

1. Identification

Product identifier R-134a Refrigerant

Other means of identification
FIR No. 045167

Recommended use Refrigerant for use in automotive A/C systems

Recommended restrictions None known.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Company Name Ford Motor Company

Address Attention: SDS Information, P.O. Box 1899
 Dearborn, Michigan 48121
 USA

Telephone 1-800-392-3673

SDS Information 1-800-448-2063 (USA and Canada)
 fordsds.com

Emergency telephone numbers

Poison Control Center: USA and Canada: 1-800-959-3673
 INFOTRAC (Transportation): USA and Canada 1-800-535-5053

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards Gases under pressure Liquefied gas

Health hazards Not classified.

Environmental hazards Not classified.

OSHA defined hazards Simple asphyxiant

Label elements



Signal word Warning

Hazard statement Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated. May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.

Precautionary statement

- Prevention** Use only with adequate ventilation. Do not enter storage areas or confined spaces unless adequately ventilated.
- Response** Wash hands after handling.
- Storage** Keep container tightly closed. Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.
- Disposal** Dispose of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements.

Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC) Contact with liquefied gas might cause frostbites, in some cases with tissue damage.

Supplemental information None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Mixtures

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
Norflurane		811-97-2	100

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation	Remove from further exposure. For those providing assistance, avoid exposure to yourself or others. Use adequate respiratory protection. If respiratory tract irritation, dizziness, nausea, or unconsciousness occurs, seek immediate medical assistance. If breathing has stopped, assist ventilation with a mechanical device or use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Move to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately.
Skin contact	In case of contact with liquefied gas, thaw frosted parts with lukewarm water. Do not rub affected area. Get medical attention immediately.
Eye contact	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.
Ingestion	Not likely, due to the form of the product.
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed	Headache. Dizziness. Fatigue. Nausea, vomiting. Very high exposure can cause suffocation from lack of oxygen. Symptoms may include loss of mobility/consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation. Asphyxiation may bring about unconsciousness without warning and so rapidly that victim may be unable to protect himself.
Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed	Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.
General information	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	None known.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed. Hydrogen fluoride, a corrosive and toxic gas, and other potentially hazardous fluorine-containing compounds may be released upon combustion.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.
Fire fighting equipment/instructions	In case of fire: Stop leak if safe to do so. Do not move cargo or vehicle if cargo has been exposed to heat. If tank, rail car or tank truck is involved in a fire, ISOLATE for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions; also consider initial evacuation for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions. ALWAYS stay away from tanks engulfed in flame. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Use water spray to cool unopened containers. For massive fire in cargo area, use unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles, if possible. If not, withdraw and let fire burn out.
Specific methods	Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out.
General fire hazards	Contents under pressure. Pressurized container may explode when exposed to heat or flame.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Do not breathe mist or vapor. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. In the event of a leak evacuate all personnel until ventilation can restore oxygen concentrations to safe levels. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep out of low areas. Many gases are heavier than air and will spread along ground and collect in low or confined areas (sewers, basements, tanks). Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Emergency personnel need self-contained breathing equipment. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	Isolate area until gas has dispersed. The product is immiscible with water and will sediment in water systems. Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.
Environmental precautions	Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling	Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid breathing mist or vapor. Avoid prolonged exposure. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking. When moving cylinders, even for short distances, use a cart (trolley, hand truck, etc.) designed to transport cylinders. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. Close valve after each use and when empty. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Do not enter storage areas or confined spaces unless adequately ventilated. Oxygen concentration should not fall below 19.5 % at sea level (pO ₂ = 135 mmHg). Mechanical ventilation or local exhaust ventilation may be required. Observe good industrial hygiene practices. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. For personal protection, see Section 8 of the SDS.
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Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight. Secure cylinders in an upright position at all times, close all valves when not in use. Store in tightly closed container. Store in a well-ventilated place. Stored containers should be periodically checked for general condition and leakage. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

8. Exposure controls/personal protection**Occupational exposure limits**

The following constituents are the only constituents of the product which have a PEL, TLV or other recommended exposure limit. At this time, the other constituents have no known exposure limits.

US. Workplace Environmental Exposure Level (WEEL) Guides

Components	Type	Value
Norflurane (CAS 811-97-2)	TWA	4240 mg/m ³ 1000 ppm

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Appropriate engineering controls

Use adequate ventilation to control airborne concentrations below the exposure limits/guidelines. If user operations generate a vapor, dust and/or mist, use process enclosure, appropriate local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to control airborne levels below the recommended exposure limits/guidelines.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**Eye/face protection**

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

Skin protection**Hand protection**

Suitable chemical protective gloves should be worn when the potential exists for skin exposure. The choice of an appropriate glove does not only depend on its material but also on other quality features and is different from one producer to the other. Wear cold insulating gloves.

Other

Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing if applicable.

