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**SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY / UNDERTAKING**
**1.1. Product identifier:** Helium UN 1956

**1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**
Use of substance / mixture: Industrial General, Balloon Injection

Usage advised against: Do not inhale the product intentionally; choking hazard

**1.3. Identification of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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**1.4. Emergency telephone number:**
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**SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**
**2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture**

Gases under pressure Compressed gas. H280- Contains gas under pressure; risk of explosion under the influence of heat.

**2.2. Label Elements**
Hazard pictograms


Signal Word (CLP) Attention

Hazard statements: H280 - Contains gas under pressure; risk of explosion under the influence of heat.

Precautionary statements

Storage: P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place.

Additional Information

Do not inhale the product intentionally; choking hazard

**2.3. Other hazards** Asphyxiant at high concentrations.

**SECTION 3: COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**
**3.1. Substances/ Mixtures**

Name	Product identification	%	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)
Helium	CAS n.º – 7440-59-7 CE n.º – 231-168-5 Index n.º - Not applicable. REACH n.º - exempt from registration	80%	Press.Gas (Comp.), H280
Nitrogen	CAS n.º: 7727-37-9	20%	

Contains no other components or impurities that may modify the product classification.

#### SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

##### 4.1. Description of First Aid Measures

###### Inhalation

- May suffocate in high concentrations. Symptoms are loss of motility and consciousness, headaches, nausea and loss of coordination.
- The victim may not be aware of asphyxiation, as this is caused by the decrease of oxygen in the air, which can lead to an acceleration of breathing and severe headaches.
- Remove victim to a well-ventilated place in the event of deficiencies or loss of respiration. Give artificial respiration if victim is not breathing. Keep victim warm and at rest.
- Call medical help.

###### Skin / eyes contact

- No adverse effects are expected for this product.

###### Ingestion

- Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

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

At high concentrations it may cause choking. Symptoms may include loss of consciousness and motor impairment. The victim may not be aware of suffocation. - See section 11.

##### 4.3. Indications about urgent medical care and special treatment needed

None.

#### SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

##### 5.1. Extinguishing media

###### Suitable extinguishing media

Water spray or fog.

###### Unsuitable extinguishing media

Do not use water jet to extinguish.

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

###### Specific Hazards

Exposure to fire may cause containers to rupture and / or explode.

###### Hazardous combustion products

None.

##### 5.3. Advice to firefighters

###### Specific Methods

- Coordinate fire extinguishing measures with surrounding fire. Exposure to fire and radiation can cause containers to rupture. Cool endangered containers with water spray and protect them. Prevent entry of fire water into sewers and drainage systems.
- If possible, eliminate leakage of the product.
- Use water spray to eliminate fumes if possible.
- Remove containers away from fire area if this can be done without risk.

###### Personal protective equipment for fire-fighting

- In enclosed spaces, use self-contained breathing apparatus with positive pressure.
- Clothing and equipment (self-contained breathing apparatus) standardized for firefighters.

#### SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

##### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- Try to eliminate leakage or spillage.
- Evacuate the area.
- Use positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus when entering the area unless the atmosphere is found to be breathable.
- Ensure adequate ventilation.
- Act according to your local emergency plan.
- Keep against the wind.
- Oxygen detectors should be used whenever asphyxiating gases can be released.

##### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Attempts to eliminate leakage or spillage.

##### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Ventilate area

##### 6.4. Reference to other sections

See also sections 8 and 13.

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Precautions for safe storage

#### Safe use of the product

- The substance should be handled in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures.
- Only trained and experienced persons should handle compressed gases under pressure.
- Consider pressure relief systems in gas installations.
- Verify that the gas system assembly has been, or is regularly checked, before use for leaks.
- Do not smoke while handling the product
- Use equipment with appropriate specification for this product and its delivery pressure and temperature. Contact your supplier if you have any questions.
- Avoid return of water, acids or bases.
- Do not breathe gas.
- Avoid release of the product to the work area.

#### Safe handling of gas containers

- Follow the supplier's instructions for handling the container
- Do not allow the product to return to the container.
- Protect cylinders from property damage, do not drag, swivel, slide or drop.
- Always use your own equipment for the transport / movement (mechanical, manual, etc.) of the bottles, even at short distance,
- If the user detects any problem with a valve of a bottle in use, stop using it and contact the supplier.
- Never attempt to repair or modify valves in containers or safety devices.
- Damaged valves must be reported immediately to the supplier.
- Keep valve fittings clean, free from contaminants, especially oil and water.
- Always close the container valve after each use and when empty.
- Never attempt to transfer gases from one container to another.
- Never use direct flame or any electrical heating equipment to raise the pressure in the vessel.
- Do not remove identification labels from the contents of the bottles, given by the supplier.
- Prevent water from entering the container.
- Slowly open the valve to avoid pressure shock.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

- Observe all local regulations and regulations required for the storage of containers.
- Containers should not be stored under conditions that favor corrosion.
- Valve protections of the containers must always be in place.
- The containers should be stored in an upright position and properly secured to prevent them from falling.
- Stored containers should be checked periodically for their general condition and possible leakage.
- Place the container in a well-ventilated place, at temperatures below 50°Celsius.
- Store containers in a place free from fire hazards and away from heat and ignition sources.
- Keep away from combustible material.

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1. Appropriate technical controls

- Ensure adequate ventilation.
- Pressure systems must be checked for leaks
- Oxygen detectors should be used whenever asphyxiating gases can be released.

### 8.2. Personal protective equipment

Eye and face protection      Wear safety glasses with side protection

Skin protection      Wear work gloves when handling containers.  
Wear protective shoes when handling containers.

