

**1 PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

**Fluorochemicals**  
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Information Telephone Numbers

Product Information

Product Name Forane (R) 22  
Product Synonym(s)

Chemical Family Hydrochlorofluorocarbons

Chemical Formula CHClF<sub>2</sub>

Chemical Name Chlorodifluoromethane

EPA Reg Num

Product Use Refrigerant

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS:

Chemtrec: (800) 424-9300 (24hrs) or (703) 527-3887

Medical: Rocky Mountain Poison Control Center  
(303) 623-5716 (24Hrs)

Phone Number

800-245-5858

Available Hrs

8:00 am - 5:30 pm (Eastern)

**2 COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Ingredient Name	CAS RegistryNumber	Typical Wt. %	OSHA
Chlorodifluoromethane	75-45-6	100%	Y

The substance(s) marked with a "Y" in the OSHA column, are identified as hazardous chemicals according to the criteria of the OSHA Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

This material is classified as hazardous under Federal OSHA regulation.

The components of this product are all on the TSCA inventory list.

**3 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****Emergency Overview**

Colorless liquified gas with faint ether odor.

**WARNING!**

LIQUID AND GAS UNDER PRESSURE, OVERHEATING AND OVERPRESSURIZING MAY CAUSE GAS RELEASE OR VIOLENT CYLINDER BURSTING. MAY DECOMPOSE ON CONTACT WITH FLAMES OR EXTREMELY HOT METAL SURFACES TO PRODUCE TOXIC AND CORROSIVE PRODUCTS. VAPOR REDUCES OXYGEN AVAILABLE FOR BREATHING AND IS HEAVIER THAN AIR. HARMFUL IF INHALED AND MAY CAUSE HEART IRREGULARITIES, UNCONSCIOUSNESS OR DEATH. LIQUID CONTACT WITH EYES OR SKIN MAY CAUSE FROSTBITE.

**Potential Health Effects**

Skin contact and inhalation are expected to be the primary routes of occupational exposure to this material. As with most liquefied gases, contact with the rapidly volatilizing liquid or cold vapor can cause frostbite to any tissue. Based on single exposure animal tests, this material is considered to be practically non-toxic if inhaled. However, exposure to gas of this material at high concentrations may effect the nervous system and produce a rapid anesthetic effect. The dense vapor of this material can reduce the oxygen available for breathing and produce symptoms such as headache, dizziness, drowsiness, cyanosis and lack of muscle control followed by collapse. Prolonged exposure to an oxygen-deficient atmosphere may be fatal. Inhalation of this material may cause an increase in the sensitivity of the heart to adrenaline, which could result in irregular heart beats and reduced heart function. Workers with heart disease or

compromised heart function should limit exposure to this material.

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

IF IN EYES, immediately flush with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

IF ON SKIN, Flush exposed skin with lukewarm water (not hot), or use other means to warm skin slowly. Get medical attention if frostbitten by liquid or if irritation occurs.

IF SWALLOWED, Not applicable - product is a gas at ambient temperatures.

IF INHALED, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention. Do not give adrenaline, epinephrin or similar drugs following exposure to this product.

#### **5 FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

##### **Fire and Explosive Properties**

Auto-Ignition Temperature	NA	
Flash Point	NA - GAS	Flash Point Method
Flammable Limits- Upper	NA	
Lower	NA	

##### **Extinguishing Media**

Use extinguishing media appropriate to surrounding fire conditions.

##### **Fire Fighting Instructions**

Stop the flow of gas if possible. Use water spray on person making shut-off. Fire fighters and others who may be exposed to products of combustion should wear full fire fighting turn out gear (full Bunker Gear) and self-contained breathing apparatus (pressure demand NIOSH approved or equivalent). Fire fighting equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

##### **Fire and Explosion Hazards**

May decompose on contact with flames or extremely hot metal surfaces to produce toxic and corrosive products. Liquid and gas under pressure, overheating or overpressurizing may cause gas release and/or violent cylinder bursting. Container may explode if heated due to resulting pressure rise. Some mixtures of HCFCs and/or HCFs, and air or oxygen may be combustible if pressurized and exposed to extreme heat or flame.

#### **6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

##### **In Case of Spill or Leak**

Use Halogen leak detector or other suitable means to locate leaks or check atmosphere. Keep upwind. Evacuate enclosed spaces and disperse gas with floor-level forced-air ventilation. Exhaust vapors outdoors. Do not smoke or operate internal combustion engines. Remove flames and heating elements.

