

# Safety Data Sheet

Material Name: METHANE

SDS ID: 00233336

## \*\*\* Section 1 - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION \*\*\*

### Material Name: METHANE

#### Manufacturer Information

ADVANCED GAS TECHNOLOGIES  
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General Information: 1-800-416-2505  
Emergency #: 1-800-424-9300 (CHEMTREC)  
Outside the US: 703-527-3887 (Call collect)

#### Chemical Family

hydrocarbons, gas

#### Synonyms

Mtg msds 58; Fire damp; Marsh gas; Methyl hydride; Natural gas; Methane; UN 1971; R50; CH4; RTECS: PA1490000

## \*\*\* Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION \*\*\*

#### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

**Color:** colorless

**Physical Form:** gas

**Odor:** odorless

**Health Hazards:** difficulty breathing

**Physical Hazards:** Flammable gas. May cause flash fire. Electrostatic charges may be generated by flow, agitation, etc.

#### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

##### Inhalation

**Short Term:** nausea, vomiting, difficulty breathing, irregular heartbeat, headache, drowsiness, fatigue, dizziness, disorientation, mood swings, tingling sensation, loss of coordination, suffocation, convulsions, unconsciousness, coma

**Long Term:** no information is available

##### Skin

**Short Term:** no information on significant adverse effects

**Long Term:** no information is available

##### Eye

**Short Term:** no information on significant adverse effects

**Long Term:** no information is available

##### Ingestion

**Short Term:** ingestion of a gas is unlikely

**Long Term:** no information is available

## \*\*\* Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS \*\*\*

CAS	Component	Percent
74-82-8	Methane	100.0

#### Component Related Regulatory Information

This product may be regulated, have exposure limits or other information identified as the following: Aliphatic hydrocarbon gases (Alkane [C1-C4]).

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## \*\*\* Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES \*\*\*

### Inhalation

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.

### Skin

Wash exposed skin with soap and water.

### Eyes

Flush eyes with plenty of water.

### Ingestion

If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.

### Note to Physicians

For inhalation, consider oxygen.

## \*\*\* Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES \*\*\*

See Section 9 for Flammability Properties

**NFPA Ratings: Health: 1 Fire: 4 Reactivity: 0**

Hazard Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe

### Flammable Properties

Severe fire hazard. Severe explosion hazard. Pressurized containers may rupture or explode if exposed to sufficient heat. Vapor/air mixtures are explosive above flash point. Electrostatic discharges may be generated by flow or agitation resulting in ignition or explosion.

### Extinguishing Media

carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical

Large fires: Use regular foam or flood with fine water spray.

### Fire Fighting Measures

Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk. For fires in cargo or storage area: Cool containers with water from unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles until well after fire is out. If this is impossible then take the following precautions: Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Let the fire burn.

Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety device or any discoloration of tanks due to fire.

For tank, rail car or tank truck: Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Let burn unless leak can be stopped immediately. For smaller tanks or cylinders, extinguish and isolate from other flammables. Evacuation radius: 800 meters (1/2 mile). Stop flow of gas.

## \*\*\* Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES \*\*\*

### Occupational spill/release

Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Reduce vapors with water spray. Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Remove sources of ignition. Ventilate closed spaces before entering.

## \*\*\* Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE \*\*\*

### Storage Procedures

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.

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## \*\*\* Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION \*\*\*

### Component Analysis

Methane (74-82-8)

ACGIH: 1000 ppm TWA

### Component Biological Limit Values

There are no biological limit values for any of this product's components.

### Ventilation

Ventilation equipment should be explosion-resistant if explosive concentrations of material are present. Provide local exhaust ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

### Eyes/Face

Eye protection not required, but recommended.

### Protective Clothing

Protective clothing is not required.

### Glove Recommendations

Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

### Respiratory Protection

Under conditions of frequent use or heavy exposure, respiratory protection may be needed.

Respiratory protection is ranked in order from minimum to maximum.

Consider warning properties before use.

