SAFETY DATA SHEET
ARGON in non-refillable gas cylinders

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

1.1. Product identifier

Trade name	:	Argon in non-refillable gas cylinders
Chemical description	:	Argon
▪ **CAS no.**	:	7440-37-1
▪ **EG no.**	:	231-147-0
▪ **Index no.**	:	--
Chemical formula	:	Ar
Registration number	:	Listed in Annex IV/V of regulation no. EC 1907/2006 (REACH). Exempted from registration.

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

Relevant identified uses : For various industrial applications. Perform risk assessment prior to use.
Food & beverage, inflation systems, pressurisation, propellant, calibration gas, purge gas, inerting gas, laboratory use, shielding gas in welding processes etc.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company identification :

iSi Components GmbH
Kuerschnergasse 6A
A-1210 Vienna, Austria

Website: www.isi.com/components
E-mail: ico@isi.com
Phone: +43 1 25099-1803

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone number : +1 872 5888271 (IAA)

Section 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance of mixture

Classification according to EC 1272/2008 (CLP / GHS)

▪ **Physical hazards** : Gas under pressure: Compressed gas – H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode, if heated.

2.2. Label elements

Labelling according to EC 1272/2008 (CLP / GHS)

▪ **Hazard pictogram(s)** :



▪ **Hazard pictogram codes** : GHS04
▪ **Signal word** : Warning
▪ **Hazard statement** : H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.
▪ **Precautionary statements**
– **General** : P102: Keep out of reach of children.
– **Storage** : P410 + P403: Protect from direct sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

2.3. Other hazards

: Asphyxiant in high concentrations.
This product does not have endocrine disruptive properties.

Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substance / 3.2. Mixture

Substance name	Concentration	CAS no.	EC no.	Index no.	REACH registration no.	Classification (CLP)
Argon	100%	7740-37-1	231-147-0	-----	See note	Compressed Gas (H280)

Note: Listed in Appendix IV/V REACH, exempt from registration.
Does not contain any other components or impurities which could affect the classification of this product.
For full text of H statements: See section 16

Section 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

Inhalation : Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self-contained respiratory equipment. Keep victim warm and rested.
Call a doctor. Attempt artificial respiration, if the victim stops breathing.

Skin contact : Adverse effects are not expected from this product.

Eye contact : Adverse effects are not expected from this product.

Ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a possible route of exposure.

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

: High concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Symptoms can include loss of mobility/ consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation.

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

: None.

Section 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray or fog.

Unsuitable extinguishing media : None.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Specific hazards : Exposure to fire may cause cylinder to burst/explode.

Hazardous combustion products : None.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Specific methods : Adopt firefighting measures to the surroundings of the fire.
Cylinder may burst/explode if exposed to direct flame and thermal radiation by fire, respectively.
Move away from cylinder and cool with water from a safe position.
Prevent contaminated quench water from entering sewer systems, basements, work pits or any other areas
If possible, attempt to stop gas release.

Special protective equipment for fire fighters : In confined spaces use self-contained breathing apparatus.
Fire fighters shall use standard protective clothing and equipment.
Guidelines:
EN 137 – Respiratory protective devices - Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full face mask - Requirements, testing, marking.
EN 469 – Protective clothing for firefighters - Performance requirements for protective clothing for firefighting.
EN 659 – Protective gloves for firefighters.

Section 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

: Attempt to stop gas release.
Evacuate area.
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus when entering area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe.
Provide adequate ventilation.
Prevent from entering sewer systems, basements, work pits or any other areas where accumulation could be hazardous.

6.2. Environmental precautions

: Attempt to stop gas release.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

: Provide adequate ventilation.

6.4. Reference to other sections

: See also section 8 and section 13.

Section 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Safe use of product : Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle gases under pressure.
The substance must be handled in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures.
Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. If in doubt, consult supplier.

Do not smoke while handling product.
Ensure the complete gas system was (or is regularly) checked for leaks before use.

Safe handling of pressurized cylinder : Refer to supplier's handling instructions.
Only use equipment suitable for this product and its pressure and temperature specified. If in doubt, consult supplier.
Do not allow backfeed into cylinder.
Never use direct flame or electrical heating devices to raise the pressure of a cylinder.
Never attempt to refill an empty cylinder.
Never attempt to transfer gases from one cylinder to another.
Do not use cylinder as roller or support, or for any other purpose than to contain the gas as supplied.
Do not subject cylinder to mechanical shocks which may cause damage to their integrity.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

: Keep out of reach of children.
Store cylinder in a well-ventilated place at less than 50°C.
Store cylinder in a location free from risk of fire and away from sources of heat and ignition.
Periodically check cylinder for general conditions and leakage.
Do not store cylinder in conditions likely to encourage corrosion.
Observe all regulations and local requirements regarding storage of gas cylinders.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

: None.

Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

OEL (Occupational Exposure Limits) : No data available
DNEL (Derived No-Effect Level) : No data available
PNEC (Predicted No-Effect Concentration) : No data available

8.2. Exposure controls

8.2.1. Appropriate engineering controls : Ensure adequate air ventilation.
Provide adequate general and local ventilation to ensure that defined occupational exposure limits are not exceeded.
Systems under pressure should be regularly checked for leakages.
Oxygen detectors should be used when asphyxiating gases may be released.
Preferably use permanent leak tight connections.

8.2.1 Individual protection measures, e.g. personal protective equipment : A risk assessment should be conducted and documented in each work area to assess the risks related to the use of the product and to select the PPE that matches the relevant risk.
The following recommendations should be considered:
– Select PPE based on the task being performed and risks involved.
– Keep self-contained breathing apparatus readily available for emergency use.

