

# Gas Mixture (Argon Balance, Carbon Dioxide <10%, Nitrogen 0.1ppm - 5%)

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### SECTION 1: Product and company identification

#### 1.1. Product identifier

Product form : Mixture  
Other means of identification : Stargon SS

#### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Use of the substance/mixture : Electric Arc Welding  
Industrial use

#### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Praxair, Inc.  
39 Old Ridgebury Road  
Danbury, CT 06810-5113 - USA  
T 1-800-772-9247 (1-800-PRAXAIR) - F 1-716-879-2146  
[www.praxair.com](http://www.praxair.com)

#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : Onsite Emergency: 1-800-645-4633

CHEMTREC, 24hr/day 7days/week  
— Within USA: 1-800-424-9300, Outside USA: 001-703-527-3887  
(collect calls accepted, Contract 17729)

### SECTION 2: Hazard identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS-US classification  
Compressed gas H280

#### 2.2. Label elements

GHS-US labeling  
Hazard pictograms (GHS-US)



GHS04

Signal word (GHS-US) : WARNING

Hazard statements (GHS-US) : H280 - CONTAINS GAS UNDER PRESSURE; MAY EXPLODE IF HEATED  
OSHA-H01 - MAY DISPLACE OXYGEN AND CAUSE RAPID SUFFOCATION.  
CGA-HG01 - MAY CAUSE FROSTBITE.  
CGA-HG03 - MAY INCREASE RESPIRATION AND HEART RATE.

Precautionary statements (GHS-US) : P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
P261 - Avoid breathing gas, vapors  
P262 - Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.  
P271+P403 - Use and store only outdoors or in a well-ventilated place.  
CGA-PG05 - Use a back flow preventive device in the piping.  
CGA-PG10 - Use only with equipment rated for cylinder pressure.  
CGA-PG06 - Close valve after each use and when empty.  
CGA-PG02 - Protect from sunlight when ambient temperature exceeds 52°C (125°F).

#### 2.3. Other hazards

Other hazards not contributing to the classification : Asphyxiant in high concentrations.

**Welding-specific:** For unique hazards specific to welding, see Sections 8.2, 10.6, and 16.

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### 2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS US)

No data available

## SECTION 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

### 3.1. Substance

Not applicable

### 3.2. Mixture

Name	Product identifier	%
Argon	(CAS No) 7440-37-1	84.575 - 99.99998
Carbon dioxide	(CAS No) 124-38-9	< 10
Nitrogen	(CAS No) 7727-37-9	0.00001 - 5

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

#### First-aid measures after inhalation

: Immediately remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, qualified personnel may give oxygen. Call a physician.

#### First-aid measures after skin contact

: Wash with plenty of soap and water.. For exposure, immediately warm frostbite area with warm water not to exceed 105°F (41°C). Water temperature should be tolerable to normal skin. Maintain skin warming for at least 15 minutes or until normal coloring and sensation have returned to the affected area. In case of massive exposure, remove clothing while showering with warm water. Seek medical evaluation and treatment as soon as possible.

#### First-aid measures after eye contact

: Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. Hold the eyelids open and away from the eyeballs to ensure that all surfaces are flushed thoroughly. Contact an ophthalmologist immediately. Get immediate medical attention.

#### First-aid measures after ingestion

: Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

No additional information available

### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

None.

## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1. Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

: Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

No additional information available

### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

#### Firefighting instructions

: **WARNING: High pressure gas**

Compressed gas: asphyxiant

Suffocation hazard by lack of oxygen

Evacuate all personnel from the danger area. Use self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and protective clothing. Immediately cool containers with water from maximum distance. Stop flow of gas if safe to do so, while continuing cooling water spray. Remove ignition sources if safe to do so. Remove containers from area of fire if safe to do so. On-site fire brigades must comply with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.156 and applicable standards under 29 CFR 1910 Subpart L—Fire Protection.

#### Special protective equipment for fire fighters

: Standard protective clothing and equipment (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire fighters.

#### Other information

: Containers are equipped with a pressure relief device. (Exceptions may exist where authorized by DOT.).

