

# PROPANE SAFETY DATA SHEET



Synonyms: Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), Commercial Propane, HD-5 Propane  
(Meets ASTM 1835 Standards)

## Section 1 - Product and Company Identification

### Manufacturer Information: Various Refineries

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## Section 2 - Hazards Identification

### GHS Classification:

Flammable Gas - Category 1  
Gases Under Pressure - Liquefied Gas  
Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (STOT) - Single Exposure Category 2

### GHS LABEL ELEMENTS

#### Symbol(s)/Pictograms



### Signal Word

Danger

### Hazard Statements

Extremely flammable gas.  
Contains gas under pressure, may explode if heated.  
May cause damage to central nervous and respiratory systems.

### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking  
Do not breathe fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.  
Wash thoroughly after handling.  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

**Response**

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

IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

**Storage**

Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

Store locked up.

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

**Section 3 – Composition/Information on Ingredients**

CAS#	Component	Percent
74-98-6	Propane	>85
Not Available	Mixed hydrocarbons [butane(C4) and higher]	<10
74-84-0	Ethane	<10
115-07-1	Propylene	<10

Aliphatic hydrocarbons separated from natural gas having carbon numbers in the range of C2 through C4, predominantly C3 (propane and propylene). Propane offer for commercial distribution will be odorized with trace amounts of odorant (typically well below 0.1% ethyl mercaptan).

**Section 4 – First Aid Measures**

<b>Eyes</b>	In case of contact with eyes, hold eyelids open to allow liquid to evaporate. Cover eyes to protect from light. Seek immediate medical attention.
<b>Skin</b>	Remove contaminated clothing. In case of blistering, frostbite or freeze burns seek immediate medical attention.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Risk of ingestion is extremely low. However, if oral exposure occurs, seek immediate medical assistance.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, provide artificial respiration. If necessary, provide additional oxygen once breathing is restored if trained to do so. Seek medical attention immediately.

## Section 5 – Fire Fighting Measures

### General Fire Hazards

See Section 9 for Flammability Properties.

Liquid releases flammable vapors at well below ambient temperatures and readily forms a flammable mixture with air. Dangerous fire and explosion hazard when exposed to heat, sparks or flame. Vapors are heavier than air and may travel long distances to a point of ignition and flash back.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and non-combusted hydrocarbons (smoke).

### Extinguishing Media

Use extinguishing media suitable for the surrounding material, preferably or, any extinguisher suitable for Class B fires, dry chemical, fire-fighting foam, CO<sub>2</sub>, and other gaseous agents. However, fire should not be extinguished unless flow of gas can be immediately stopped.

### Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

None

### Fire Fighting Equipment/Instructions

Gas fires should not be extinguished unless flow of gas can be immediately stopped. Shut off gas source and allow gas to burn out. If spill or leak has not ignited, determine if water spray may assist in dispersing gas or vapor to protect personnel attempting to stop leak. Use water to cool equipment, surfaces and containers exposed to fire and excessive heat. For large fire the use of unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles may be advantageous to further minimize personnel exposure. Isolate area, particularly around ends of storage vessels. Let vessel, tank car or container burn unless leak can be stopped. Withdraw immediately in the event of a rising sound from a venting safety device. Large fires typically require specially trained personnel and equipment to isolate and extinguish the fire.

Firefighting activities that may result in potential exposure to high heat, smoke or toxic by-products of combustion should require NIOSH- approved pressure-demand self-contained breathing apparatus with full face piece and full protective clothing.

## Section 6 – Accidental Release Measures

### Recovery and Neutralization

Stop the source of the release, if safe to do so.

### Materials and Methods for Clean-Up

Do not flush down sewer or drainage systems. Do not touch spilled liquid (frostbite/freeze burn hazard!). Consider the use of water spray to disperse vapors. Isolate the area until gas has dispersed. Ventilate and gas test area before entering.

### Emergency Measures

Evacuate nonessential personnel and secure all ignition sources. No road flares, smoking or flames in hazard area. Consider wind direction, stay upwind and uphill, if possible. Evaluate the direction of product travel. Vapor cloud may be white, but color will dissipate as cloud disperses - fire and explosion hazard is still present!

### Personal Precautions and Protective Equipment

Do not touch spilled liquid (frostbite/freeze burn hazard!).

### Environmental Precautions

Do not flush down sewer or drainage systems.

### Prevention of Secondary Hazards

None

## Section 7 – Handling and Storage

### Handling Procedures

Keep away from flame, sparks and excessive temperatures. Bond and ground containers. Use only in well ventilated areas.

### Storage Procedures

Store only in approved containers. Bond and ground containers. Keep away from flame, sparks, excessive temperatures and open flame. Keep containers closed and clearly labeled. Empty product containers or vessels may contain explosive vapors. Do not pressurize, cut, heat, weld or expose such containers to sources of ignition.

