Safety Data Sheet

Trifluoromethane (R23)

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH) with its amendment Regulation (EU) 2020/878
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Warning

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

1.1. Product identifier

Trade name	:	Trifluoromethane (R23)
SDS no	:	D-CHF3-119
Other means of identification	:	Trifluoromethane (R23)
		CAS-No. : 75-46-7
		EC-No. : 200-872-4
		EC Index-No. : ---
REACH registration No	:	01-2119971823-29
Chemical formula	:	CHF3

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

Relevant identified uses	:	Industrial and professional uses. Perform risk assessment prior to use. Test gas/Calibration gas. Chemical reaction / Synthesis. Laboratory use. Use as refrigerant. Use for manufacture of electronic/photovoltaic components.
Uses advised against	:	Consumer use. Uses other than those listed above are not supported, contact your supplier for more information on other uses.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone number	:	Messer Produktionsgesellschaft mbH Salzgitter, +49 (0) 5341 21-9333, erreichbar Montags 0:00 bis Sonntags 24:00

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Physical hazards	Gases under pressure : Liquefied gas	H280

2.2. Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Hazard pictograms (CLP) :

GHS04

Signal word (CLP) : Warning

Hazard statements (CLP) : H280 - Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Precautionary statements (CLP)

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

Supplemental information : Contains fluorinated greenhouse gases listed in Regulation 2024/573.

2.3. Other hazards

Asphyxiant in high concentrations.
Contact with liquid may cause cold burns/frostbite.
The substance/mixture has no endocrine disrupting properties.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substances

Name	Product identifier	%	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP] ATE, EUH-statements, M-Factors
Trifluoromethane (R23)	CAS-No.: 75-46-7 EC-No.: 200-872-4 EC Index-No.: --- REACH registration No: 01-2119971823-29	100	Press. Gas (Liq.), H280

Contains no other components or impurities which will influence the classification of the product.

3.2. Mixtures

Not applicable

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

- Inhalation : Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self contained breathing apparatus. Keep victim warm and rested. Call a doctor. Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation if breathing stopped.

- Skin contact	:	In case of frostbite spray with water for at least 15 minutes. Apply a sterile dressing. Obtain medical assistance.
- Eye contact	:	Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes.
- Ingestion	:	Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

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

In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Symptoms may include loss of mobility/consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation.
See section 11.

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. Product does not burn, use fire control measures appropriate for the surrounding fire.
- 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/explode.
Hazardous combustion products	:	Carbonyl fluoride. Carbon monoxide. Hydrogen fluoride.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Specific methods	:	Use fire control measures appropriate for the surrounding fire. Exposure to fire and heat radiation may cause gas receptacles to rupture. Cool endangered receptacles with water spray jet from a protected position. Prevent water used in emergency cases from entering sewers and drainage systems. If possible, stop flow of product. Use water spray or fog to knock down fire fumes if possible. Move containers away from the fire area if this can be done without risk.
Special protective equipment for fire fighters	:	In confined space use self-contained breathing apparatus. Standard protective clothing and equipment (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) for fire fighters. Standard EN 469 - Protective clothing for firefighters. Standard EN 659 - Protective gloves for firefighters. Standard EN 137 - Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full face mask.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

For non-emergency personnel : Act in accordance with local emergency plan.
Try to stop release.
Evacuate area.
Ensure adequate air ventilation.
Prevent from entering sewers, basements and workpits, or any place where its accumulation can be dangerous.
Stay upwind.
See section 8 of the SDS for more information on personal protective equipment.

For emergency responders : Wear self-contained breathing apparatus when entering area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe.
Oxygen detectors should be used when asphyxiating gases may be released.
See section 5.3 of the SDS for more information.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Try to stop release.

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 handling

Safe use of the product : Do not breathe gas.
Avoid release of product into work area.
The product must be handled in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures.
Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle gases under pressure.
Consider pressure relief device(s) in gas installations.
Ensure the complete gas system was (or is regularily) checked for leaks before use.
Do not smoke while handling product.
Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. Contact your gas supplier if in doubt.
Avoid suck back of water, acid and alkalis.