#### **7 HANDLING AND STORAGE**

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**Handling**

Avoid breathing gas. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Keep container closed. Use only with adequate ventilation. Do not enter confined spaces unless adequately ventilated.

**Storage**

Do not apply direct flame to cylinder. Do not store cylinder in direct sun or expose it to heat above 120 F. Do not drop or refill this cylinder. Keep away from heat, sparks and flames.

**8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**Engineering Controls**

Investigate engineering techniques to reduce exposures below airborne exposure limits. Provide ventilation if necessary to control exposure levels below airborne exposure limits (see below). If practical, use local mechanical exhaust ventilation at sources of air contamination such as open process equipment.

**Eye / Face Protection**

Where there is potential for eye contact, wear chemical goggles and have eye flushing equipment available.

**Skin Protection**

Wear appropriate chemical resistant protective clothing and chemical resistant gloves to prevent skin contact. Consult glove manufacturer to determine appropriate type glove material for given application. Rinse contaminated skin promptly. Wash contaminated clothing and clean protective equipment before reuse. Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

**Respiratory Protection**

Avoid breathing gas. Use NIOSH approved respiratory protection equipment appropriate to the material and/or its components (full facepiece recommended) when airborne exposure limits are exceeded (see below). Consult respirator manufacturer to determine appropriate type equipment for a given application. Observe respirator use limitations specified by NIOSH or the manufacturer. For emergency and other conditions where exposure limit may be significantly exceeded, use an approved full face positive-pressure, self-contained breathing apparatus or positive-pressure airline with auxiliary self-contained air supply. Respiratory protection programs must comply with 29 CFR § 1910.134.

**Airborne Exposure Guidelines for Ingredients**

Exposure Limit	Value
<b>Chlorodifluoromethane</b>	
ACGIH TWA	-
	1000 ppm 3540 mg/m3

-Only those components with exposure limits are printed in this section.

-Skin contact limits designated with a "Y" above have skin contact effect. Air sampling alone is insufficient to accurately quantitate exposure. Measures to prevent significant cutaneous absorption may be required.

## 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance/Odor	Colorless liquified gas with faint ether odor.
pH	NE
Specific Gravity	1.17 @ 30/0 C
Vapor Pressure	136 PSIA @ 21 C/70 F
Vapor Density	2.98 at 1 atm
Melting Point	NE
Freezing Point	-160 C (-256 F)
Boiling Point	-40.8 C (-41.4 F)
Solubility In Water	Slight
Molecular Weight	86.48

## 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Stability

This material is chemically stable under specified conditions or storage, shipment and/or use. See HANDLING AND STORAGE section of this MSDS for specified conditions.

### Incompatibility

Avoid contact with strong alkali or alkaline earth metals, finely powdered metals such as aluminum, magnesium or zinc and strong oxidizers, since they may react or accelerate decomposition.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Thermal decomposition products include hydrogen fluoride, hydrogen chloride, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and chlorine.

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### Toxicological Information

Single exposure (acute) studies indicate:

Inhalation - Practically Non-Toxic (2 hr-LD50 = 300,000 (rat), 390,000 ppm (mouse))

Inhalation - Rat 10 min-EC50 = 140,000 ppm (CNS Effects)

Eye Irritation - Slightly Irritating to Rabbits (5-30 sec. exposure to gas spray)

Skin Irritation - (Moderate) Irritating to Rabbits (liquefied gas with patch applied)

There have been several accidental deaths associated with exposure to this material or mixtures with other fluorocarbons. Death was generally attributed to oxygen deficiency. Microscopic examination of the tissues of some of the victims showed effects on the lungs and fatty deposits in liver cells. An increase in the incidence of heart palpitations have been claimed by individuals occupationally exposed. Monitoring of workers during occupational exposure showed no connection to exposure and cardiac arrhythmia or neurologic disorders. Other epidemiological studies have reported similar results.

