

## **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

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### **1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product Name: Refrigerant Gas (R-32)  
 Synonyms: HFC-32, Akashifron-32  
 Manufacturer: East Asia Enviro Sdn. Bhd.  
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 Emergency Phone: 60-4-5057883 (Office Hour)

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### **2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Classification of the: Gases under pressure, liquefied gas  
 substance / mixture



Label Elements:

Hazard statements: H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.  
 H220: Extremely flammable gas

Storage Precautionary: P210 + P403  
 statements Protect from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces-No Smoking.  
 Store in a well-ventilated location.

Other hazards: Vapors are heavier than air and may cause suffocation due to  
 depletion of oxygen necessary for breathing.

Cylinders may rupture under fire conditions. Decomposition may  
 occur.

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

Chemical Name: Difluoromethane  
 Chemical Formula: CH<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>Chemical Formula</u>	<u>CAS No.</u>	<u>EC No.</u>	<u>Typical Wt %</u>
Difluoromethane	CH <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub>	75-10-5	200-839-4	100

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### **4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

#### **4.1 Eyes:**

In the event of contact with eye/eyes, eye irritation or blurring of vision may occur.

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**Measures:** Flush affected eye/eyes with running water for at least 15 minutes. If a contact lens is in place, remove it immediately or whenever able to. Use physiological saline if readily available. Keep affected eyelid/s open to allow evaporation of product. Consult an ophthalmologist in case of persistent ailment, seek medical attention if necessary.

### **4.2 Skin:**

In the event of contact with skin, liquid may cause frostbite. Prolonged overexposure may cause de- fatting or dryness to affected skin area.

**Measures:** If in case of contact, allow evaporation of product before flushing affected area with lukewarm water. Do not use hot water. Contact a physician in case of persistent ailment, seek medical attention if necessary.

### **4.3 Inhalation:**

Inhalation of high concentration of vapor is harmful and may cause heart irregularities, unconsciousness or death. Intentional misuse or deliberate inhalation may cause death without warning. Prolonged direct exposures may lead to temporary alteration of the heart's electrical activity with irregular pulse, palpitations, or inadequate circulation. Gross exposure may be fatal.

Individuals with pre-existing diseases of the central nervous or cardiovascular system may have increased susceptibility to the toxicity of excessive exposures.

Inhalation may include temporary nervous systems disorders such as depression. Other anesthetic effects such as dizziness, headache, confusion, in-coordination and loss of consciousness may also occur.

**Measures:** If in the event of inhalation, immediately evacuate affected personnel to open air area with sufficient fresh air. If not possible to access personnel, do not attempt aid unless personal breathing apparatus is available. Artificial ventilation by blowers or fans may be required. If affected personnel is conscious, try to keep personnel clam. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If difficulty in breathing is observed, give oxygen if available. Seek medical attention if necessary.

**4.4 Ingestion:** If in the remote event of accidental ingestion, seek immediate medical attention.

**4.5 Notes to Physicians:** This material may cause heart to be more susceptible to conditions such as Arrhythmias. Catecholamine such as adrenaline and other compounds having similar effects are advised to be reserved for emergencies and only to be used with exceptional caution.

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## **5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

Upper, Flammable Limits in Air (% by volume): 33.4 %

Lower, Flammable Limits in Air (% by volume): 12.7 %

Flash point: Gas, Not applicable per DOT regulations

Auto-ignition Temperature: Unknown

### **Extinguishing Media:**

Use extinguishing media appropriate to extinguish or contain fire conditions.

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### **Specific Hazards:**

Contact of welding or soldering torch flame with high concentrations of refrigerant can result in visible changes in the size and color of torch flames. This flame effect will only occur in concentrations of product well above the recommended exposure limit, therefore stop all work and ventilate to disperse refrigerant vapor from work area before using any open flame.

R-32 is not flammable at ambient temperatures and atmospheric pressure. However, this material will become combustible when mixed with air under pressure and exposed to strong ignition sources. Contact with certain reactive metals may result in formation of explosive or exothermic reactions under specific conditions.  
(e.g. very high temperatures and/or appropriate pressures).

### **Protection Actions For Fire Fighting Instructions:**

Use water spray or fog to cool containers. Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) is required if cylinders rupture or contents are released under fire conditions. Water runoff should be contained and neutralized prior to release.

### **Other Precautions**

If safe to do so, remove the exposed containers, or cool with water.  
If under fire conditions, avoid unnecessary proximity, maintain safe evacuation distance. Only attempt to ventilate and clean the rooms if there is no imminent danger present.

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## **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE**

### **MEASURES Personal Precautions:**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
Do not smoke or light any open flames.  
Do not breathe in the vapors.  
Review firefighting measures given in section 5 before proceeding with clean up.  
Use appropriate personal protective equipment.  
Work from upwind, if possible.

### **Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:**

Prevent the product from spreading into the environment. Shut off the source of R-32. Ventilate spillage area, especially low or enclosed places where heavy vapors may collect and concentrate. Restrict access to the area until completion of the clean-up procedure.  
Let the product evaporate.  
Remove open flames.  
Use self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for large spills or releases.