Safe handling of the gas receptacle : Refer to supplier's container handling instructions.
Do not allow backfeed into the container.
Protect containers from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop.
When moving cylinders, even for short distances, use a cart (trolley, hand truck, etc.) designed to transport cylinders.
Leave valve protection caps, when provided, in place until the container has been secured against either a wall or bench or placed in a container stand and is ready for use.
If user experiences any difficulty operating valve discontinue use and contact supplier.
Never attempt to repair or modify container valves or safety relief devices.
Damaged valves should be reported immediately to the supplier.
Keep container valve outlets clean and free from contaminants particularly oil and water.
Replace valve outlet caps or plugs and container caps where supplied as soon as container is disconnected from equipment.
Close container valve after each use and when empty, even if still connected to equipment.
Never attempt to transfer gases from one cylinder/container to another.
Never use direct flame or electrical heating devices to raise the pressure of a container.
Do not remove or deface labels provided by the supplier for the identification of the content of the container.
Suck back of water into the container must be prevented.
Open valve slowly to avoid pressure shock.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Observe all regulations and local requirements regarding storage of containers.
Containers should not be stored in conditions likely to encourage corrosion.
Container valve guards or caps, when provided, should be in place.
Containers should be stored in the vertical position and properly secured to prevent them from falling over.
Stored containers should be periodically checked for general condition and leakage.
Keep container below 50°C in a well ventilated place.
Store containers in location free from fire risk and away from sources of heat and ignition.
Keep away from combustible materials.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

None.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Trifluoromethane (R23) (75-46-7)	
DNEL: Derived no effect level (Workers)	
Long-term - systemic effects, inhalation	1439 mg/m³

Trifluoromethane (R23) (75-46-7)
PNEC: Predicted no effect concentration

Aqua (freshwater)	0.155 mg/l
Aqua (marine water)	0.016 mg/l
Aquatic, intermittent releases	1545 mg/l
Sediment, freshwater	0.665 mg/kg dwt
Soil, agricultural	0.043 mg/kg dwt

8.2. Exposure controls

8.2.1. Appropriate engineering controls

Provide adequate general and local exhaust ventilation.
Systems under pressure should be regularly checked for leakages.
Ensure exposure is below occupational exposure limits (where available).
Oxygen detectors should be used when asphyxiating gases may be released.
Consider the use of a work permit system e.g. for maintenance activities.

8.2.2. 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:
PPE compliant to the recommended EN/ISO standards should be selected.

• Eye/face protection : Wear goggles when transfilling or breaking transfer connections.
Standard EN 166 - Personal eye-protection - specifications.
Standard EN ISO 16321-1 - Eye and face protection for occupational use Part 1: General requirements.

• Skin protection

- Hand protection : Wear working gloves when handling gas containers.
Standard EN 388 - Protective gloves against mechanical risks, performance level 1 or higher.
Recommended types include wrist gloves from leather or synthetic material with equivalent performance, fabric gloves, fabric gloves with leather palms.
Wear cold insulating gloves when transfilling or breaking transfer connections.
Standard EN 511 - Cold insulating gloves, performance level 1 or higher. Recommended types include insulated gauntlets or gloves specifically selected to prevent liquid penetration and ingress of cryogenic liquids and to provide mechanical resistance.

- Other : Wear safety shoes while handling containers.
Standard EN ISO 20345 - Personal protective equipment - Safety footwear.

• Respiratory protection : Self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) or positive pressure airline with mask are to be used in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.
Self contained breathing apparatus is recommended, where unknown exposure may be expected, e.g. during maintenance activities on installation systems.
Standard EN 137 - Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full face mask.

• Thermal hazards : None in addition to the above sections.