#### For Unknown Concentrations or Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health -

Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with an auxiliary self-contained breathing apparatus operated in pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

## \*\*\* Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES \*\*\*

<b>Physical State:</b>	Gas	<b>Appearance:</b>	Not available
<b>Color:</b>	colorless	<b>Physical Form:</b>	gas
<b>Odor:</b>	odorless	<b>Odor Threshold:</b>	Not available
<b>Taste:</b>	tasteless	<b>Melting/Freezing Point:</b>	-183 °C
<b>Boiling Point:</b>	-162 °C	<b>Flash Point:</b>	-223 °C
<b>LEL:</b>	5.0 %	<b>UEL:</b>	15 %
<b>Vapor Pressure:</b>	760 mmHg @ -161 °C	<b>Henry's Law Constant:</b>	0.00045830 atm-m <sup>3</sup> /mol
<b>Vapor Density (air = 1):</b>	0.555	<b>Density:</b>	0.717 g/L @ 0 °C
<b>Water Solubility:</b>	3.5 % @ 17 °C	<b>KOW:</b>	724.44 (estimated from water solubility)
<b>KOC:</b>	2192.80 (estimated from water solubility)	<b>Auto Ignition:</b>	537 °C
<b>Viscosity:</b>	0.01118 cP @ 27 °C	<b>Molecular Weight:</b>	16.04
<b>Molecular Formula:</b>	C-H <sub>4</sub>		

### Solvent Solubility

**Soluble:** alcohol, ether, benzene, organic solvents

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## \*\*\* Section 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY \*\*\*

### Chemical Stability

Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.

### Conditions to Avoid

Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Containers may rupture or explode if exposed to heat.

### Materials to Avoid

halogens, oxidizing materials, combustible materials

### Decomposition Products

oxides of carbon

### Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Will not polymerize.

## \*\*\* Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION \*\*\*

### Component Analysis - LD50/LC50

The components of this material have been reviewed in various sources and the following selected endpoints are published:

#### Methane (74-82-8)

Inhalation LC50 Mouse 326 g/m<sup>3</sup> 2 h

### Acute Toxicity Level

#### Methane (74-82-8)

Slightly Toxic: inhalation.

### Component Carcinogenicity

None of this product's components are listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, OSHA or DFG.

## \*\*\* Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION \*\*\*

### Component Analysis - Aquatic Toxicity

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

## \*\*\* Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS \*\*\*

### Disposal Methods

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001.

### Component Waste Numbers

The U.S. EPA has not published waste numbers for this product's components.

## \*\*\* Section 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION \*\*\*

### US DOT Information

Shipping Name: Methane, compressed

UN/NA #: UN1971 Hazard Class: 2.1

Required Label(s): 2.1

### TDG Information

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## \*\*\* Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION \*\*\*

### U.S. Federal Regulations

None of this products components are listed under SARA Sections 302/304 (40 CFR 355 Appendix A), SARA Section 311/312 (40 CFR 370.21), SARA Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65), CERCLA (40 CFR 302.4), TSCA 12(b), or require an OSHA process safety plan.

### SARA 311/312

Acute Health: Yes Chronic Health: No Fire: Yes Pressure: Yes Reactive: No

### U.S. State Regulations

The following components appear on one or more of the following state hazardous substances lists:

Component	CAS	CA	MA	MN	NJ	PA	RI
Methane	74-82-8	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Not regulated under California Proposition 65

### Component Analysis - Inventory

Component	CAS	US	CA	EU	AU	PH	JP	KR	CN	NZ
Methane	74-82-8	Yes	DSL	EIN	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

## \*\*\* Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION \*\*\*

### Key / Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists; ADR - European Road Transport; AU - Australia; BOD - Biochemical Oxygen Demand; C - Celsius; CA - Canada; CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service; CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; CN - China; CPR - Controlled Products Regulations; DFG - Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft; DOT - Department of Transportation; DSL - Domestic Substances List; EEC - European Economic Community; EINECS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances; EPA - Environmental Protection Agency; EU - European Union; F - Fahrenheit; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IDL - Ingredient Disclosure List; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; JP - Japan; Kow - Octanol/water partition coefficient; KR - Korea; LEL - Lower Explosive Limit; LOLI - List Of Lists™ - ChemADVISOR's Regulatory Database; MAK - Maximum Concentration Value in the Workplace; MEL - Maximum Exposure Limits; NFPA - National Fire Protection Agency; NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health; NJTSR - New Jersey Trade Secret Registry; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZ - New Zealand; OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration; PH - Philippines; RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; RID - European Rail Transport; RTECS - Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances®; SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; STEL - Short-term Exposure Limit; TDG - Transportation of Dangerous Goods; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act; TWA - Time Weighted Average; UEL - Upper Explosive Limit; US - United States

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