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# Hydrocarbon Aerosol Propellant (HAP)

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This SDS conforms to the Globally Harmonised System (GHS), South African Regulations on Hazardous Chemical Agents, and SANS 10234, SANS 11014 & SANS 10228.

SECTION 1: PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION			
Product name	Hydrocarbon Aerosol Propellant (HAP)		
Chemical Name	Mixture of n-butane (C4H10), isobutane (C4H10), and propane (C3H8).		
Other means of identification	Butane, Cosmetic Butane, Propane, Normal Butane, N-Butane, B/CB31, B/CB36, B/CB40, B/CB45, B/CB46, B/CB48, B/CB56, B/CB62, B/CB74, B/CB5.6		
Recommended Intended Purpose	Aerosol Propellants, Foaming (blowing) agent.		
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Emergency Telephone	0800 172 743		
	Rapid Spill Response - 24 hours, 7 days a week		

SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION					
Classification of the	mixture - GH	IS classificat	ion as pu	blished through ECHA	
Hazard Classification	n	Category	Hazard	Statement	
Flammable Gas	1	H220 Extremely flammable gas.			
			H280	Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated	
Hazard Pictograms	N. A.	GH	S02 GHS04		
Signal Word		Danger			
Precautionary State	ements				
General:	P101	If r	nedical a	dvice is needed, have product container or label at hand	
	P102	Ke	Keep out of reach of children		
	P103	Read carefully and follow all instructions		lly and follow all instructions	
Prevention	P210	Ke	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other		
		ign	ignition sources. No smoking		
Response	P377	Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped			
		saf	safely.		
	P381	In	In case of leakage, eliminate all ignition sources		
Storage	P403	Sto	Store in a well-ventilated place.		
	P405	Sto	Store locked up.		
Disposal	P501		Dispose of contents/ container to an approved facility in		
		ace	accordance with local, regional, national, and international regulations.		
Main Hazard	This mixtu	mixture is an extremely flammable gas.			
Other Hazards		An asphyxiant at high concentrations – oxygen depletion can be fatal.  Contact with evaporating liquid may cause frostbite or freezing of skin			



**SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES** 

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Remove to fresh air. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer

Symptoms: Dizziness, Headache, Nausea, Frostbite, Vomiting,

## **SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

## Mixture

Inhalation

Notes to physician

B/CB31, B/CB36, B/CB40, B/CB45, B/CB46, B/CB48, B/CB56, B/CB62, B/CB74, B/CB5.6 This product is a blend of n-butane (C4H10), isobutane (C4H10), and propane (C3H8).

CAS No	EC No	Name	Weighting
106-97-8	203-448-7	n-butane (C4H10),	> 50%
75-28-5	200-857-2	isobutane (C4H10)	> 40%
74-98-6	200-827-9	propane (C3H8).	< 3%
UN Number:	1950	Mixture CAS No	68476-85-7

See Section 8 for Exposure Guidelines and Section 15 for Regulatory Classifications.

	artificial respiration. Give oxygen. Seek medical attention.
Skin contact	For exposure to liquid, immediately warm the frostbite area with warm water not to exceed 41°C. In case of massive exposure, remove contaminated clothing while showering with warm water. Obtain medical attention.
Eye contact	Immediately flush your eyes thoroughly with warm water for at least 15 minutes.  Remove contact lenses. Hold the eyelids open and away from the eyeballs to ensure that all surfaces are flushed thoroughly. Seek medical attention immediately.
Ingestion	Ingestion is considered unlikely. If accidentally swallowed obtain

Hazards: This material may be a cardiac sensitizer; avoid the use of
epinephrine. Treatment: Treatment of overexposure should be
directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the
patient.

Discomfort

immediate medical attention.

SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES			
Suitable extinguishing media	Water spray, Dry chemicals, Foam, Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), and Fire should not be extinguished unless flow of gas can be immediately stopped.		
Specific hazards during firefighting	Flammable Gas. Vapours are heavier than air and may travel long distances to a point of ignition and flashback.  Exposure to fire may cause containers to rupture.		
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing as needed for protection from heat and airborne combustion products. Use water to cool equipment, surfaces, and containers exposed to		



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### **Further information**

fire and excessive heat. For large fires, the use of unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles may be advantageous to further minimize personnel exposure.

Allow the fire to burn under controlled conditions. The fire should not be extinguished unless the flow of gas can be immediately stopped. Stop the leak if you can do it without risk. Evacuate area. If a leak or spill has not ignited, use water spray to disperse the vapours and to protect personnel attempting to stop a leak. Prevent runoff from fire control or dilution from entering streams, sewers, or drinking water supply. Use water to cool equipment, surfaces, and containers exposed to fire and excessive heat. For large fires the use of unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles may be advantageous to further minimize personnel exposure.

## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

### **Personal precautions**

Ventilate the area. Warn or evacuate occupants in surrounding and downwind areas if required due flammability of the material.

