3M™ Novec™ 7100 Engineered Fluid

Introduction

3M™ Novec™ 7100 Engineered Fluid, methoxy-nonafluorobutane (C₄F₉OCH₃), is a clear, colorless and low-odor fluid intended to replace ozone-depleting substances (ODSs) and compounds with high global warming potential (GWP) in many applications. Its physical properties are compared with several other ODS replacement fluid candidates in Table 1.

This proprietary fluid has zero ozone depletion potential and other favorable environmental properties (see Table 2). It has one of the best toxicological profiles of CFC replacement materials, with a time-weighted average exposure guideline of 750 ppm (eight hour average).

The high boiling point and low surface tension of Novec 7100 fluid make it ideal for use in vapor degreasing applications as a neat (pure), azeotropic component or co-solvent parts cleaner. In addition, its chemical and thermal stability, non-flammability and low toxicity make it useful for many other industrial and specialty solvent applications (see below).

Applications

- Cleaning and rinsing agent
  - Heavy-duty cleaning (co-solvent)
  - heavy oils, greases, fluxes
  - Medium-duty cleaning (azeotrope)
  - oils, greases, waxes
  - Light-duty cleaning (neat)
  - particulates, fluorolubes, light oils, fluoropolymers
- Lubricant carrier
  - Fluorocarbons
  - Hydrocarbons
  - Silicones
- Spot-free water drying agent
  - with surfactants added
- Specialty solvents, dispersion media, reaction media
- Spray contact cleaner
- CFC, HCFC, HFC and PFC replacement
- Dielectric test media
- Heat transfer
  See “3M™ Novec™ 7100 Engineered Fluid for Heat Transfer” Application Information

Material Description

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<th>Ingredients</th>
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<tr>
<td>Methoxy-nonafluorobutane¹</td>
<td>99.5% minimum</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-volatile residue (NVR)</td>
<td>2.0 ppm maximum</td>
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<td>Appearance</td>
<td>Clear, colorless</td>
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¹Novec 7100 fluid (C₄F₉OCH₃) consists of two inseparable isomers with essentially identical properties. These are (CF₃)₂CFCF₂OCH₃ (CAS No. 163702-08-7) and CF₃CF₂CF₂CF₂OCH₃ (CAS No. 163702-07-6).
Regulatory Status

3M™ Novec™ 7100 Engineered Fluid has been accepted for commercial use by regulatory agencies in the United States, Europe, Canada, Australia, Japan, Korea and the Philippines. The components of Novec 7100 fluid have been nominated to China’s draft chemical inventory.

Novec 7100 fluid has been approved under the Significant New Alternatives Policy (SNAP) of the U.S. EPA. In addition, Novec 7100 fluid has been excluded by the U.S. EPA from the definition of a VOC on the basis that this compound has negligible contribution to tropospheric ozone formation. The components of Novec 7100 fluid are not on any regulated lists.

Contact your local 3M representative regarding the regulatory status of Novec 7100 fluid in other countries.

Toxicity Profile

The toxicological testing completed on Novec 7100 fluid shows the overall toxicity is low. The material is practically non-irritating to the eyes, minimally irritating to the skin and is not a mutagen or cardiac sensitizer. It is rated “practically non-toxic” through inhalation. A 90-day inhalation study has helped establish a recommended exposure guideline of 750 ppm for an eight-hour average worker exposure per day. This exposure guideline was established by the American Industrial Hygiene Association.

Environmental and Safety Properties

Data compiled from published information. Not for specification purposes. All values @ 25°C unless otherwise specified.

### Typical Physical Properties

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<th>Properties</th>
<th>3M™ Novec™ 7100 Engineered Fluid</th>
<th>CFC-113</th>
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<th>HFC-4310mee</th>
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<tr>
<td>Formula</td>
<td>C₄F₉OCH₃, etc.</td>
<td>C₂Cl₃F₃</td>
<td>C₂Cl₂H₃F</td>
<td>C₃Cl₂HF₅</td>
<td>C₅H₂F₁₀</td>
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<tr>
<td>Molecular Weight</td>
<td>250</td>
<td>187</td>
<td>117</td>
<td>203</td>
<td>252</td>
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<td>Boiling Point (°C)</td>
<td>61</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>54</td>
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<tr>
<td>Freeze Point (°C)</td>
<td>-135</td>
<td>-35</td>
<td>-103</td>
<td>-131</td>
<td>-80</td>
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<tr>
<td>Liquid Density (g/ml)</td>
<td>1.52</td>
<td>1.56</td>
<td>1.23</td>
<td>1.55</td>
<td>1.58</td>
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<td>Surface Tension (dynes/cm)</td>
<td>13.6</td>
<td>17.3</td>
<td>19.3</td>
<td>16.2</td>
<td>14.1</td>
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<td>Solubility of Solvent in Water (ppmw)</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>170</td>
<td>210</td>
<td>330</td>
<td>140</td>
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<td>Solubility of Water in Solvent (ppmw)</td>
<td>95</td>
<td>110</td>
<td>420</td>
<td>310</td>
<td>490</td>
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<td>Vapor Pressure (mmHg)</td>
<td>202</td>
<td>334</td>
<td>569</td>
<td>290</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ozone Depletion Potential–ODP&lt;sup&gt;1&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.80</td>
<td>0.10</td>
<td>0.03</td>
<td>0.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Global Warming Potential&lt;sup&gt;2&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>320</td>
<td>6000</td>
<td>700</td>
<td>180/160</td>
<td>1700</td>
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<td>Atmospheric Lifetime (years)</td>
<td>4.1</td>
<td>85</td>
<td>9.2</td>
<td>2.1/6.2</td>
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<td>Flash Point</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>Flammability Range in Air</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>7.6-17.7&lt;sup&gt;4&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
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<td>Exposure Guidelines (8 hr. time-weighted average)</td>
<td>750</td>
<td>1000</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>200</td>
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<td>Exposure Ceiling (ppm)</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>400</td>
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<tr>
<td>Acute Toxicity (4 hr. LC₅₀ [Rat])</td>
<td>&gt;100,000</td>
<td>55,000</td>
<td>62,000</td>
<td>37,000</td>
<td>11,000</td>
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<sup>1</sup>HFC-225 ca/cb ratio is 45/55  <sup>2</sup>CFC-11 = 1.0  <sup>3</sup>GWP–100 year Integration Time Horizon (ITH)  <sup>4</sup>Vol % by ASTM E681-94 @ 100°C
Vapor Pressure and Density

