


**Opteon™ XP44 (R-452A) Refrigerant**

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**SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product name	:	Opteon™ XP44 (R-452A) Refrigerant
Tradename/Synonym	:	Opteon (TM) 452A R-452A 452A XP44
Product Grade/Type	:	ASHRAE Refrigerant Number Designation: R-452A
Product Use	:	Refrigerant, For professional users only.
Restrictions on use	:	Consumer use
Supplier	:	Refrigeration Specialties Ltd 181a Station Rd, Penrose Auckland 1061
Product Information	:	1-844-773-CHEM (outside the U.S. 1-302-773-1000) NZ 021996003
Medical Emergency	:	1-866-595-1473 (outside the U.S. 1-302-773-2000) <b>NZ 021996003</b>
Transport Emergency	:	CHEMTREC: +1-800-424-9300 (outside the U.S. +1-703-527-3887) NZ 021996003

**SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**
**Product hazard category**

Gases under pressure

Liquefied gas

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**Label content**

Pictogram :



Signal word : Warning

Hazardous warnings : Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Hazardous prevention measures : Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

**Other hazards**

Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing., Rapid evaporation of the liquid may cause frostbite., Misuse or intentional inhalation abuse may cause death without warning symptoms, due to cardiac effects., May cause cardiac arrhythmia.

**SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Component	CAS-No.	Concentration
Pentafluoroethane (HFC-125)	354-33-6	59 %
2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene (HFO-1234yf)	754-12-1	30 %

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Difluoromethane (HFC-32)	75-10-5	11 %
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### **SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

- General advice : When symptoms persist or in all cases of doubt seek medical advice.
- Inhalation : Remove from exposure, lie down. Move to fresh air. Keep patient warm and at rest. Artificial respiration and/or oxygen may be necessary. Consult a physician.
- Skin contact : Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Flush area with lukewarm water. Do not use hot water. If frostbite has occurred, call a physician.
- Eye contact : Hold eyelids apart and flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
- Ingestion : Is not considered a potential route of exposure.
- Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed : Anaesthetic effects Light-headedness irregular heartbeat with a strange sensation in the chest, heart thumping, apprehension, feeling of fainting, dizziness or weakness
- Protection of first-aiders : If potential for exposure exists refer to Section 8 for specific personal protective equipment.
- Notes to physician : Because of possible disturbances of cardiac rhythm, catecholamine drugs, such as epinephrine, that may be used in situations of emergency life support should be used with special caution.

### **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

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- Suitable extinguishing media : Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment., Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
- Unsuitable extinguishing media : No applicable data available.
- Specific hazards : The product is not flammable.
- Special protective equipment for firefighters : In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Use personal protective equipment. Wear neoprene gloves during cleaning up work after a fire.
- Further information : Cool containers/tanks with water spray.

### **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

NOTE: Review FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES and HANDLING (PERSONNEL) sections before proceeding with clean-up. Use appropriate PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT during clean-up.

- Safeguards (Personnel) : Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ventilate area, especially low or enclosed places where heavy vapours might collect. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.
- Environmental precautions : Should not be released into the environment.
- Spill Cleanup : Evaporates.
- Accidental Release Measures : Avoid open flames and high temperatures. Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) is required if a large release occurs.

### **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

- Handling (Personnel) : Avoid breathing vapours or mist. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

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Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work rooms. For personal protection see section 8.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Handling (Physical Aspects) : The product should not be mixed with air for leak testing or used with air for any other purpose above atmospheric pressure. Contact with chlorine or other strong oxidizing agents should also be avoided.

Dust explosion class : Not applicable

Storage : Do not drag, slide or roll cylinders. Never attempt to lift cylinder by its cap. Use a check valve or trap in the discharge line to prevent hazardous back flow into the cylinder. Keep at temperature not exceeding 52°C. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect from contamination. Protect cylinders from damage. Keep away from direct sunlight. Store only in approved containers.  
The product has an indefinite shelf life when stored properly.

Storage period : > 10 yr

Storage temperature : < 52 °C (< 126 °F)

### **SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Engineering controls : Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : For rescue and maintenance work in storage tanks use self-contained breathing apparatus. Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing.

Hand protection : Additional protection: Impervious gloves

Eye protection : Wear safety glasses or coverall chemical splash goggles. Additionally wear a face shield where the possibility exists for face contact due to splashing, spraying or airborne contact with this material.

Skin and body protection : Where there is potential for skin contact have available and wear as appropriate impervious gloves, apron, pants, and jacket.

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Exposure Guidelines  
Exposure Limit Values

no data available

This product does not contain any exposure limits that require disclosure according to OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 2012.

