

Section 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1. Product identifier

Product name: REFRIGERANT R437A

Product code: R437A

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

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company name: National Refrigerants Ltd
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Hinckley
Leicestershire
LE10 3EZ
United Kingdom

Tel: 01455 630790

Fax: 01455 630791

Email: sds@nationalref.com

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency tel: Carechem24 +44 (0)1865 407333

Section 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification under CLP: Press. Gas: H280

Most important adverse effects: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

2.2. Label elements

Label elements:

Hazard statements: H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Hazard pictograms: GHS04: Gas cylinder



Signal words: Warning

Precautionary statements: P410+403: Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

2.3. Other hazards

PBT: This product is not identified as a PBT/vPvB substance.

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Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.2. Mixtures

Hazardous ingredients:

1,1,1,2-TETRAFLUOROETHANE - REACH registered number(s): 01-2119459374-33

EINECS	CAS	PBT / WEL	CLP Classification	Percent
212-377-0	811-97-2	Substance with a Community workplace exposure limit.	Press. Gas: H280	70-90%

PENTAFLUOROETHANE - REACH registered number(s): 01-2119485636-25

206-557-8	354-33-6	Substance with a Community workplace exposure limit.	Press. Gas: H280	10-30%
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BUTANE

203-448-7	106-97-8	Substance with a Community workplace exposure limit.	Flam. Gas 1: H220; Press. Gas: H280	1-10%
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Non-classified ingredients:

PENTANE

EINECS	CAS	PBT / WEL	CLP Classification	Percent
203-692-4	109-66-0	-	Flam. Liq. 2: H225; Asp. Tox. 1: H304; STOT SE 3: H336; Aquatic Chronic 2: H411; -: EUH066	<1%

Section 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

Skin contact: Remove all contaminated clothes and footwear immediately unless stuck to skin. Drench the affected skin with running water for 10 minutes or longer if substance is still on skin. Do not use hot water. If frostbite has occurred call a physician.

Eye contact: Bathe the eye with running water for 15 minutes. Consult a doctor.

Ingestion: Not applicable.

Inhalation: Remove casualty from exposure ensuring one's own safety whilst doing so. If unconscious, check for breathing and apply artificial respiration if necessary. Consult a doctor.

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

Skin contact: There may be redness or whiteness of the skin in the area of exposure. Frost-bite may occur causing the affected area to become white and numb.

Eye contact: There may be severe pain. Corneal burns may occur. May cause permanent damage.

Ingestion: Not applicable.

Inhalation: Inhalation may produce the following symptoms: Shortness of breath, dizziness, weakness, nausea, headache, narcosis, irregular cardiac activity. Asphyxia. May cause cardiac arrhythmia.

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Delayed / immediate effects: May cause cardiac arrhythmia.

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

Immediate / special treatment: Not applicable.

Section 5: Fire-fighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Extinguishing media: Alcohol resistant foam. Water spray. Carbon dioxide. Dry chemical powder. Suitable extinguishing media for the surrounding fire should be used. Use water spray to cool containers.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Exposure hazards: In combustion emits toxic fumes. Non flammable gas.

5.3. Advice for fire-fighters

Advice for fire-fighters: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Wear protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.

Section 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions: Refer to section 8 of SDS for personal protection details. Notify the police and fire brigade immediately. If outside keep bystanders upwind and away from danger point.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Environmental precautions: Stop release if safe to do so. Prevent from entering sewers, basements and work pits, or any place where the accumulation can be dangerous.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Clean-up procedures: Material evaporates. Ventilate the area, especially low or enclosed places where heavy vapours might collect.

6.4. Reference to other sections

Reference to other sections: Refer to section 8 of SDS.

Section 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Handling requirements: Ensure there is sufficient ventilation of the area. Avoid the formation or spread of mists in the air.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions: Store in a cool, well ventilated area. Keep container tightly closed. Store at a temperature not exceeding 45°C.

Suitable packaging: Must only be kept in original packaging.

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7.3. Specific end use(s)

Specific end use(s): No data available.

Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Hazardous ingredients:

1,1,1,2-TETRAFLUOROETHANE

Workplace exposure limits:

Respirable dust

State	8 hour TWA	15 min. STEL	8 hour TWA	15 min. STEL
EU	4240 mg/m ³	-	-	-

PENTAFLUOROETHANE

EU	1000 ppm	-	-	-
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BUTANE

UK	1450 mg/m ³	1810 mg/m ³	-	-
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DNEL/PNEC Values

Hazardous ingredients:

1,1,1,2-TETRAFLUOROETHANE

Type	Exposure	Value	Population	Effect
DNEL	Inhalation	2476 mg/m ³	Workers	Systemic
DNEL	Inhalation	2476 mg/m ³	Consumers	Systemic
PNEC	Fresh water	0.01 mg/l	-	-
PNEC	Marine water	0.75 mg/l	-	-
PNEC	Microorganisms in sewage treatment	73 mg/l	-	-

PENTAFLUOROETHANE

Type	Exposure	Value	Population	Effect
DNEL	Inhalation	16444 mg/m ³	Workers	Systemic
DNEL	Inhalation	1753 mg/m ³	Consumers	Systemic
PNEC	Fresh water	0.1 mg/l	-	-
PNEC	Fresh water sediments	0.6 mg/kg	-	-

8.2. Exposure controls

Engineering measures: Ensure there is sufficient ventilation of the area.

