.
Target Organ Effects	None known.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Will not bioconcentrate.

Ozone depletion potential; ODP; (R-11 = 1): Does not contain ozone depleting chemical (40 CFR Part 82).

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Methods Do not attempt to dispose of residual waste or unused quantities. Return in the shipping container PROPERLY LABELED WITH ANY VALVE OUTLET PLUGS OR CAPS SECURED AND VALVE PROTECTION CAP IN PLACE to Linde for proper disposal.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT

Proper shipping name	Methane, compressed
Hazard Class	2.1
Subsidiary Class	None
UN-Number	UN1971
Description	UN1971, Methane, compressed, 2.1

TDG

Proper Shipping Name	Methane, compressed
Hazard Class	2.1
UN-Number	UN1971
Description	UN1971, METHANE, COMPRESSED, 2.1

MEX

Proper Shipping Name	Methane, compressed
Hazard Class	2.1
UN-Number	UN1971
Description	UN1971, Methane, compressed, 2.1

IATA

UN-Number	UN1971
Proper Shipping Name	Methane, compressed
Hazard Class	2.1
ERG Code	10L

Description	UN1971,Methane, compressed,2.1
Maximum Quantity for Passenger	Forbidden
Maximum Quantity for Cargo Only	150 kg
Limited Quantity	No information available.

IMDG/ IMO

Proper Shipping Name	Methane, compressed
Hazard Class	2.1
UN-Number	UN1971
EmSNo.	F-D, S-U
Description	UN1971, Methane, compressed,2.1, FP-188C

ADR

Proper Shipping Name	Methane, compressed
Hazard Class	2.1
UN-Number	UN1971
Classification Code	1F
Description	UN1971, Methane, compressed,2.1

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

International Inventories

TSCA	Complies
DSL	Complies
EINECS/ ELINCS	Complies

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 Commercial Chemical Substances/ EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

U.S. Federal Regulations

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.

SARA 311/ 312 Hazard Categories

Acute Health Hazard	No
Chronic Health Hazard	No
Fire Hazard	Yes
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	Yes
Reactive Hazard	No

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).

Risk and Process Safety Management Programs

This material, as supplied, contains one or more regulated substances with specified thresholds under 40 CFR Part 68 or regulated as a highly hazardous chemical pursuant to the 29 CFR Part 1910.110 with specified thresholds:

Chemical Name	U.S. - CAA (Clean Air Act) - Accidental Release Prevention - Toxic Substances	U.S. - CAA (Clean Air Act) - Accidental Release Prevention - Flammable Substances	U.S. - OSHA - Process Safety Management - Highly Hazardous Chemicals
Methane		10000 lbs	

Clean Air Act, Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) (see 40 CFR 61)

This product does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous air pollutants (HAPS) under Section 112 of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

CERCLA/ SARA

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). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material.

U.S. State Regulations

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Chemical Name	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Methane	X	X	X		X

International Regulations

Canada

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

WHMIS Hazard Class

- A Compressed gases
- B1 Flammable gas



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<u>NFPA</u>	Health Hazard 0	Flammability 4	Stability 0	Physical and Chemical Hazards -
<u>HMIS</u>	Health Hazard 0	Flammability 4	Physical Hazard 3	Personal Protection -

Note: Ratings were assigned in accordance with Compressed Gas Association (CGA) guidelines as published in CGA Pamphlet P-19-2009, CGA Recommended Hazard Ratings for Compressed Gases, 3rd Edition.

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