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## **7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### **Precaution for Safe Handling:**

Avoid inhalation of vapors. Avoid liquid contact with eyes and skin. Use with sufficient ventilation to keep employee exposure below recommended limits. R-32 should not be mixed with air for leak testing. In general, product should not be in area whereby high concentrations of air above atmospheric pressure is present. Contact with chlorine or other strong oxidizing agents should also be avoided.

**Conditions for Storage:** Keep in a clean, dry area. Do not heat above 52°C (125°F).

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

#### **Engineering Controls:**

Avoid inhalation of vapors. Avoid contact with skin or eyes. Use with sufficient ventilation to keep employee exposure below recommended exposure limit. Local exhaust should be used if large amounts are released. Mechanical ventilation should be used in low or enclosed places.

#### **Personal Protective Equipment:**

Impervious gloves should be used to avoid prolonged or repeated exposure. Chemical splash goggles should be available for use as needed to prevent eye contact. Under normal manufacturing conditions, no respiratory protection is required when handling this product, unless ventilation is inadequate. Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) is required if large release occurs.

#### **Exposures Guidelines:**

Difluoromethane	ACGIH (TLV)	None
	OSHA (PEL)	None
	OTHER LIMIT	*1000 ppm TWA (8hr)

\* = Workplace Environment Exposure Level (AIHA)

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

#### **Physical Data**

Appearance	Clear, Colorless liquid and vapor
Odor	Slightly ethereal
pH	Neutral
Boiling Point	-51.7°C (-61°F)
Freezing Point	-136°C (-212°F)
Vapor Pressure	220.3 psia @ 21°C (70°F)
Vapor Density	1.8 @ 25°C (77°F) (Air=1)
Specific Gravity	1.002 @ 26.7°C (80°F) (H <sub>2</sub> O=1)
Solubility in Water	Unknown
Molecular Weight	52

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

**Chemical Stability:** This material is chemically stable under specific conditions, storage shipment and/or use.

**Conditions to avoid:** Open flames and high temperatures.

**Incompatibility with other materials:** Incompatible with alkali or alkaline earth metals – powdered Al, Zn, Be, etc



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**Possibility of hazardous reaction & products:** This material can be decomposed in high temperatures (open flames, glowing metal surfaces, etc) thus, forming hydrochloric and hydrofluoric acids, and possibly carbonyl halides. These materials are toxic and irritating. Contact should be avoided.

**Polymerization:** Will not occur

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### **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### **IMMEDIATE (ACUTE) EFFECTS**

LC<sub>50</sub>: 4 hr. (rat) - > 520,000 ppm / Cardiac Sensitization NOEL -350,000 ppm

#### **DELAYED (SUBCHRONIC AND CHRONIC) EFFECTS**

Teratogenic NOEL (rat and rabbit) - 50,000 ppm

Subchronic inhalation (rat) NOEL – 50,000 ppm

#### **OTHER DATA**

Not active in four genetic tests.

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### **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### **Aquatic Toxicity:**

No data available

**ODP:** 0

**GWP:** 675 (relative to carbon dioxide for integration of 100years)

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### **13. DISPOSABLE CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Prohibition**

Do not allow the product to be released to the environment.

#### **Waste Disposal**

Comply with local regulations. Reclaim by distillation or remove to a permitted waste facility.

#### **Other Disposal Considerations**

Disposal must comply with federal, state, and local disposal or discharge laws. R-32 is subject to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clean Air Act Regulations Section 608 in 40 CFR Part 82 regarding refrigerant recycling.

The information offered here is for the product as shipped. Use and/or alterations to the product such as mixing with other materials may significantly change the characteristics of the material and alter the RCRA classification and the proper disposal method.

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### **14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

#### **Shipping Information**

DOT/IMO  
Hazard Label



Proper Shipping Name : Difluoromethane  
DOT Name : Refrigerant Gas R-32  
IMO Class (Hazard Class) : 2.1  
UN no. : 3252  
DOT/IMO Label : Flammable Gas

### **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

#### **Hazard Categories under SARA Title III Rules (40CFR Part 82)**

Acute : Yes  
Chronic : Yes  
Fire : No  
Reactivity : No  
Pressure : Yes

#### **Safety (S) Phrases:**

S47: Keep at temperature not exceeding 52°C.  
S41: In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes.  
S57: Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination  
S59: Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information on recovery/recycling  
S61: Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/safety data sheet.

**Note:** The regulatory information given above only indicates the principal regulations specifically applicable to the product described in the Safety Data Sheet. The user's attention is drawn to the possible existence of additional provisions, which complete these regulations. Refer to all applicable National, International and Local regulations or provisions.

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

The information in this Safety Data Sheet only concerns the above-mentioned product and does not relate to use with other product(s) or in any process. This information is to our best present knowledge correct and complete and is given in good faith but without warranty. It remains the user's own responsibility to ensure that the information is appropriate and correct for his special use of this product.

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