### **SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Appearance

Physical state : gaseous  
Form : Liquefied gas  
Color : clear, colourless

Odor : slight, ether-like

Odor threshold : No applicable data available.

pH : neutral

Melting point/range : No applicable data available.

Boiling point/boiling range : Boiling point  
< -47.00 °C (-52.60 °F)

Flash point : does not flash

Evaporation rate : > 1  
(CCL4=1.0)

Flammability (solid, gas) : The product is not flammable.

Upper explosion limit : Method: None per ASTM E681

Lower explosion limit : Method: None per ASTM E681

Vapor pressure : 13,159 hPa at 25 °C (77 °F)

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Vapor density	: 3.64 at 25 °C (77 °F) (Air = 1.0)
Specific gravity (Relative density)	: 1.13 at 25 °C (77 °F)
Water solubility	: No applicable data available.
Solubility(ies)	: No applicable data available.
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	: No applicable data available.
Auto-ignition temperature	: No applicable data available.
Decomposition temperature	: No applicable data available.
Viscosity, kinematic	: No applicable data available.
Viscosity, dynamic	: No applicable data available.
% Volatile	: 100 %

### **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity	: Decomposes on heating.
Chemical stability	: The product is chemically stable under recommended conditions of storage, use and temperature.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	: Polymerization will not occur.
Conditions to avoid	: Avoid open flames and high temperatures.
Incompatible materials	: Strong bases Alkaline earth metals finely divided metal powders such as, Aluminium, Magnesium, Zinc, or strong oxidizers

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Hazardous decomposition products : Decomposition products are hazardous., This material can be decomposed by high temperatures (open flames, glowing metal surfaces, etc.) forming hydrofluoric acid and possibly carbonyl fluoride., These materials are toxic and irritating., Avoid contact with decomposition products

### **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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Further information : Avoid skin contact with leaking liquid (danger of frostbite).May cause cardiac arrhythmia.

Pentafluoroethane (HFC-125)  
Inhalation 4 h LC50 : > 800000 ppm , Rat

Inhalation No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration : 75000 ppm , Dog  
Cardiac sensitization

Inhalation Low Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (LOAEC) : 100000 ppm , Dog  
Cardiac sensitization

Skin sensitization : Does not cause respiratory sensitisation., human

Repeated dose toxicity : Inhalation  
Rat  
-  
gas  
No toxicologically significant effects were found.

Carcinogenicity : Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.  
Overall weight of evidence indicates that the substance is not carcinogenic.

Mutagenicity : Animal testing did not show any mutagenic effects.  
Evidence suggests this substance does not cause genetic damage in cultured mammalian cells.  
Did not cause genetic damage in cultured bacterial cells.

Reproductive toxicity : No toxicity to reproduction  
Animal testing showed no reproductive toxicity.



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Teratogenicity : Animal testing showed no developmental toxicity.

### 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene (HFO-1234yf)

Inhalation 4 h LC50 : > 405000 ppm , Rat

Inhalation Low Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (LOAEC) : > 120000 ppm , Dog  
Cardiac sensitization

Inhalation No Observed Adverse Effect Concentration : 120000 ppm , Dog  
Cardiac sensitization

Skin irritation : No skin irritation, Not tested on animals  
Not expected to cause skin irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.

Eye irritation : No eye irritation, Not tested on animals  
Not expected to cause eye irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.

Skin sensitization : Not tested on animals  
Not expected to cause sensitization based on expert review of the properties of the substance.

There are no reports of human respiratory sensitization.

Repeated dose toxicity : Inhalation  
Rat  
-  
gas  
NOAEL: 233 mg/l, 50,000 ppm,  
No toxicologically significant effects were found.

Inhalation  
Rabbit  
-  
gas  
NOAEL: 2.33 mg/l, 500 ppm,  
No toxicological effects warranting significant target organ toxicity classification were seen below the recommended guidance values for

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classification.

Inhalation

Mini-pig

-

gas

NOAEL: 50 mg/l, 10,000 ppm,

No toxicologically significant effects were found.

Carcinogenicity : Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.  
Sufficient data are available to conclude that the substance is not expected to be carcinogenic.

Mutagenicity : Animal testing did not show any mutagenic effects.  
Did not cause genetic damage in cultured mammalian cells.  
Experiments showed mutagenic effects in cultured bacterial cells.

Reproductive toxicity : No toxicity to reproduction  
Animal testing showed no reproductive toxicity.

Teratogenicity : Animal testing showed effects on embryo-fetal development at levels equal to or above those causing maternal toxicity.

