

# Methane, compressed

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## Product

- Colourless, odourless, compressed gas

## Nature of hazard

- Highly flammable, may form explosive mixture with air
- Heating will cause pressure rise, severe risk of bursting and subsequent explosion
- The gas is suffocating without warning

## 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
- Smoke
- 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 or burns

## 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
- Do not extinguish a leaking gas flame unless absolutely necessary. Consult an expert. Extinguish any other secondary fires

### Spillage

- Keep personnel away and upwind
- Remove, or make safe, all sources of ignition
- Shut off leaks, if safe to do so
- Use low sparking hand tools and explosion-proof electrical equipment

## Emergency telephone number

**UK: 0500 020202**

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