Respiratory protection      Ensure adequate ventilation.

Self-contained breathing apparatus or positive-pressure air lines should be used in oxygen-depleted atmospheres

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1. Informações sobre propriedades físicas e químicas de base

<u>Appearance</u>	
<u>Physical State</u>	20°C/ 101.3 kPa Gss.
<u>Color</u>	Colorless.
<u>Odor</u>	Not detectable by smell.
<u>pH</u>	Not applicable to gases or gas mixture.
<u>Melting point/ freezing point</u>	-272 °C
<u>Boiling point</u>	-269 °C
<u>Flash point</u>	Not applicable to gases or gas mixture.
<u>Evaporation rate</u>	Not applicable to gases or gas mixture.
<u>Flammability (solid / gas)</u>	Non flammable.
<u>Vapor pressure (20°C)</u>	Not applicable
<u>Vapor pressure (50 °C)</u>	Not applicable.
<u>Gaseous density</u>	Not applicable.
<u>Relative density, liquid (water = 1)</u>	Not applicable.
<u>Relative density, gas (air = 1)</u>	0,14
<u>Solubility in water</u>	1,5 mg/L
<u>Partition coefficient n-octanol / water (Log Kow)</u>	Not applicable
<u>Auto-ignition temperature</u>	Non flammable.
<u>Decomposition temperature</u>	Not applicable.
<u>Viscosity</u>	No data available.
<u>Explosive properties</u>	Not applicable.
<u>Oxidizing properties</u>	Not applicable.

### 9.2. Other information

Molecular Weight: 4mg/mol  
Critical temperature (°C): -268°C

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

<b>10.1. Reactivity</b>	No danger of reactivity other than those described in the sub-sections below.
<b>10.2. Chemical stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	None.
<b>10.4. Conditions to avoid</b>	Avoid moisture on the premises.
<b>10.5. Incompatible materials</b>	None. For additional compatibility information refer to ISO 11114.
<b>10.6. Hazardous decomposition products</b>	None.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

<u>Acute toxicity</u>	No toxicological effects are to be expected from this product if the occupational exposure limit values are not exceeded.
<u>Skin corrosion / irritation</u>	No known effects from this product.
<u>Serious eye damage / eye irritation</u>	No known effects from this product.
<u>Respiratory or skin sensitization</u>	No known effects from this product.
<u>Mutagenicity</u>	No known effects from this product.
<u>Carcinogenicity</u>	No known effects from this product.
<u>Toxic for reproduction - fertility</u>	No known effects from this product.
<u>Toxic to reproduction - fetus</u>	No known effects from this product.
<u>Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - single exposure</u>	No known effects from this product.
<u>Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - repeated exposure</u>	No known effects from this product.
<u>Aspiration hazard</u>	Not applicable to gases or gas mixture.

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1. Toxicity

Evaluation

EC50 48 hrs – Daphnia magna (mg/l)

EC50 72 hrs – Algae (mg/l)

CL50 96 hrs – Peixe (mg/l)

Product without ecological risk.

No data available.

No data available.

No data available.

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Product without ecological risk.

### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No data available.

### 12.4. Mobility in Soil

It is difficult to produce soil or water pollution due to its high volatility. Partition on improbable ground.

### 12.5. Results for PBT e vPvB assesment

No data available.

### 12.5. Other adverse effects

Other side effects

No known effects from this product.

Effect on the ozone layer

None.

Effect on global warming

None.

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods




Open in a well-ventilated place.  
Do not discharge into a location where its accumulation could be dangerous.

### 13.2. Further information

The treatment and disposal of waste by third parties must be carried out in accordance with local and / or national legislation.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### 14.1. UN Number and transport hazard classes

	Carriage / Expedition by Road / Rail (ADR / RID)	Transport / dispatch by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)	Transport / Shipping by Sea (IMGD)
UN Number	1956	1956	1956
UN proper shipping name	HELIUM, COMPRESSED	HELIUM, COMPRESSED	HELIUM, COMPRESSED
Labeling			
Class or division	2.2	2.2	2.2
Classification code	1A		
Hazard Number	20		
Transport category	3 (E)		

### 14.2. Other transport information

- Do not carry the product in vehicles where the cab is not separated from the loading area.
- Ensure that the driver knows the hazards of the load and how to operate in the event of an accident.
- Ensure that the valve outlet plug (if fitted) is correctly positioned, check that the device is properly ventilated, check that the containers are securely attached, check that the valves are closed and that they are not leaking, check that the device (where applicable) is properly installed.
- Comply with current shipping regulations.

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

UE regulation

Restrictions on use

None.

SEVESO Directive: 2012/18 / EU (Seveso III)

Not covered.

### 15.2. Chemical safety assesment

No chemical risk assessment is required for this product.

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

### 16.2. Abreviaturas e Acrônimos

CLP	Classification Labelling Packaging – Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on the classification, labeling and packaging
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals – Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals.
CAS N.º	Assigned number by Chemical Abstract Service (USA)
LC50	Lethal concentration for 50% of the population tested.
PBT	Persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic.
vPvB	Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative.
STOT-SE	Specific Target Organ Toxicity; Single Exposure
STOT-RE	Specific Target Organ Toxicity; Repeated Exposure
EN	European Standard.
ADR	European Road Transport Agreement for Dangerous Goods.
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IMDG code	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
RID	Regulation on the international carriage of dangerous goods by road

### 16.1. Training Instructions

All personnel responsible for the handling and use of this product should receive prior training regarding safety standards and usage regulations.

### Disclaimer of Liability

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