Difluoromethane (HFC-32)

Inhalation 4 h LC50 : > 520000 ppm , Rat

Inhalation Low Observed Adverse Effect : > 350000 ppm , Dog  
Cardiac sensitization

Concentration (LOAEC) Inhalation No Observed Adverse Effect : 350000 ppm , Dog  
Cardiac sensitization

Concentration Skin irritation : No skin irritation, Not tested on animals  
Not expected to cause skin irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.

Eye irritation : No eye irritation, Not tested on animals  
Not expected to cause eye irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.

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- Skin sensitization : Does not cause skin sensitisation., Not tested on animals  
Not expected to cause sensitization based on expert review of the properties of the substance.  
  
There are no reports of human respiratory sensitization.
- Repeated dose toxicity : Inhalation  
Rat  
-  
No toxicologically significant effects were found.
- Mutagenicity : Animal testing did not show any mutagenic effects.  
Tests on bacterial or mammalian cell cultures did not show mutagenic effects.
- Reproductive toxicity : No toxicity to reproduction  
Animal testing showed no reproductive toxicity.  
Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.
- Teratogenicity : Animal testing showed no developmental toxicity.

### Carcinogenicity

The carcinogenicity classifications for this product and/or its ingredients have been determined according to HazCom 2012, Appendix A.6. The classifications may differ from those listed in the National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens (latest edition) or those found to be a potential carcinogen in the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) Monographs (latest edition).

None of the components present in this material at concentrations equal to or greater than 0.1% are listed by IARC, NTP, or OSHA, as a carcinogen.

## **SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### Aquatic Toxicity

Pentafluoroethane (HFC-125)

96 h LC50

- : Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) 450 mg/l  
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- 96 h ErC50 : Algae 142 mg/l  
Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.
- 72 h NOEC : Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae) 13.2 mg/l  
Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.
- 48 h EC50 : Daphnia magna (Water flea) 980 mg/l  
Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.

### 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene (HFO-1234yf)

- 96 h LC50 : Cyprinus carpio (Carp) > 197 mg/l
- 72 h NOEC : Algae > 100 mg/l
- 48 h EC50 : Daphnia magna (Water flea) > 100 mg/l

### Difluoromethane (HFC-32)

- 96 h LC50 : Fish 1,507 mg/l
- 96 h EC50 : Algae 142 mg/l
- 48 h EC50 : Daphnia (water flea) 652 mg/l
- 30 d : NOEC Fish (unspecified species) 65.8 mg/l

### Environmental Fate

#### Difluoromethane (HFC-32)

- Biodegradability : 5 % OECD Test Guideline 301D  
Not readily biodegradable.

- Additional ecological information : IPCC - AR4 (Fourth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) - 2007

## **SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- Waste disposal methods - Product : Can be used after re-conditioning. If re-conditioning is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations.

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Contaminated packaging : Empty pressure vessels should be returned to the supplier.

### **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

DOT	UN number	: 1078
	Proper shipping name	: Refrigerant gases, n.o.s. (Pentafluoroethane, 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene)
	Class	: 2.2
	Labelling No.	: 2.2
IATA_C	UN number	: 1078
	Proper shipping name	: Refrigerant gas, n.o.s. (Pentafluoroethane, 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene)
	Class	: 2.2
	Labelling No.	: 2.2
IMDG	UN number	: 1078
	Proper shipping name	: REFRIGERANT GAS, N.O.S. (Pentafluoroethane, 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene)
	Class	: 2.2
	Labelling No.	: 2.2

### **SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA 5E	: This material contains one or more substances which are subject to a TSCA Section 5 Consent Order or Significant New Use Rule (SNUR).
	: 2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene PMN Number: P-07-0601 (Honeywell)
TSCA 12B	This material contains one or more substances which requires export notification under TSCA Section 12(b) and 40 CFR Part 707 Subpart D:

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2,3,3,3-Tetrafluoropropene  
PMN Number: P-07-0601 (Honeywell)

The approved uses are: refrigerant in motor vehicle air conditioning systems.

Processors and users of this substance must also comply with the applicable general SNUR requirements set forth in 40 CFR 721 subpart A, including export notification requirements if applicable (40 CFR 721.20), and the applicable record keeping requirements set forth at 40 CFR 721.125.

Contact your local Chemours sales or technical representative for more information.

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| SARA 313 Regulated Chemical(s)         | : This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.                 |
| PA Right to Know Regulated Chemical(s) | : Substances on the Pennsylvania Hazardous Substances List present at a concentration of 1% or more (0.01% for Special Hazardous Substances): Difluoromethane                                       |
| NJ Right to Know Regulated Chemical(s) | : Substances on the New Jersey Workplace Hazardous Substance List present at a concentration of 1% or more (0.1% for substances identified as carcinogens, mutagens or teratogens): Difluoromethane |
| California Prop. 65                    | : Chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or any other harm: none known   |

### **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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