Repeated daily application of a 10 second spray caused reddening and slight swelling of the skin and a delay in hair growth. Skin allergy was not observed in guinea pigs following repeated exposure. Inhalation causes an initial stimulation and then depression of the central nervous system (CNS). Symptoms in animals include loss of equilibrium, tremors, convulsions and narcosis and death, usually attributed to asphyxiation. At levels that caused anesthesia, dogs exhibited convulsions. Exposure by inhalation at 300,000 to 400,000 ppm for 10-15 minutes was fatal to rabbits, also causing hemorrhages and effects on the liver. Following inhalation exposure

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to 50,000 ppm for 1 month, no effects were reported in guinea pigs, rats, dogs and cats; 60,000 ppm for 2-3 months elicited mild liver effects in rabbits; 5,000 ppm for 3 months caused no effects in dogs; 15,000 ppm for 4 months, produced no neurotoxic effects in rats; 14,000 ppm for 10 months produced effects on the lungs, CNS, heart, liver, kidney, spleen of rats, mice and rabbits, while at 2,000 ppm no effects were reported in rats and mice. An increase in malignant tumors of the salivary glands was reported in male rats but not in female rats or mice of either sex after inhalation exposure to 50,000 ppm 5 hr/day, 5 day/wk for 21 months. Long term inhalation of 5,000 ppm was not carcinogenic to rats and mice. Oral dosing for 52 weeks produced no adverse effects in rats. Inhalation at levels up to 50,000 and 100,000 ppm, produced no adverse effects on male reproductive performance in rats and mice respectively. Eye malformations were reported in rats exposed by inhalation during pregnancy at 50,000 ppm. In rats at 1,000 ppm or in rabbits exposed at levels up to 50,000 ppm. In rabbits, rats and humans, a small portion of inhaled material was distributed into the brain, heart, lungs, liver, kidneys and fat. It was rapidly eliminated from the body in the inhaled air. No significant metabolism occurs in humans or rats. The results of the tests for genetic changes were mixed. Studies with mice, dogs, rats, rabbits, cats and monkeys have shown that inhalation exposure can cause cardiac arrhythmias. The NOEL for cardiac sensitization in dogs is 25,000 ppm.

## 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Ecotoxicological Information

No effects were reported on the growth of aerobic and anaerobic microorganisms over a 24 hour period, including gram-positive and gram-negative species, from exposure to a media containing this material at 5 mg/ml.

### Chemical Fate Information

Chlorodifluoromethane

The octanol/water partition coefficient (log Pow) was reported to be 1.08.

## 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Waste Disposal

Recover, reclaim or recycle when practical. Dispose of in accordance with federal, state and local regulations. Note: Chemical additions to, processing of, or otherwise altering this material may make this waste management information incomplete, inaccurate, or otherwise inappropriate. Furthermore, state and local waste disposal requirements may be more restrictive or otherwise different from federal laws and regulations.

## 14 TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT Name	Chlorodifluoromethane
DOT Technical Name	(R-22)
DOT Hazard Class	2.2
UN Number	UN 1018
DOT Packing Group	PG NA
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## 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION

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**Hazard Categories Under Criteria of SARA Title III Rules (40 CFR Part 370)**

Immediate (Acute) Health	Y	Fire	N
Delayed (Chronic) Health	N	Reactive	N
		Sudden Release of Pressure	Y

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**Ingredient Related Regulatory Information:**

**SARA Reportable Quantities**

CERCLA RQ

SARA TPQ

Chlorodifluoromethane

NE

**SARA Title III, Section 313**

This product does contain chemical(s) which are defined as toxic chemicals under and subject to the reporting requirements of, Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Ammendments and Reauthorization Act of 986 and 40 CFR Part 372. See Section 2

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**Massachusetts Right to Know**

This product does contain the following chemical(s), as indicated below, currently on the Massachusetts Right to Know Substance List.

Chlorodifluoromethane

**New Jersey Right to Know**

This product does contain the following chemical(s), as indicated below, currently on the New Jersey Right-to-Know Substances List.

Chlorodifluoromethane

**Pennsylvania Environmental Hazard**

This product does contain the following chemical(s), as indicated below, currently on the Pennsylvania Environmental Hazard List.

Chlorodifluoromethane

**Pennsylvania Right to Know**

This product does contain the following chemical(s), as indicated below, currently on the Pennsylvania Hazardous Substance List.

Chlorodifluoromethane

<b>16 OTHER INFORMATION</b>
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**Revision Information**

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Supersedes Revision Dated    New Document

**Revision Summary**

Initial Entry

**Key**

NE= Not Established    NA= Not Applicable    (R) = Registered Trademark

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