Respiratory protection: Self-contained breathing apparatus must be available in case of emergency. Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing the oxygen available for breathing.

Hand protection: Protective gloves.

Eye protection: Safety glasses with side-shields. Safety goggles. Face-shield. Safety glasses.

Skin protection: Protective clothing.

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Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

State: Liquified gas

Colour: Colourless

Odour: Characteristic odour

Boiling point/range°C: -29

Flash point°C: Not applicable.

9.2. Other information

Other information: R437A Liquid Density: 1.1758 g/cm³ R437A Vapour density: 0.0378 g/cm³.

Section 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

Reactivity: Stable under recommended transport or storage conditions.

10.2. Chemical stability

Chemical stability: Stable under normal conditions. Stable at room temperature.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous reactions: Hazardous reactions will not occur under normal transport or storage conditions.
Decomposition may occur on exposure to conditions or materials listed below.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Conditions to avoid: Heat. Hot surfaces. Sources of ignition. Flames.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Materials to avoid: Strong oxidising agents. Strong acids.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Haz. decomp. products: In combustion emits toxic fumes.

Section 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Hazardous ingredients:

1,1,1,2-TETRAFLUOROETHANE

GASES	RAT	4H LC50	567000	ppmV
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PENTAFLUOROETHANE

GASES	RAT	4H LC50	800000	ppmV
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PENTANE

IVN	MUS	LD50	446	mg/kg
ORL	RAT	LD50	400	mg/kg

Toxicity values: No data available.

Symptoms / routes of exposure

Skin contact: There may be redness or whiteness of the skin in the area of exposure. Frost-bite may occur causing the affected area to become white and numb.

Eye contact: There may be severe pain. Corneal burns may occur. May cause permanent damage.

Ingestion: Not applicable.

Inhalation: Inhalation may produce the following symptoms: Shortness of breath, dizziness, weakness, nausea, headache, narcosis, irregular cardiac activity. Asphyxia. May cause cardiac arrhythmia.

Delayed / immediate effects: May cause cardiac arrhythmia.

Section 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Hazardous ingredients:

1,1,1,2-TETRAFLUOROETHANE

ALGAE	72H ErC50	118	mg/l
Daphnia magna	48H EC50	980	mg/l
RAINBOW TROUT (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	96H LC50	450	mg/l

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Persistence and degradability: Not biodegradable.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulative potential: No bioaccumulation potential.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Mobility: No data available.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT identification: This product is not identified as a PBT/vPvB substance.

12.6. Other adverse effects

Other adverse effects: Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP): 0 (R11 = 1) Contains fluorinated greenhouse gases covered by the Kyoto Protocol.

Section 13: Disposal considerations

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13.1. Waste treatment methods

Disposal operations: Product evaporates.

Recovery operations: Consult manufacturer or supplier for information regarding recovery and recycling of the product. If recovery is not possible, incinerate at a licenced instalation.

Waste code number: 14 06 01

Disposal of packaging: Return to supplier.

NB: The user's attention is drawn to the possible existence of regional or national regulations regarding disposal.

Section 14: Transport information

14.1. UN number

UN number: UN3163

14.2. UN proper shipping name

Shipping name: LIQUEFIED GAS, N.O.S.
(NORFLUANE; PENTAFLUOROETHANE)

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Transport class: 2

14.4. Packing group

14.5. Environmental hazards

Environmentally hazardous: No

Marine pollutant: No

14.6. Special precautions for user

Special precautions: No special precautions.

Tunnel code: C/E

Transport category: 3

Section 15: Regulatory information

15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Specific regulations: Contains fluorinated greenhouse gases covered by the Kyoto Protocol.

15.2. Chemical Safety Assessment

Section 16: Other information

Other information

Other information: This safety data sheet is prepared in accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) No 2015/830.

* indicates text in the SDS which has changed since the last revision.

Phrases used in s.2 and s.3: EUH066: Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking.

H220: Extremely flammable gas.

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H225: Highly flammable liquid and vapour.

H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

H304: May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.

H336: May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

H411: Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Legal disclaimer: The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. This company shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product.