

## *iSi Components* Material Safety Data Sheet

### 1. Chemical Product and Company Identification

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| <b>Product Name:</b> Carbon dioxide (compressed) |  | <b>Trade Name:</b> Carbon dioxide   |
| <b>Chemical Name:</b> Carbon dioxide             |  | <b>Synonyms:</b> Carbonic anhydride, carbonic acid gas  |
| <b>Formula:</b> CO <sub>2</sub>                  |  | <b>Chemical Family:</b> Acid anhydrides   |
| <b>Telephone:</b>                                | <b>Emergencies:</b> 1-800-424-9300*<br><b>Routine:</b> 1-973-227-2426* | <b>Company Name:</b> <i>iSi North America, Inc.</i><br>175 Route 46 West<br>Fairfield, NJ 07004 |

\* Call emergency numbers 24 hours a day only for spills, leaks, fire, exposure, or accidents involving this product. For routine information, contact *iSi Components* or call the number above.

### 2. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Carbon dioxide is supplied in cylinders as a liquid under its own vapor pressure, which varies depending on the temperature. It is non-toxic, non-flammable and heavier than air. Cylinders range in size from 10 ml. to 350 ml.

| INGREDIENT     | CAS NUMBER | CONCENTRATION | OSHA PEL   | ACGIH TLV-TWA |
|----------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| Carbon Dioxide | 124-38-9   | >99%          | 5,000 ppm* | 5,000 ppm**   |

\* The symbol > means "greater than"; the symbol <, "less than."

\*\* See following section.

### 3. Hazards Identification

#### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

**CAUTION! High-pressure liquid and gas.**

**Can cause rapid suffocation.**

**Can increase respiration and heart rate.**

**May cause nervous system damage.**

**May cause frostbite.**

**May cause dizziness and drowsiness.**

**Self-contained breathing apparatus may be required by rescue workers.**

**Odor: None to slightly pungent**

**THRESHOLD LIMIT VALUE:** TLV-TWA, 5,000 ppm (ACGIH, 1998). TLV-TWA, 15 min STEL, 30,000 ppm.

**EFFECTS OF A SINGLE (ACUTE) OVEREXPOSURE:**

**INHALATION**—Carbon dioxide gas is an asphyxiant with effects due to lack of oxygen. It is also physiologically active, affecting circulation and breathing. Moderate concentrations may cause headache, drowsiness, dizziness, stinging of the nose and throat, excitation, rapid breathing and heart rate, excess salivation, vomiting, and unconsciousness. Lack of oxygen can kill.

**SKIN CONTACT**—No harm expected from vapor. Cold gas, or liquid or solid carbon dioxide may cause severe frostbite.

**SWALLOWING**—An unlikely route of exposure. This product is a gas at normal temperature and pressure.

**EYE CONTACT**—No harm expected from vapor. Cold gas, or liquid or solid carbon dioxide may cause severe frostbite.

**EFFECTS OF REPEATED (CHRONIC) OVEREXPOSURE:** No harm expected.

**OTHER EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE:** Damage to retinal or ganglion cells and central nervous system may occur.

**MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED BY OVEREXPOSURE:** The toxicology and the physical and chemical properties of carbon dioxide suggest that overexposure is unlikely to aggravate existing medical conditions.

**SIGNIFICANT LABORATORY DATA WITH POSSIBLE RELEVANCE TO HUMAN HEALTH HAZARD EVALUATION:** A single study has shown an increase in heart defects in rats exposed to 6% carbon dioxide in air for 24 hours at different times during gestation. There is no evidence that carbon dioxide is teratogenic in humans.

**CARCINOGENICITY:** Carbon dioxide is not listed by NTP, OSHA, or IARC.

**4. First Aid Measures**

**INHALATION:** Immediately remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, qualified personnel may give oxygen. Call a physician.

**SKIN CONTACT:** For exposure to cold vapor or solid, immediately warm frostbite area with warm water not to exceed 105°F (41°C). In case of massive exposure, remove contaminated clothing while showering with warm water. Call a physician.

**SWALLOWING:** An unlikely route of exposure. This product is a gas at normal temperature and pressure.

**EYE CONTACT:** For exposure to cold vapor or solid, immediately flush eyes thoroughly with warm water for at least 15 minutes. Hold the eyelids open and away from the eyeballs to ensure that all surfaces are flushed thoroughly. See a physician, preferably an ophthalmologist, immediately.

**NOTES TO PHYSICIAN:** *There is no specific antidote. Treatment of overexposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient.*

**5. Fire Fighting Measures**

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| <b>FLASH POINT<br/>(test method)</b>            | Not applicable | <b>AUTOIGNITION<br/>TEMPERATURE</b> | Not applicable              |
| <b>FLAMMABLE LIMITS<br/>IN AIR, % by volume</b> | <b>LOWER</b>   | Not applicable                      | <b>UPPER</b> Not applicable |

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Carbon dioxide cannot catch fire. Use media appropriate for surrounding fire.

**SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES: CAUTION! High-pressure gas liquid and gas.** Evacuate all personnel from danger area. Immediately deluge cylinders with water from maximum distance until cool, then move them away from fire area if without risk. Self-contained breathing apparatus may be required by rescue workers. On-site fire brigades must comply with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.156.

**UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** Heat of fire can build pressure in cylinder and cause it to rupture. No part of cylinder should be subjected to a temperature higher than 125°F (52°C). Carbon dioxide cylinders are equipped with a pressure relief device. (Exceptions may exist where authorized by DOT.)

**HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:** None known.

## 6. Accidental Release Measures

**STEPS TO BE TAKEN IF MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED: CAUTION! High-pressure liquid and gas.** Carbon dioxide is an asphyxiant. Lack of oxygen can kill. Evacuate all personnel from danger area. Use self-contained breathing apparatus where needed. Shut off leak if you can do so without risk. Ventilate area or move cylinder to a well-ventilated area. Test for sufficient oxygen, especially in confined spaces, before allowing reentry.

**WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD:** Prevent waste from contaminating the surrounding environment. Keep personnel away. Discard any product, residue, disposable container, or liner in an environmentally acceptable manner, in full compliance with federal, state, and local regulations. If necessary, call your local supplier for assistance.

## 7. Handling and Storage

**PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN STORAGE:** Store and use with adequate ventilation. Firmly secure cylinders upright to keep them from falling or being knocked over. Screw valve protection cap firmly in place by hand. Store only where temperature will not exceed 125°F (52°C). Store full and empty cylinders separately. Use a first-in, first-out inventory system to prevent storing full cylinders for long periods.

**PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING:** Protect cylinders from damage. Use a suitable hand truck to move cylinders; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. Never attempt to lift a cylinder by its cap; the cap is intended solely to protect the valve. Never insert an object (e.g., wrench, screwdriver, pry bar) into cap openings; doing so may damage the valve and cause a leak. Use an adjustable strap wrench to remove over-tight or rusted caps. Open valve slowly. If valve is hard to open, discontinue use and contact your supplier. Never apply flame or localized heat directly to any part of the cylinder. High temperatures may damage the cylinder and could cause the pressure relief device to fail prematurely, venting the cylinder contents. For other precautions in using carbon dioxide, see section 16.

For additional information on storage and handling, refer to Compressed Gas Association (CGA) pamphlet P-1, *Safe Handling of Compressed Gases in Containers*, available from the CGA.

## 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### VENTILATION/ENGINEERING CONTROLS:

**LOCAL EXHAUST**—Use a local exhaust system, if necessary, to control the concentration of carbon dioxide in the worker's breathing zone.

**MECHANICAL (general)**—Under certain conditions, general exhaust ventilation may be acceptable to keep carbon dioxide below the exposure limit.

**SPECIAL**—None

**OTHER**—None

**RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:** None required under normal use. An air-supplied respirator must be used in confined spaces. Respiratory protection must conform to OSHA rules as specified in 29 CFR 1910.134.

**SKIN PROTECTION:** Wear insulated neoprene gloves for cylinder handling

**EYE PROTECTION:** Select in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.133.

**OTHER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:** Metatarsal shoes for cylinder handling. Select in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.132 and 1910.133.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

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| <b>MOLECULAR WEIGHT:</b>                                       | 44.01  |
| <b>SPECIFIC GRAVITY</b> (Air = 1) at 70°F (21.1°C) and 1 atm:  | 1.522  |
| <b>GAS DENSITY</b> at 70°F (21.1°C) and 1 atm:                 | 0.1444 lb/ft <sup>3</sup> (1.833 kg/m <sup>3</sup> ) |
| <b>LIQUID DENSITY</b> (saturated) at 70°F (21.1°C) and 1 atm:  | 47.6 lb/ft <sup>3</sup> (762 kg/m <sup>3</sup> )     |
| <b>VAPOR PRESSURE</b> at 70°F (21.1°C):                        | 838 psig (5778 kPa)                                  |
| <b>SOLUBILITY IN WATER</b> , vol/vol at 68°F (20°C) and 1 atm: | 0.90   |
| <b>PERCENT VOLATILES BY VOLUME:</b>                            | 100  |
| <b>EVAPORATION RATE</b> (Butyl Acetate = 1):                   | High   |
| <b>pH:</b>   | 3.7 (for carbonic acid)                              |
| <b>SUBLIMATION POINT</b> at 1 atm:                             | -109.3°F (-78.5°C)                                   |

**APPEARANCE, ODOR, AND STATE:** Colorless, odorless, slightly acid gas. It is felt by some to have a slight, pungent odor and biting taste.

**10. Stability and Reactivity**

**STABILITY:**  Unstable  Stable

**INCOMPATIBILITY (materials to avoid):** Alkali metals, alkaline earth metals, metal acetylides, chromium, titanium above 1022°F (550°C), uranium above 1382°F (750°C), magnesium above 1427°F (775°C)

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** Electrical discharges and high temperatures decompose carbon dioxide into carbon monoxide and oxygen.

**HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:**  May Occur  Will Not Occur

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** None known.

**11. Toxicological Information**

Carbon dioxide is an asphyxiant. It initially stimulates respiration and then causes respiratory depression. High concentrations result in narcosis. Symptoms in humans are as follows:

| <u>EFFECT:</u>  | <u>CONCENTRATION:</u> |
|---|-----------------------|
| Breathing rate increases slightly.  | 1%                    |
| Breathing rate increases to 50% above normal level. Prolonged exposure can cause headache, tiredness.   | 2%                    |
| Breathing increases to twice normal rate and becomes labored. Weak narcotic effect. Impaired hearing, headache, increased blood pressure and pulse rate.  | 3%                    |
| Breathing increases to approximately four times normal rate, symptoms of intoxication become evident, and slight choking may be felt.   | 4 - 5%                |
| Characteristic sharp odor noticeable. Very labored breathing, headache, visual impairment, and ringing in the ears. Judgment may be impaired, followed within minutes by loss of consciousness. | 5 - 10%               |
| Unconsciousness occurs more rapidly above 10% level. Prolonged exposure to high concentrations may eventually result in death from asphyxiation.  | 50 - 100%             |

**12. Ecological Information**

No adverse ecological effects expected. Carbon dioxide does not contain any Class I or Class II ozone-depleting chemicals. Carbon dioxide is not listed as a marine pollutant by DOT.

**13. Disposal Considerations**

**WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD:** Do not attempt to dispose of residual or unused quantities. Return cylinder to supplier.

**14. Transport Information**

**DOT/IMO SHIPPING NAME:** Carbon dioxide

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| <b>HAZARD CLASS:</b> 2.2                         | <b>IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:</b> UN 1013 | <b>PRODUCT RQ:</b> Not applicable |
| <b>SHIPPING LABEL(s):</b> NONFLAMMABLE GAS       |                                       |                                   |
| <b>PLACARD (when required):</b> NONFLAMMABLE GAS |                                       |                                   |

**SPECIAL SHIPPING INFORMATION:** Cylinders should be transported in a secure position, in a well-ventilated vehicle. Cylinders transported in an enclosed, nonventilated compartment of a vehicle can present serious safety hazards.

Shipment of compressed gas cylinders that have been filled without the owner's consent is a violation of federal law [49 CFR 173.301(b)].

**15. Regulatory Information**

The following selected regulatory requirements may apply to this product. Not all such requirements are identified. Users of this product are solely responsible for compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

**U.S. FEDERAL REGULATIONS:**

**EPA (ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY)**

**CERCLA:** COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT OF 1980 (40 CFR Parts 117 and 302):

**Reportable Quantity (RQ):** None

**SARA:** SUPERFUND AMENDMENT AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT:

**SECTIONS 302/304:** Require emergency planning based on Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ) and release reporting based on Reportable Quantities (RQ) of extremely hazardous substances (40 CFR Part 355):

**Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ):** None

**Extremely Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 355):** None

**SECTIONS 311/312:** Require submission of MSDSs and reporting of chemical inventories with identification of EPA hazard categories. The hazard categories for this product are as follows:

**IMMEDIATE:** Yes

**PRESSURE:** Yes

**DELAYED:** No

**REACTIVITY:** No

**FIRE:** No

**SECTION 313:** Requires submission of annual reports of release of toxic chemicals that appear in 40 CFR Part 372.

Carbon dioxide does not require reporting under Section 313.

**40 CFR 68: RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR CHEMICAL ACCIDENTAL RELEASE PREVENTION:** Requires development and implementation of risk management programs at facilities that manufacture, use, store, or otherwise handle regulated substances in quantities that exceed specified thresholds.

Carbon dioxide is not listed as a regulated substance.

**TSCA:** TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT: Carbon dioxide is listed on the TSCA inventory.

**OSHA:** OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION:

**29 CFR 1910.119:** PROCESS SAFETY MANAGEMENT OF HIGHLY HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS: Requires facilities to develop a process safety management program based on Threshold Quantities (TQ) of highly hazardous chemicals.

Carbon dioxide is not listed in Appendix A as a highly hazardous chemical.

**STATE REGULATIONS:**

**CALIFORNIA:** Carbon dioxide is not listed by California under the SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (Proposition 65). ).

**WARNING:** The combustion of this gas produces carbon monoxide—a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

*(California Health and Safety Code §25249.5.)*

**PENNSYLVANIA:** Carbon dioxide is subject to the PENNSYLVANIA WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT-TO-KNOW ACT (35 P.S. Sections 7301-7320).

**16. Other Information**

**HAZARD RATING SYSTEMS:**

• **NFPA RATINGS:**

**HMIS RATINGS:**

HEALTH = 1  
FLAMMABILITY = 0

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REACTIVITY = 0  
SPECIAL = SA

REACTIVITY = 0  
(CGA recommends this to designate Simple Asphyxiant)