Respiratory protection

If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations to a level which is adequate to protect worker health, an approved respirator must be worn. Respirator selection, use and maintenance should be in accordance with the requirements of OSHA Respiratory Protection Standard 29 CFR 1910.134 and/or Canadian Standard CSA Z94.4.

Thermal hazards

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

General hygiene considerations

Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

9. Physical and chemical properties**Appearance****Physical state**

Gas.

Form

Liquefied gas.

Color

Clear.

Odor

Odorless.

Odor threshold

Not available.

pH

Not available.

Melting point/freezing point

Not available.

Initial boiling point and boiling range

-15.88 °F (-26.6 °C)

Flash point

Does not flash.

Evaporation rate

Not available.

Flammability (solid, gas)

Not available.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits**Flammability limit - lower (%)**

Not available.

Flammability limit - upper (%)

Not available.

Explosive limit - lower (%)

Not available.

Explosive limit - upper (%)

Not available.

Vapor pressure	4270 mm Hg @ 20°C
Vapor density	3.6 (Air=1)
Relative density	1.22
Relative density temperature	68 °F (20 °C)
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	Low
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	1.06
Auto-ignition temperature	> 1369.4 °F (> 743 °C)
Decomposition temperature	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
Chemical stability	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Conditions to avoid	Heat. Avoid temperatures exceeding the decomposition temperature. Contact with incompatible materials.
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidizing agents.
Hazardous decomposition products	Hydrogen fluoride, a corrosive and toxic gas, and other potentially hazardous fluorine-containing compounds may be released upon combustion.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	Suffocation (asphyxiant) hazard - if allowed to accumulate to concentrations that reduce oxygen below safe breathing levels. Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.
Skin contact	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met. Contact with liquefied gas might cause frostbites, in some cases with tissue damage.
Eye contact	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met. Contact with liquefied gas might cause frostbites, in some cases with tissue damage.
Ingestion	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics	Headache. Dizziness. Fatigue. Nausea, vomiting. Very high exposure can cause suffocation from lack of oxygen. Symptoms may include loss of mobility/consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation. Asphyxiation may bring about unconsciousness without warning and so rapidly that victim may be unable to protect themselves.
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Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity	Not classified.
Skin corrosion/irritation	Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.
Respiratory or skin sensitization	
Respiratory sensitization	Not a respiratory sensitizer.
Skin sensitization	This product is not expected to cause skin sensitization.
Germ cell mutagenicity	No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.
Carcinogenicity	Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.
IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity	Not listed.
OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)	Not listed.
Reproductive toxicity	This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure	Not classified.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure	Not classified.
Aspiration hazard	Not likely, due to the form of the product.
Chronic effects	Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity	The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.
Persistence and degradability	No data is available on the degradability of any ingredients in the mixture.
Bioaccumulative potential	
Partition coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow)	
R-134a Refrigerant	1.06
Norflurane	1.274
Mobility in soil	No data available.
Other adverse effects	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions	Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
Local disposal regulations	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.
Hazardous waste code	The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.
Waste from residues / unused products	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).
Contaminated packaging	Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN number	UN3159
UN proper shipping name	1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane or Refrigerant gas R 134a
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class	2.2
Subsidiary risk	-
Label(s)	2.2
Packing group	Not available.
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.
Special provisions	T50
Packaging exceptions	306
Packaging non bulk	304
Packaging bulk	314, 315

IATA

UN number	UN3159
UN proper shipping name	1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class	2.2
Subsidiary risk	-
Packing group	Not available.
Environmental hazards	No.
ERG Code	2L
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.
Other information	
Passenger and cargo aircraft	Allowed with restrictions.
Cargo aircraft only	Allowed with restrictions.

IMDG

UN number	UN3159
UN proper shipping name	1,1,1,2-TETRAFLUOROETHANE (REFRIGERANT GAS R 134a)
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class	2.2
Subsidiary risk	-
Packing group	Not available.
Environmental hazards	
Marine pollutant	No.
EmS	F-C, S-V
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.

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IATA; IMDG



General information

Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's compartment. Ensure vehicle driver is aware of the potential hazards of the load and knows what to do in the event of an accident or an emergency. Before transporting product containers: Ensure that containers are firmly secured. Ensure cylinder valve is closed and not leaking. Ensure valve outlet cap nut or plug (where provided) is correctly fitted. Ensure valve protection device (where provided) is correctly fitted. Ensure adequate ventilation. Ensure compliance with applicable regulations.

15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

Not listed.

SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Not regulated.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical Yes
Classified hazard categories Gas under pressure
Simple asphyxiant
SARA 313 (TRI reporting)
Not regulated.

Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List
Not regulated.
Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)
Not regulated.
Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Not regulated.

US state regulations

California Proposition 65
California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

International Inventories

All components are listed or are exempt from listing on the Toxic Substances Control Act Inventory.

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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HMIS® ratings Health: 1
Flammability: 0
Physical hazard: 0
NFPA ratings Health: 2
Flammability: 0
Instability: 0

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