Emergency eye wash capability should be available in the vicinity of any potential splash exposure.

Promptly remove contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

### **Environmental precautions**

Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements, or confined areas.

### Methods for cleaning up

The product evaporates readily. Land Spill: Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in the immediate area). CAUTION: When in contact with refrigerated/cryogenic liquids, many materials become brittle and are likely to break without warning. Allow the liquid to evaporate from the surface. All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded. Do not direct water at the spill or source of the leak. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. If possible, turn leaking containers so that gas escapes rather than liquid. Isolate the area until the gas has dispersed. Prevent the spreading of vapours through sewers, ventilation systems, and confined areas. Use water spray to reduce vapours or divert vapour cloud drift. Avoid allowing water runoff to contact spilled material. Water Spill: Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in the immediate area). Allow the liquid to evaporate from the surface.

## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### Precautions for safe handling

Keep away from fire, sparks, and heated surfaces. No smoking near areas where material is stored or handled.

Use only with adequate ventilation.

The product should only be stored and handled in areas with suitably safe electrical classification.

Hydrocarbon liquids including this product can act as a non-conductive flammable liquid (or static accumulators) and may form ignitable vapour-air mixtures in storage tanks or other containers. Precautions to prevent static-initiated fire or explosion during transfer, storage or handling should be taken, including but not limited to ground and bond containers during product transfers. Grounding and bonding may not be adequate protection to prevent ignition or explosion of hydrocarbon liquids and vapours that are static accumulators.



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Conditions for safe storage, including incompatibilities

**Engineering Controls** 

Keep away from flame, sparks, excessive temperatures, and open flame. Use approved containers suitable for this product, temperature, and pressure. Keep containers closed and clearly labelled. Empty or partially full product containers or vessels may contain explosive vapours. Do not pressurize, cut, heat, weld or expose containers to sources of ignition. Store in a well-ventilated area. The storage area should comply with local and national legislation and standards. Contact your gas supplier if in doubt. Incompatible with oxidizing agents.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION					
Guideline:	Guideline:				
List	Components	CAS-No	Туре	Value	
OSHA Z1	Propane	74-98-6	PEL	1,000 ppm 1,800 mg/m3	
ACGIH	Butane	106-97-8	TWA	1,000 ppm	
	Isobutane	75-28-5	TWA	1,000 ppm	
	Propane	74-98-6	TWA	1,000 ppm	
Protective measures		Avoid contact with skin. When using do not smoke. Keep out of reach of children. Keep away from heat and flame. Personal protective equipment selections vary based on potential exposure conditions such as applications, handling practices, concentration, and ventilation. Information on the selection of protective equipment for material is based upon intended, normal usage.			
Eye protection		Goggles and face shields as needed to prevent eye and face contact.			
Hand protection		Suitable gloves made of plastic or rubber. If contact with forearms is likely, wear gauntlet-style gloves.			
Skin and bo	dy protection	Where contact with liquid may occur, wear an apron and face Shield. Flame-resistant clothing is recommended in areas where material is stored or handled.			
Respiratory protection		Use a positive pressure-supplied air respirator or self-contained breathing apparatus if there is a potential for uncontrolled release, exposure levels are not known, in oxygen-deficient atmospheres, or any other circumstance where an air-purifying respirator may not provide adequate protection.			
Work / Hygi	ene practices	Emergency eye wash capability should be available in near proximity to operations presenting a potential splash exposure.  Use good personal hygiene practices. Avoid repeated and/or prolonged skin exposure.  Wash hands before eating, drinking, smoking, or using toilet facilities.  Promptly remove contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.			

Adequate ventilation.

Use only flameproof electrical equipment approved for use in classified areas.



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**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES** 

Appearance Colourless gas. Cold vapour clouds may be white, but the lack of visible gas

clouds does not indicate the absence of gas. A colourless liquid when

pressurized.

**Odour** Sweet odour. Poor warning properties in low concentrations.

Odour threshold No data available

Melting point/freezing point Butane -138°C; Propane -188°C

Initial boiling point & range Butane -0.5°C; Propane -42.1°C at 101.3 kPa

Flash point < -60 °C Method: ASTM D 92

Evaporation rate High

Flammability (solid, gas) Extremely Flammable

Lower flammability limit 1.8 % Vol

**Upper flammability limit** 9.5 % Vol

Vapour pressure Butane 2.1 bar; Propane 8.1 bar at 25°C

Vapour density Butane 2.1; Propane 1.5 (Air = 1.0)

**Relative density** Butane 0.575; Propane 0.51 at 20°C

**Solubility (H20)** Butane 88mg/ℓ; Propane 75mg/ℓ

Partition coefficient

(Octanol/H2O)

Butane 2.89  $\log$  pow; Propane 2.36  $\log$  pow

**Auto Ignition temperature**Butane 365°C; Propane 470°C

**Decomposition temperature** Heating may cause a fire or explosion. The material does not decompose at

ambient temperatures. Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, and non-combusted

hydrocarbons (smoke) are possible hazardous decomposition products.

