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Safety Data Sheet

Material Name: N-BUTANE

SDS ID: MAT15370

Section 1 - IDENTIFICATION

Manufacturer Information

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

Product Identifier: N-BUTANE

Trade Names/Synonyms

MTG MSDS 11; BUTANE; LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM GAS; NORMAL BUTANE; BUTYL HYDRIDE; LPG; UN 1011; C4H10

Chemical Family

hydrocarbons, aliphatic

Product Use

industrial

Restrictions on Use

None known.

Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS Classification

Flammable gas, Category 1
Gas under pressure, Liquefied gas
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure, Category 3 (central nervous system)

GHS LABEL ELEMENTS

Symbol(s)



Signal Word

DANGER

Hazard Statement(s)

Extremely flammable gas
Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated
May cause drowsiness and dizziness

Precautionary Statement(s)

Prevention

Keep away from heat, sparks, open flame, and hot surfaces - No smoking. Avoid breathing gas. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

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Response

Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely. Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so. IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Protect from sunlight. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up.

Disposal

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Other Hazards which do not Result in Classification

May cause frostbite upon sudden release of liquefied gas. May cause asphyxia.

Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

CAS#	Component	Percent
106-97-8	N-BUTANE	100

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]).

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

If frostbite or freezing occur, immediately flush with plenty of lukewarm water (105-115 F; 41-46 C). DO NOT USE HOT WATER. If warm water is not available, gently wrap affected parts in blankets. Get immediate medical attention.

Eyes

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.

Ingestion

If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.

Note to Physicians

For inhalation, consider oxygen.

Symptoms: Immediate

suffocation, frostbite, central nervous system effects

Symptoms: Delayed

No information on significant adverse effects.

Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

See Section 9 for Flammability Properties

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Severe explosion hazard. Severe fire hazard. Vapor/air mixtures are explosive. The vapor is heavier than air. Vapors or gases may ignite at distant ignition sources and flash back.

Extinguishing Media

carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical

Large fires: water spray or fog

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

None known.

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Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

Wear full protective fire fighting gear including self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for protection against possible exposure.

Fire Fighting Measures

Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk. Cool containers with water spray until well after the fire is out. Stay away from the ends of tanks. 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.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Combustion: oxides of carbon

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions

Wear personal protective clothing and equipment, see Section 8.

Environmental Precautions

Avoid release to the environment.

Methods for Containment

Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely. Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Do not touch spilled material. Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Reduce vapors with water spray.

Cleanup Methods

Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Remove sources of ignition. Ventilate closed spaces before entering.

Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling Procedures

Wash thoroughly after handling.

Storage Procedures

Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Store in a well-ventilated place. Protect from sunlight. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up. Grounding and bonding required. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.110. U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.101. Keep separated from incompatible substances.

Incompatibilities oxidizing materials

Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Component Exposure Limits

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ACGIH: 1000 ppm STEL

OSHA (Vacated): 800 ppm TWA; 1900 mg/m3 TWA

NIOSH: 800 ppm TWA; 1900 mg/m3 TWA

Component Biological Limit Values

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

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Engineering Controls

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

For the gas: Eye protection not required, but recommended. For the liquid: Wear splash resistant safety goggles. Contact lenses should not be worn. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.

Protective Clothing

For the gas: Protective clothing is not required. For the liquid: Wear appropriate protective, cold insulating clothing.

Glove Recommendations

Wear insulated gloves.

Respiratory Protection

The following respirators and maximum use concentrations are drawn from NIOSH and/or OSHA.
2000 ppm

Any supplied-air respirator.

Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.

Emergency or planned entry into unknown concentrations or IDLH conditions -

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

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.

Escape -

Any appropriate escape-type, self-contained breathing apparatus.

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

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Physical State:	Gas	Appearance:	colorless, gas
Color:	colorless	Physical Form:	gas
Odor:	unpleasant odor	Odor Threshold:	6.16 ppm
pH:	Not available	Melting/Freezing Point:	-138 °C
Boiling Point:	-1 °C	Flash Point:	-60 °C CC
Decomposition:	Not available	Evaporation Rate:	Not available
LEL:	1.9 %	UEL:	8.5 %
Vapor Pressure:	1557 mmHg @ 20 °C	Henry's Law Constant:	0.00079380 atm-m ³ /mol
Vapor Density (air = 1):	2.1	Specific Gravity (water=1):	0.5788 @ 0 °C
Water Solubility:	15 %	Log KOW:	2.89
KOC:	900 (estimate)	Auto Ignition:	287 °C
Viscosity:	Not available	Molecular Weight:	58.12
Molecular Formula:	C-H ₃ -(C-H ₂) ₂ -C-H ₃		

Solvent Solubility

Soluble: alcohol, ether, chloroform

Section 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity

No reactivity hazard is expected.

Chemical Stability

Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.

Conditions to Avoid

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

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Will not polymerize.

Incompatible Materials

oxidizing materials

Hazardous Decomposition

Combustion: oxides of carbon

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute and Chronic Toxicity

Component Analysis - LD₅₀/LC₅₀

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

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Inhalation LC₅₀ Rat 658 g/m³ 4 h

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RTECS Acute Toxicity (selected)

The components of this material have been reviewed, and RTECS publishes the following endpoints:

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Inhalation: 680000 mg/m3/2 hour Inhalation Mouse LC50
658000 mg/m3/4 hour Inhalation Rat LC50

Acute Toxicity Level

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Non Toxic: inhalation

Immediate Effects

suffocation, frostbite, central nervous system effects

Delayed Effects

No information on significant adverse effects.

Irritation/Corrosivity Data

No animal testing data available for skin or eyes.

RTECS Irritation

The components of this material have been reviewed and RTECS publishes no data as of the date on this document.

Target Organs

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central nervous system

Respiratory Sensitizer

No data available.

Dermal Sensitizer

No data available.

Carcinogenicity

Component Carcinogenicity

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

RTECS Mutagenic

The components of this material have been reviewed, and RTECS publishes data for one or more components.

Reproductive Effects Data

No data available.

RTECS Tumorigenic

The components of this material have been reviewed, and RTECS publishes data for one or more components.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure

central nervous system

Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure

No data available.

Aspiration Hazard

Not applicable.

Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure

None known.

Additional Data

Stimulants such as epinephrine may induce ventricular fibrillation.

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Component Analysis - Aquatic Toxicity

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

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Persistence and Degradability

No data available.

Bioaccumulative Potential

Bioconcentration potential in aquatic organisms is moderate based on a BCF value of 33.

Mobility in Environmental Media

Expected to have low mobility in soil.

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: Butane

UN/NA #: UN1011 Hazard Class: 2.1

Required Label(s): 2.1

IMDG Information

Shipping Name: Butane

UN #: UN1011 Hazard Class: 2.1

Required Label(s): 2.1

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

Component Analysis

U.S. Federal Regulations

None of this products components are listed under SARA Sections 302/304 (40 CFR 355 Appendix A), 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 Hazardous Categories

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
N-BUTANE	106-97-8	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Not regulated under California Proposition 65

Component Analysis - Inventory

Listed on inventory.

Component Analysis - Inventory

Component	CAS	US	CA	EU	AU	PH	JP	KR	CN	NZ
N-BUTANE	106-97-8	Yes	DSL	EIN	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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

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

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; IDLH - Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health; 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

Other Information

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