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Vapor pressure	: Not applicable.
Relative vapor density at 20 °C	: No data available
Relative density	: No data available
Density	: 1.166 - 1.275 kg/m <sup>3</sup> HeliStar SS: 1.166 kg/m <sup>3</sup> (0.0728 lb/ft <sup>3</sup> ) , HeliStarCS: 1.275 kg/m <sup>3</sup> (0.0796 lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )
Relative gas density	: 0.962 - 1.062 HeliStar SS: 0.972, HeliStar CS: 1.062
Solubility	: Water: No data available
Log Pow	: Not applicable.
Log Kow	: Not applicable.
Viscosity, kinematic	: Not applicable.
Viscosity, dynamic	: Not applicable.
Explosive properties	: Not applicable.
Oxidizing properties	: None.
Explosion limits	: No data available

### 9.2. Other information

No additional information available

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

No additional information available

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No additional information available

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

No additional information available

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Alkali metals, Alkaline earth metals, Acetylide forming metals, Chromium, Titanium > 1022°F (550°C), Uranium (U) > 1382°F (750°C), Magnesium > 1427°F (775°C).

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Using this product in welding and cutting may create additional hazards. The arc from electric arc welding may form gaseous reaction products such as carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. Ozone and nitrogen oxides may be formed by the radiation from the arc. Other decomposition products of arc welding and cutting originate from the volatilization, reaction, and oxidation of the material being worked.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity	: Not classified
Skin corrosion/irritation	: Not classified pH: Not applicable.
Serious eye damage/irritation	: Not classified pH: Not applicable.
Respiratory or skin sensitization	: Not classified
Germ cell mutagenicity	: Not classified
Carcinogenicity	: Not classified
Reproductive toxicity	: Not classified

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Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) : Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) : Not classified

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

### SECTION 12: Ecological information

#### 12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general : No ecological damage caused by this product.

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

<b>Stargon SS</b>	
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.
<b>Argon (7440-37-1)</b>	
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.
<b>Carbon dioxide (124-38-9)</b>	
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.
<b>Nitrogen (7727-37-9)</b>	
Persistence and degradability	No ecological damage caused by this product.

#### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

<b>Stargon SS</b>	
Log Pow	Not applicable.
Log Kow	Not applicable.
Bioaccumulative potential	No ecological damage caused by this product.
<b>Argon (7440-37-1)</b>	
Log Pow	Not applicable.
Log Kow	Not applicable.
Bioaccumulative potential	No ecological damage caused by this product.
<b>Carbon dioxide (124-38-9)</b>	
BCF fish 1	(no bioaccumulation)
Log Pow	0.83
Log Kow	Not applicable.
Bioaccumulative potential	No ecological damage caused by this product.
<b>Nitrogen (7727-37-9)</b>	
Log Pow	Not applicable for inorganic gases.
Log Kow	Not applicable.
Bioaccumulative potential	No ecological damage caused by this product.

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

<b>Stargon SS</b>	
Mobility in soil	No data available.
<b>Argon (7440-37-1)</b>	
Mobility in soil	No data available.
Ecology - soil	No ecological damage caused by this product.
<b>Carbon dioxide (124-38-9)</b>	
Mobility in soil	No data available.
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### 12.5. Other adverse effects

Effect on ozone layer : None.

## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste disposal recommendations : Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations. Contact supplier for any special requirements.

## SECTION 14: Transport information

### In accordance with DOT

Transport document description : UN1956 Compressed gas, n.o.s., 2.2  
UN-No.(DOT) : UN1956  
Proper Shipping Name (DOT) : Compressed gas, n.o.s.  
Transport hazard class(es) (DOT) : 2.2 - Class 2.2 - Non-flammable compressed gas 49 CFR 173.115  
Hazard labels (DOT) : 2.2 - Non-flammable gas



DOT Symbols : G - Identifies proper shipping name (PSN) requiring the addition of technical name(s) in parentheses following the PSN.

### Additional information

Other information : No supplementary information available.

### Special transport precautions

: 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 there is adequate ventilation. - 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.

### Transport by sea

UN-No. (IMDG) : 1956  
Proper Shipping Name (IMDG) : COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.  
Class (IMDG) : 2 - Gases

### Air transport

UN-No. (IATA) : 1956  
Proper Shipping Name (IATA) : Compressed gas, n.o.s.  
Class (IATA) : 2

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1. US Federal regulations

#### Stargon SS

#### SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes

Sudden release of pressure hazard  
Immediate (acute) health hazard

All components of this product are listed on the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory.