8.2.3. Environmental exposure controls

Refer to local regulations for restriction of emissions to the atmosphere. See section 13 for specific methods for waste gas treatment.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance		
- Physical state at 20°C / 101.3kPa	:	Gas.
- Colour	:	Colourless.
Odour	:	Ethereal. Poor warning properties at low concentrations.
Melting point / Freezing point	:	-155 °C
Boiling point	:	-82.2 °C
Flammability	:	Non flammable.
Lower explosion limit	:	Not applicable.
Upper explosion limit	:	Not applicable.
Flash point	:	Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.
Auto-ignition temperature	:	Non flammable.
Decomposition temperature	:	Not applicable.
pH	:	Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.
Viscosity, kinematic	:	No reliable data available.
Water solubility [20°C]	:	1080 mg/l
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Kow)	:	0.64
Vapour pressure [20°C]	:	41.6 bar(a)
Vapour pressure [50°C]	:	Not applicable.
Density and/or relative density	:	Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.
Relative vapour density (air=1)	:	2.4
Particle characteristics	:	Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures. Nanoforms are not relevant for gases and gas mixtures.

9.2. Other information

9.2.1. Information with regard to physical hazard classes

Oxidising properties	:	No oxidising properties.
Critical temperature [°C]	:	25.6 °C

9.2.2. Other safety characteristics

Molar mass	:	70 g/mol
Other data	:	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

Avoid moisture in installation systems.

10.5. Incompatible materials

For additional information on compatibility refer to ISO 11114.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Acute toxicity	:	Toxicological effects not expected by inhalation from this product if occupational exposure limit values are not exceeded.
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.
Toxic for reproduction : Fertility	:	No known effects from this product.
Toxic for reproduction : unborn child	:	No known effects from this product.
STOT-single exposure	:	No known effects from this product.
STOT-repeated exposure	:	No known effects from this product.
Aspiration hazard	:	Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.

11.2. Information on other hazards

Other information	:	The substance/mixture has no endocrine disrupting properties.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Assessment	:	Classification criteria are not met.
EC50 48h - Daphnia magna [mg/l]	:	323 mg/l
EC50 72h - Algae [mg/l]	:	154 mg/l
LC50 96 h - Fish [mg/l]	:	633 mg/l

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Assessment	:	Study scientifically unjustified.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No additional information available

12.4. Mobility in soil

Assessment	:	Because of its high volatility, the product is unlikely to cause ground or water pollution. Partition into soil is unlikely.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Assessment : Not classified as PBT or vPvB.

12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

Assessment : The substance/mixture has no endocrine disrupting properties.

12.7. Other adverse effects

Other adverse effects : No known effects from this product.

Effect on the ozone layer : No effect on the ozone layer.

Global warming potential [CO2=1] : 14800

Effect on global warming : When discharged in large quantities may contribute to the greenhouse effect.
Contains fluorinated greenhouse gases listed in Regulation 2024/573.
For quantities refer to cylinder label.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Refer to supplier's waste gas recovery programme.
Contact supplier if guidance is required.
Discharge to atmosphere in large quantities should be avoided.
Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous.
Ensure that the emission levels from local regulations or operating permits are not exceeded.
Refer to the EIGA code of practice Doc.30 "Disposal of Gases", downloadable at http://www.eiga.eu for more guidance on suitable disposal methods.
Return unused product in original container to supplier.

List of hazardous waste codes (from Commission Decision 2000/532/EC as amended) : 14 06 01 *: Chlorofluorocarbons, HCFC, HFC.

13.2. Additional information

External treatment and disposal of waste should comply with applicable local and/or national regulations.

SECTION 14: Transport information

14.1. UN number or ID number

In accordance with ADR / RID / IMDG / IATA / ADN

UN-No. : 1984

14.2. UN proper shipping name

Transport by road/rail/inland waterways (ADR/RID/ADN)	:	TRIFLUOROMETHANE (REFRIGERANT GAS R 23)
Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)	:	Refrigerant gas R 23
Transport by sea (IMDG)	:	TRIFLUOROMETHANE (REFRIGERANT GAS R 23)

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Labelling :

2.2 : Non flammable, non-toxic gases.