The variation of vapor pressure and density with temperature for 3M™ Novec™ 7100 Engineered Fluid can be calculated using the following formulas:

Vapor Pressure: \( \ln P = 22.415 - 3641.9 \left[ \frac{1}{(t+273)} \right] \)

Density: \( D = 1.5383 - 0.002269t \)

\( P \) = Vapor Pressure in Pascals
\( t \) = Temperature in °C
\( D \) = Density in g/ml

Materials Compatibility

Continuous Exposure

Novec 7100 fluid is compatible with most metals and hard polymers. Soft and elastomeric materials should be limited to compounds that contain the least amount of extractable plasticizer. 3M technical service engineers can suggest appropriate compounds and assist with material compatibility tests.

Non-Continuous Exposure

Short-term testing of Novec 7100 fluid demonstrates compatibility, after one hour exposure at boiling temperature, with a wide range of metals, plastics and elastomers, similar to the performance of perfluorinated liquids. Good short-term compatibility with particularly sensitive plastics such as polycarbonate and PMMA indicates utility in cleaning of assemblies containing many composite materials.

As with most fluorinated liquids, Novec 7100 fluid will absorb into fluorinated plastics and elastomers over longer exposures.

Short-Term Exposure Compatibility

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<th>Metals</th>
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<tr>
<td>Aluminum</td>
<td>Acrylic (PMMA)</td>
<td>Butyl Rubber</td>
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<td>Copper</td>
<td>Polyethylene</td>
<td>Natural Rubber</td>
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<td>Carbon Steel</td>
<td>Polypropylene</td>
<td>Nitrile Rubber</td>
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<td>302 Stainless Steel</td>
<td>Polycarbonate</td>
<td>EPDM</td>
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<td>Brass</td>
<td>Polyester</td>
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Exceptions: Some swelling of PTFE and Silicone Rubber. Some surface oxidation of copper during heat aging.

Safety and Handling

3M™ Novec™ 7100 Engineered Fluid is nonflammable and does not exhibit flammability characteristics under normal operating and storage conditions. This fluid is highly resistant to thermal breakdown and hydrolysis in storage and during use. Recommended handling procedures are provided in the pertinent Material Safety Data Sheet which is available from your local 3M representative upon request.

Environmental Policy

3M will continue to recognize and exercise its responsibility to prevent pollution at the source wherever and whenever possible; develop products that will have a minimal effect on the environment; conserve natural resources through the use of reclamation and other appropriate methods; assure that its facilities and products meet and sustain the regulations of all federal, state and local environmental agencies; assist, wherever possible, governmental agencies and other official organizations engaged in environmental activities.
Packaging and Availability

3M™ Novec™ 7100 Engineered Fluid may be ordered in the following container sizes:

- 55-gallon drum; 30-gallon drum; 5-gallon pail; 1-gallon pail
- 4-ounce samples for limited or preliminary test work are available

Recycle and Disposal Options

Used Fluid Return Program

3M offers a program for free pickup and return of used 3M specialty fluids in the U.S. A pre-negotiated handling agreement between users and our authorized service provider offers users broad protection against future liability for used 3M product. The fluid return program is covered by independent third-party financial and environmental audits of treatment, storage and disposal facilities. Necessary documentation is provided. A minimum of 30 gallons of used 3M specialty fluid is required for participation in this free program.

For additional information on the 3M Used Fluid Return Program, contact your local 3M representative or call 3M Customer Service at 800.810.8513.

Resources

3M™ Novec™ Engineered Fluids are supported by global sales, technical and customer service resources, with technical service laboratories in the U.S., Europe, Japan, Latin America and Southeast Asia. Users benefit from 3M’s broad technology base and continuing attention to product development, performance, safety and environmental issues. For additional technical information on Novec 7100DL fluid in the United States or for the name of a local authorized distributor, call 3M Electronics Markets Materials Division: 800 810 8513.

The 3M™ Novec™ Brand Family

The Novec brand is the hallmark for a variety of patented 3M products. Although each has its own unique formula and performance properties, all Novec products are designed in common to address the need for safe, effective, sustainable solutions in industry-specific applications. These include precision and electronics cleaning, heat transfer, fire protection, lubricant deposition and several specialty chemical applications.

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