No data available

Viscosity

Hydrocarbon liquids without static dissipater additive may have conductivity

**Conductivity** below 1 pico Siemens per meter (pS/m). The highest electro-static ignition risks

are associated with "ultra-low conductivities" below 5pS/m.



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**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY** 

**Reactivity** Vapours may form an explosive mixture with air.

**Chemical Stability** Stable under normal conditions.

**Hazardous reactions** Can react with strong acids and strong oxidizers.

**Conditions to avoid** Keep away from flame, sparks, excessive temperatures, and open flame.

Incompatible materials Can react with strong acids and strong oxidizers

### **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Inhalation May cause central nervous system disorder (e.g. narcosis involving a loss of

coordination, weakness, fatigue, mental confusion, and blurred vision) and/or damage. Simple asphyxiate: Acts by displacing oxygen in the lungs thereby diminishing the supply of oxygen available to the blood and tissues. Symptoms include shortness of breath, rapid heart rate, incoordination, lethargy, headaches, nausea, vomiting, and disorientation. Continued lack of oxygen may result in convulsions, loss of consciousness, and death. Since exercise increases the tissue's need for oxygen, symptoms will occur more quickly during exertion in an oxygen-deficient environment. Oxygen in enclosed spaces should be maintained at 21% by volume. Exposure to high concentrations may

cause cardiac sensitization.

**Ingestion** Considered unlikely.

**Skin and eye contact** Not classified as an irritant. Rapid release of gases which are liquids under

pressure may cause frost burns of exposed tissues (skin, eye) due to

evaporative cooling.

Chronic Toxicity No chronic effects

Mutagenicity No evidence of mutagenic potential

**Carcinogenicity** No evidence of carcinogenic effects

**Toxicity to Reproduction** No evidence of toxicity to reproduction

### **SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Bioaccumulation** Accumulation in aquatic organisms is unlikely.

**Toxicity to fish**Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms

Additional ecological information Liquid release is only expected to cause localized, non-persistent

environmental damage, such as freezing. Biodegradation of this product may occur in soil and water. Volatilization is expected to be the most important removal process in soil and water. This product is expected to exist entirely in

the vapour phase in ambient air.



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## **SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

### Waste treatment methods:

Small amounts may be blown to the atmosphere under controlled conditions. Large amounts should only be handled by the gas supplier. In general, should it become necessary to dispose of the mixture, the best procedure, as for other flammable gases, is to burn them in any suitable burning unit available in the plant. This should be done in accordance with appropriate regulations

Packaging: The disposal of cylinders must only be handled by the gas supplier

### **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

### **UN Pictogram**



### Land and inland navigation transport ADR/RID

UN No. 1075, Shipping Name Flammable mixture-gas, ERG No. 115, Class 2.1, Subsidiary Risk: Flammable Gas 1, Hazchem Warning 2A-Flammable gas.

### Marine transport IMDG

MDG 1075, Shipping Name Flammable mixture - gas, ERG No. 115, Class 2.1, Subsidiary Risk: Flammable Gas 1, Hazchem Warning Flammable gas.

### Air transport ICAO/IATA-DGR

ICAO/IATA Code 1075, Class 2.1, Subsidiary risk Flam gas 1, Packaging instructions: Cargo: 200, Passenger: Forbidden

### Special precautions for user

The protective measures listed in Sections 6, 7, and 8 of the Safety Data Sheet have to be considered.

### **SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

### Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture:

Occupational Health and Safety Act, Hazardous Chemical Agents Regulations

SANS 11014:2010 Edition 1

SANS 10228:2012 Edition 6

SANS 10234:2019 Edition 2

SUPPLEMENT TO SANS 10234 Edition 1

National Road Traffic Act

**Dangerous Goods Regulations** 

## **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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- 6. ECHA
- 7. Occupational Health and Safety Act, Hazardous Chemical Agents Regulations
- 8. SANS 11014:2010 Edition 1
- 9. SANS 10228:2012 Edition 6
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### 13. Dangerous Goods Regulations

### S/R- phrases:

- R12 Extremely Flammable
- R18 In use may form a flammable explosive vapour –air mixture.
- R44 Risk of explosion if heated under confinement.
- S2 Keep out of reach of children
- S3 Keep in a cool place
- S9 Keep the container in well-ventilated place
- S15 Keep away from heat
- S29 Do not empty into drains
- S16 Keep away from sources of ignition
- S33 Keep away from static discharge
- S41 in case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes

### Disclaimer:

This information is based on our current knowledge and is intended to describe the product for the purposes of health, safety, and environmental requirements only. It should not therefore be construed as guaranteeing any specific property of the product.