Transport by road/rail/inland waterways (ADR/RID/ADN)

Class	:	2
Classification code	:	2A
Hazard identification number	:	20
Tunnel Restriction	:	C/E - Tank carriage : Passage forbidden through tunnels of category C, D and E. Other carriage : Passage forbidden through tunnels of category E

Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)

Class / Div. (Sub. risk(s))	:	2.2

Transport by sea (IMDG)

Class / Div. (Sub. risk(s))	:	2.2
Emergency Schedule (EmS) - Fire	:	F-C
Emergency Schedule (EmS) - Spillage	:	S-V

14.4. Packing group

Transport by road/rail/inland waterways (ADR/RID/ADN)	:	Not applicable.
Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)	:	Not applicable.
Transport by sea (IMDG)	:	Not applicable.

14.5. Environmental hazards

Transport by road/rail/inland waterways (ADR/RID/ADN)	:	None.
Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)	:	None.
Transport by sea (IMDG)	:	None.

14.6. Special precautions for user

Packing Instruction(s)

Transport by road/rail/inland waterways (ADR/RID/ADN)	:	P200.
Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)		
Passenger and Cargo Aircraft	:	200.
Cargo Aircraft only	:	200.
Transport by sea (IMDG)	:	P200.

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 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.

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.
Other information, restriction and prohibition regulations	:	(EU) 2024/573 : on fluorinated greenhouse gases and repealing Regulation (EC) No 517/2014. Not listed on the PIC list (Regulation EU 649/2012). Not listed on the POP list (Regulation EU 2019/1021).
Seveso Directive : 2012/18/EU (Seveso III)	:	Not covered.

National regulations

Water hazard class (WGK)	:	1 - Slightly hazardous to water.
Kenn-Nr.	:	4380
Regulatory reference	:	Ensure all national/local regulations are observed. Law on the Protection of Young People at Work (Jugendarbeitsschutzgesetz-JArbSchG) Ordinance on Industrial Safety and Health (BetrSichV) TRBS 3145/TRGS 745 - Transportable pressurized gas containers - Filling, holding, internal transport, emptying TRGS 510 - Storage of hazardous substances in transportable containers TRGS 407 - Activities with gases - Risk assessment TRBS 2141 - Hazards due to steam and pressure - General requirements The Ordinance on Installations for the Handling of Substances Hazardous to Water (AwSV) Storage class according to TRGS 510: 2A Gases (without aerosol dispensers and lighters) Technical Instructions on Air Quality Control (TA Luft). Classification for storage according to TRGS 510: 2A Gase (ohne Aerosolpackungen und Feuerzeuge).

15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A CSA has been carried out.

SECTION 16: Other information

Indication of changes	:	Revised safety data sheet in accordance with commission regulation (EU) No 2020/878.

Abbreviations and acronyms : ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate.
CLP - Classification Labelling Packaging Regulation; Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008.
REACH - Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006.
EINECS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.
CAS# - Chemical Abstract Service number.
PPE - Personal Protection Equipment.
LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population.
RMM - Risk Management Measures.
PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic.
vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative.
STOT- SE : Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure.
CSA - Chemical Safety Assessment.
EN - European Standard.
UN - United Nations.
ADR - Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road.
IATA - International Air Transport Association.
IMDG code - International Maritime Dangerous Goods.
RID - Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail.
WGK - Water Hazard Class.
STOT - RE : Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure.
UFI : Unique Formula Identifier.

Training advice : The hazard of asphyxiation is often overlooked and must be stressed during operator training.
For more guidance, refer to EIGA SL 01 “Dangers of Asphyxiation”, downloadable at http://www.eiga.eu..

Further information : Classification in accordance with the procedures and calculation methods of Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 (CLP).
Key literature references and sources of data are maintained in EIGA Doc 169 : 'Classification and Labelling Guide', downloadable at http://www.Eiga.eu .

Full text of H- and EUH-statements	
Press. Gas (Liq.)	Gases under pressure : Liquefied gas
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