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This product or mixture does not contain a toxic chemical or chemicals in excess of the applicable de minimis concentration as specified in 40 CFR §372.38(a) subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 and 40 CFR Part 372.

### 15.2. International regulations

#### CANADA

<b>Argon (7440-37-1)</b>
Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)
<b>Carbon dioxide (124-38-9)</b>
Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)
<b>Nitrogen (7727-37-9)</b>
Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

#### EU-Regulations

### 15.2.2. National regulations

No additional information available

### 15.3. US State regulations

<b>Stargon SS()</b>	
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	No
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	No
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	No
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	No

California Proposition 65 - This product does not contain any substances known to the state of California to cause cancer, developmental and/or reproductive harm

<b>Argon (7440-37-1)</b>				
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	Non-significant risk level (NSRL)
No	No	No	No	
<b>Carbon dioxide (124-38-9)</b>				
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	Non-significant risk level (NSRL)
No	No	No	No	
<b>Nitrogen (7727-37-9)</b>				
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	Non-significant risk level (NSRL)
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### Argon (7440-37-1)

U.S. - Massachusetts - Right To Know List  
U.S. - New Jersey - Right to Know Hazardous Substance List  
U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) List

### Carbon dioxide (124-38-9)

U.S. - Massachusetts - Right To Know List  
U.S. - New Jersey - Right to Know Hazardous Substance List  
U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) List

### Nitrogen (7727-37-9)

U.S. - Massachusetts - Right To Know List  
U.S. - New Jersey - Right to Know Hazardous Substance List  
U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) List

## SECTION 16: Other information

### Other information

: When you mix two or more chemicals, you can create additional, unexpected hazards. Obtain and evaluate the safety information for each component before you produce the mixture. Consult an industrial hygienist or other trained person when you evaluate the end product. Before using any plastics, confirm their compatibility with this product.

Fumes and gases produced during welding and cutting processes can be dangerous to your health and may cause serious lung disease. KEEP YOUR HEAD OUT OF FUMES. DO NOT BREATHE FUMES AND GASES. Use enough ventilation, local exhaust, or both to keep fumes and gases from your breathing zone and the general area. Short-term overexposure to fumes may cause dizziness, nausea, and dryness or irritation of the nose, throat, and eyes; or may cause other similar discomfort. Contaminants in the air may add to the hazard of fumes and gases. One such contaminant, chlorinated hydrocarbon vapors from cleaning and degreasing activities, poses a special risk. DO NOT USE ELECTRIC ARCS IN THE PRESENCE OF CHLORINATED HYDROCARBON VAPORS—HIGHLY TOXIC PHOSGENE MAY BE PRODUCED. Metal coatings such as paint, plating, or galvanizing may generate harmful fumes when heated. Residues from cleaning materials may also be harmful. AVOID ARC OPERATIONS ON PARTS WITH PHOSPHATE RESIDUES (ANTI-RUST, CLEANING PREPARATIONS)—HIGHLY TOXIC PHOSPHINE MAY BE PRODUCED.

Praxair asks users of this product to study this SDS and become aware of the product hazards and safety information. To promote safe use of this product, a user should (1) notify employees, agents, and contractors of the information in this SDS and of any other known product hazards and safety information, (2) furnish this information to each purchaser of the product, and (3) ask each purchaser to notify its employees and customers of the product hazards and safety information.

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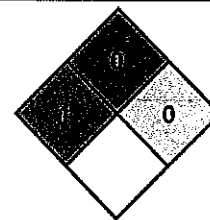
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NFPA health hazard : 1 - Exposure could cause irritation but only minor residual injury even if no treatment is given.  
NFPA fire hazard : 0 - Materials that will not burn.  
NFPA reactivity : 0 - Normally stable, even under fire exposure conditions, and are not reactive with water.



### HMIS III Rating

Health : 1 Slight Hazard - Irritation or minor reversible injury possible  
Flammability : 0 Minimal Hazard  
Physical : 3 Serious Hazard

SDS US (GHS HazCom 2012) - Praxair

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