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

1.1. Product identifier

Product name: REFRIGERANT R508A

REACH registered number(s): MIXTURE

Product code: R508A

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

Use of substance / mixture: * PC16: Heat transfer fluids. Refrigerant Industrial and Professional use.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company name: National Refrigerants Ltd

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United Kingdom

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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.

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2.3. Other hazards

Other hazards: Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing available oxygen for

breathing.

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

Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.2. Mixtures

Hazardous ingredients:

HEXAFLUOROETHANE - REACH registered number(s): 01-2119974606

EINECS	CAS	PBT / WEL	CLP Classification	Percent
200-939-8	76-16-4	Substance with a Community workplace exposure limit.	Press. Gas: H280	50-70%

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200-872-4	75-46-7	Substance with a Community	Press. Gas: H280	30-50%
		workplace exposure limit.		

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: * Ingestion is unlikely due to its physical properties and is not expected to be dangerous.

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: * Ingestion is unlikely due to the physical properties of the product. As product is a gas refer

to inhalation section.

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.

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

Immediate / special treatment: Not applicable.

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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: * Non flamable gas. In combustion emits toxic fumes of hydrogen fluoride.

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. If outside keep bystanders upwind

and away from danger point. Vapours heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing. Ventilate the area, especially low or enclosed places where

heavy vapours might collect. For large escapes notify police and fire brigrade.

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 direct contact with the substance.

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.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

Specific end use(s): No data available.

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Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Hazardous ingredients:

HEXAFLUOROETHANE

Workplace exposure limits:

Respirable dust

State	8 hour TWA	15 min. STEL	8 hour TWA	15 min. STEL
UK	1000 ppm	-	-	-

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EU 1000 ppm	-	-	-
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DNEL/PNEC Values

DNEL / PNEC No data available.

8.2. Exposure controls

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

Respiratory protection: * Respiratory protection not required. Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation

by reducing the oxygen available for breathing. Self-contained breathing apparatus must be

available in case of emergency.

Hand protection: Protective gloves.

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

Skin protection: Protective clothing.

Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

State: Liquified gas

Colour: Colourless

Odour: Characteristic odour

Solubility in water: Insoluble

Also soluble in: Most organic solvents.

Boiling point/range°C: -86.62 Relative density: Vapour: 3.35 (Air=1)

9.2. Other information

Other information: No data available.

Section 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

Reactivity: Stable under recommended transport or storage conditions.

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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:

HEXAFLUOROETHANE

GASES RA	RAT 4H LC50	800000	ppmV
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GASES	DOG	LOAEC	>500000	ppmV
GASES	RAT	4H LC50	>663000	ppmV
GASES	RAT	NOAEL	28.634	mg/l

Toxicity values: No data available.

Symptoms / routes of exposure

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causing the affected area to become white and numb.

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arrhythmia.

Delayed / immediate effects: May cause cardiac arrhythmia.

Section 12: Ecological information

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12.1. Toxicity

Hazardous ingredients:

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ALGAE	96H ErC50	154.54	mg/l
Daphnia magna	48H EC50	323.05	mg/l
FISH	96H LC50	633.26	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: R508A Global Warming Potential: 11939 (CO2=1) Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP): 0 (R11

= 1) Contains fluoronated greenhouse gases covered by the Kyoto Protocol.

Section 13: Disposal considerations

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, incinerat at a licensed installation.

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.

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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. Regulation

842/2006/EC of the European Parliament and Council on certain flourinated gasses.

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

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.