▪ **Eye/face protection**	:	Wear eye with side shields Guideline: EN 166 – Personal eye protection
▪ **Skin protection**	:	
– Hand protection		Wear working gloves while handling gas cylinders. Guideline: EN 388 – Protective gloves against mechanical risks.
– Other		Wear safety shoes while handling gas cylinders. Guideline: EN ISO 20345 – Personal protective equipment – Safety footwear.
▪ **Respiratory protection**	:	Not required.
▪ **Thermal hazards**	:	No precautionary measures are necessary.
8.2.3 Environmental exposure controls	:	For waste disposal see section 13.

Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance		
▪ **Physical state at 20°C/ 101,03kPa**	:	Gas.
▪ **Colour**	:	Colourless.
Odour	:	No odour warning properties..
Odour threshold	:	Odour threshold is subjective and inadequate to warn of overexposure.
Melting point [°C]	:	-189
Boiling point [°C]	:	-186
Critical temperature [°C]	:	-122
Evaporation rate (ether = 1)	:	Not applicable to gases and gas mixtures.
Flammability	:	Non flammable.
Lower and upper explosion limit	:	Not applicable.
Flash point	:	Not applicable to gases and gas mixtures.
Autoignition temperatur [°C]	:	Not applicable.
Oxidizing properties	:	None.
pH value		Not applicable to gases and gas mixtures.
Viscosity [20°C]	:	Not applicable.
Solubility in water [mg/l]	:	67.3
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water [log Kow]	:	Not applicable for inorganic gases.
Vapour pressure at 20°C [bar]	:	Not applicable.
Relative density, liquid (water = 1)	:	1.4
Relative density, gas (air = 1)	:	1.38
Particle characteristics:	:	Not applicable

9.2. Other information

Molecular weight [g/mol]:	:	40 Gas/vapour heavier than air. May accumulate in confined spaces, particularly at or below ground level.

Section 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

: No reactivity hazard other than the effects described in sub-sections below.

10.2. Chemical stability

: Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

: None.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

: None under recommended storage and handling conditions (see section 7).

10.5. Incompatible materials

: No reaction with any common materials in dry or wet conditions. For additional information - see ISO 11114.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

: None.

Section 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute Toxicity	:	No toxicological effects known from this product.
Skin corrosion/irritation	:	No known effects from this product.
Serious eye damage/irritation	:	No known effects from this product.
Respiratory or skin sensitisation	:	No known effects from this product.
Germ cell mutagenicity	:	No known effects from this product.
Carcinogenicity	:	No known effects from this product.
Reproductive toxicity	:	No known effects from this product.
Spezific Target Organ Toxicity – single exposure	:	No known effects from this product.
Spezific Target Organ Toxicity – repeated exposure	:	No known effects from this product.
Aspiration hazard	:	Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.

11.2. Information on other hazards

Endocrine disrupting properties	:	The product does not have endocrine disruptive properties.
Other information	:	None.

Section 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

: No ecological damage caused by this product.

12.2. Persistence and degradability

: No ecological damage caused by this product.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

: No ecological damage caused by this product.

12.4. Mobility in soil

: No ecological damage caused by this product.

12.5. Results of PBT- and vPvB assessment

: Not classified as PBT or vPvB.

12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

: This product does not have endocrine disruptive properties.

12.7. Other adverse effects

Effect on ozon layer : None.

Effect on global warming : None

Section 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment information

: Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous.
May be vented to atmosphere in a well-ventilated place.
Dispose of emptied cylinders only.
Cylinders are made of recyclable steel and hence a valuable resource. Emptied cylinders should therefore always be recycled.
Adhere to local waste regulations when disposing of emptied cylinders.
Never dispose of cylinders in an uncontrolled manner (e.g. dumping at sea).
Consult your supplier, if you require advice.

List of hazardous waste codes (from Commission Decision 2001/118/EC) : 16 05 05: Gases in pressure containers other than those mentioned in 16 05 04.

13.2. Additional information

: None.

Section 14: Transport information

14.1 UN number

UN number of filling gas : 1006

14.2 UN proper shipping name

Land transport (ADR/RID) : According to the requirements set out in the relevant version of the ADR. See Annex.

Sea transport (IMDG) : According to the requirements set out in the relevant version of the IMDG-Code. See Annex.

Air transport (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR) : According to the requirements set out in the relevant version of the ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR. See Annex.

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

: See Annex.

14.4 Packing group

: Not applicable.

14.5 Environmental hazards

: Not applicable.

14.6 Special precautions for user

: Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's compartment.

Ensure the 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 the gas cylinders:

- Ensure there is adequate ventilation.
- Ensure the gas cylinders are firmly secured.

14.7 Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

: Not applicable.

Section 15: Regulatory information

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

EU-Regulations

- **Restrictions on use** : None.
- **Seveso directive 96/82/EG** : Not covered.

National regulations

- **National legislation** : Ensure that all national/local regulations are observed.

15.2. Chemical safety assessment

: There is no need to carry out a chemical safety assessment for this product.

Section 16: Other information

Indication of changes	:	This Safety Data Sheet has been worked out to comply with Regulation (EU) 1907/2006, amended by (EU) 2020/878.
Training advice	:	The hazard of asphyxiation is often overlooked and must be stressed during operator training.
Full text of R-phrases and H-statements in section 2 and 3	:	H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.
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