

Helium, compressed

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Product

- Colourless, odourless, compressed gas

Nature of hazard

- The gas is suffocating without warning
- Heating will cause pressure rise, severe risk of bursting and subsequent explosion

PPE for vehicle crew

- Suitable eye protection
- For loose cylinders
- Leather or thick textile gloves
- Protective boots

Emergency Actions by driver

Notify Police and Fire Brigade *immediately* then:

Do

- Move vehicle to open ground, where practical
- Stop engine, isolate electrics
- Keep public away from danger
- Keep upwind
- Advise and assist Emergency Services

Do not

- Allow naked lights (possibility of spilled fuel)
- Smoke (possibility of spilled fuel)
- Attempt to deal with any fire involving the load, but minor vehicle fires should be tackled with the vehicle fire extinguishers, if safe to do so

Emergency Information (Driver and Emergency Services)

First Aid

- Seek medical treatment when anyone has symptoms apparently due to inhalation

Emergency Services Information

PPE

- Emergency Services as per vehicle crew. Emergency Action Code requires breathing apparatus

Fire

- Keep load cool by spraying with water - significant risk of catastrophic failure due to increasing pressure when exposed to fire
- Keep personnel away and upwind

Spillage

- Shut off leaks, if safe to do so
- Keep personnel away and upwind

Emergency telephone number

UK: 0500 020202

Republic of Ireland: 01 4566526