### Incompatibilities

Keep away from strong oxidizers, ignition sources and heat. Explosion hazard when exposed to chlorine dioxide. Heating barium peroxide with propane causes violent exothermic reaction. Heated chlorine-propane mixtures are explosive under some conditions.

## Section 8 – Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### Component Exposure Limits

	ACGIH:	OSHA:	NIOSH:
<b>Propane (74-98-6)</b>	1000 ppm TWA (listed under Aliphatic hydrocarbon gases: Alkane C1-4)	1000 ppm TWA; 1800 mg/m3 TWA	1000 ppm TWA; 1800 mg/m3 TWA
<b>Ethane (74-84-0)</b>	1000 ppm TWA (listed under Aliphatic hydrocarbon gases: Alkane C1-4)		
<b>Propylene (115-07-1)</b>	500 ppm TWA		

### Engineering Measures

Use adequate ventilation to keep gas and vapor concentrations of this product below occupational exposure and flammability limits, particularly in confined spaces. Use explosion-proof equipment and lighting in classified/controlled areas.

### Personal Protective Equipment: Respiratory

Use a NIOSH approved positive-pressure, supplied air respirator with escape bottle or self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for gas concentrations above occupational exposure limits, for potential for uncontrolled release, if exposure levels are not known, or in an oxygen-deficient atmosphere. CAUTION: Flammability limits (i.e., explosion hazard) should be considered when assessing the need to expose personnel to concentrations requiring respiratory protection.

### Personal Protective Equipment: Hands

Use cold-impervious, insulating gloves where contact with liquid may occur.

### Personal Protective Equipment: Eyes

Where there is a possibility of liquid contact, wear splash-proof safety goggles and face shield.

### Personal Protective Equipment: Skin and Body

Where contact with liquid may occur, wear apron and face shield.

## Section 9 – Physical and Chemical Properties

<b>Appearance:</b>	Colorless	<b>Odor:</b>	Odorless
<b>Physical State:</b>	Gas	<b>pH:</b>	ND
<b>Vapor Pressure:</b>	109.73 psig @ 70 °F (21.1 °C)	<b>Vapor Density:</b>	1.56 @ 32°F (0°C)
<b>Boiling Point:</b>	-43.8°F (-42.1°C)	<b>Melting Point:</b>	ND
<b>Solubility (H2O):</b>	slight (62.4 ppm) @ 77 °F (25 °C)	<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	0.531 @ 32 °F (0 °C)
<b>Evaporation Rate:</b>	ND	<b>VOC:</b>	ND
<b>Octanol/H2O Coeff.:</b>	ND	<b>Flash Point:</b>	-156°F (-104 °C)
<b>Flash Point Method:</b>	PMCC	<b>Upper Flammability Limit (UFL):</b>	9.5
<b>Lower Flammability Limit (LFL):</b>	2.1	<b>Burning Rate:</b>	ND
<b>Auto Ignition:</b>	842°F (450°C)		

## Section 10 – Chemical Stability & Reactivity Information

### Chemical Stability

This is a stable material.

### Hazardous Reaction Potential

Will not occur.

**Conditions to Avoid**

Keep away from strong oxidizers, ignition sources and heat.

**Incompatible Products**

Explosion hazard when exposed to chlorine dioxide. Heating barium peroxide with propane causes violent exothermic reaction. Heated chlorine-propane mixtures are explosive under some conditions.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and non-combusted hydrocarbons (smoke).

**Section 11 – Toxicological Information****Acute Toxicity****A: General Product Information**

Propane exhibits some degree of anesthetic action and is mildly irritating to the mucous membranes. At high concentrations propane acts as a simple asphyxiant without other significant physiological effects. High concentrations may cause death due to oxygen depletion.

**B: Component Analysis - LD50/LC50**

Propane (74-98-6)

Inhalation LC50 Rat 658 mg/L 4 h

Ethane (74-84-0)

Inhalation LC50 Rat 658 mg/L 4 h

Propylene (115-07-1)

Inhalation LC50 Rat 658 mg/L 4 h

**Potential Health Effects: Skin Corrosion Property/Stimulativeness**

Vapors are not irritating. Direct contact to skin or mucous membranes with liquefied product or cold vapor may cause freeze burns and frostbite. Contact to mucous membranes with liquefied product may cause frostbite and freeze burns. Signs of frostbite include a change in the color of the skin to gray or white, possibly followed by blistering. Skin may become inflamed and painful.

**Potential Health Effects: Eye Critical Damage/ Stimulativeness**

Vapors are not irritating. However, contact with liquid or cold vapor may cause frostbite, freeze burns, and permanent eye damage.

**Potential Health Effects: Ingestion**

Ingestion is unlikely. Contact with mucous membranes with liquefied product may cause frostbite and freeze burns.

**Potential Health Effects: Inhalation**

This product is considered to be non-toxic by inhalation. Inhalation of high concentrations may cause central nervous system depression such as dizziness, drowsiness, headache, and similar narcotic symptoms, but no long-term effects. Numbness, a "chilly" feeling, and vomiting have been reported from accidental exposures to high concentrations. This product is a simple asphyxiant. In high concentrations it will displace oxygen from the breathing atmosphere, particularly in confined spaces. Signs of asphyxiation will be noticed when oxygen is reduced to below 16%, and may occur in several stages. Symptoms may include rapid breathing and pulse rate, headache, dizziness, visual disturbances, mental confusion, incoordination, mood changes, muscular weakness, tremors, cyanosis, narcosis and numbness of the extremities. Unconsciousness leading to central nervous system injury and possibly death will occur when the atmospheric oxygen concentration is reduced to about 6% to 8% or less.

**WARNING:** The burning of any hydrocarbon as a fuel in an area without adequate ventilation may result in hazardous levels of combustion products, including carbon monoxide, and inadequate oxygen levels, which may cause unconsciousness, suffocation, and death.

**Respiratory Organs Sensitization/Skin Sensitization**

This product is not reported to have any skin sensitization effects.

**Generative Cell Mutagenicity**

This product is not reported to have any mutagenic effects.

**Carcinogenicity****A: General Product Information**

This product is not reported to have any carcinogenic effects.

**B: Component Carcinogenicity**

Propylene (115-07-1)

ACGIH: A4 - Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen

IARC: Monograph 60 [1994]; Supplement 7 [1987] (Group 3 (not classifiable))

**Reproductive Toxicity**

This product is not reported to have any reproductive toxicity effects.

**Specified Target Organ General Toxicity: Single Exposure**

This product may cause damage to heart.

**Specified Target Organ General Toxicity: Repeated Exposure**

This product is not reported to have any specific target organ repeat effects.

### **Aspiration Respiratory Organs Hazard**

This product is not reported to have any aspiration hazard effects.

## **Section 12 – Ecological Information**

### **Ecotoxicity**

#### **A: General Product 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 vapor phase in ambient air.

#### **B: Component Analysis - Ecotoxicity - Aquatic Toxicity**

No ecotoxicity data are available for this product's components.

### **Persistence/Degradability**

No information available.

### **Bioaccumulation**

No information available.

### **Mobility in Soil**

No information available.

## **Section 13 – Disposal Considerations**

### **Waste Disposal Instructions**

See Section 7 for Handling Procedures. See Section 8 for Personal Protective Equipment recommendations.

### **Disposal of Contaminated Containers or Packaging**

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

## **Section 14 – Transportation Information**

### **DOT Information**

Shipping Name: Petroleum Gases, Liquefied  
UN #: 1075 Hazard Class: 2.1





## Section 15 – Regulatory Information

### Regulatory Information

#### Component Analysis

This material contains one or more of the following chemicals required to be identified under SARA Section 302 (40 CFR 355 Appendix A), SARA Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65) and/or CERCLA (40 CFR 302.4). Propylene (115-07-1) SARA 313: 1.0 % de minimis concentration

#### SARA Section 311/312 – Hazard Classes

Acute Health	Chronic Health	Fire	Sudden Release of Pressure	Reactive
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#### SARA SECTION 313 - SUPPLIER NOTIFICATION

This product contains the following toxic chemicals subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA) of 1986 and of 40 CFR 372:

INGREDIENT NAME (CAS NUMBER)	CONCENTRATION PERCENT BY VOLUME
Propylene (115-07-1)	30 max

### Additional Regulatory Information

#### Component Analysis - Inventory

Component	CAS	TSCA	CAN	EEC
Propane	74-98-6	Yes	DSL	EINECS
Ethane	74-84-0	Yes	DSL	EINECS
Propylene	115-07-1	Yes	DSL	EINECS

## Section 16 – Other Information

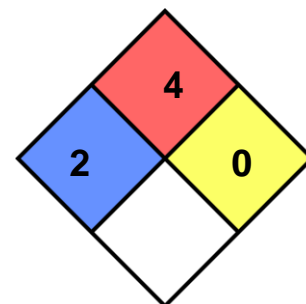
**NFPA® Hazard Rating**

Health	2
Fire	4
Reactivity	0

**HMIS® Hazard Rating**

Health	2	Moderate
Fire	4	Severe
Physical	0	Minimal

\*Chronic



## Other Information

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