

## Safety Data Sheet

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## **SECTION 1: Identification**

#### 1.1. Product identifier

3M Steri-Gas Sterilisation Cartridges

#### **Product Identification Numbers**

70-2007-2768-6	70-2007-4128-1	70-2007-4129-9	70-2007-4130-7	70-2007-4132-3
70-2007-4133-1	70-2007-4134-9	70-2007-4135-6	70-2007-4136-4	70-2007-4137-2
70-2007-4138-0	70-2007-4140-6	70-2007-4142-2	70-2007-7124-7	70-2007-7125-4
70-2007-8376-2	70-2007-8377-0	70-2007-8378-8	70-2007-8379-6	70-2007-8380-4
70-2007-8381-2	70-2007-8382-0	70-2007-8383-8	70-2007-8384-6	70-2007-8385-3

### 1.2. Recommended use and restrictions on use

### Recommended use

Gas to sterilize in a 3M Steri-Vac(TM) Ethylene Oxide Sterilizer

#### 1.3. Supplier's details

Address: 3M Technologies (S) Pte Ltd, 10 Ang Mo Kio Street 65, Singapore 569059

**Telephone:** +65 6450 8888 Website: www.3m.com.sg

### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

+65 6591 6601 (8.15am - 5.00pm, Monday - Friday)

### **SECTION 2: Hazard identification**

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Flammable gas: Category 1. Gas under pressure: Liquefied gas. Acute Toxicity (oral): Category 3. Acute Toxicity (inhalation): Category 3. Serious Eye Damage/Irritation: Category 1. Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Category 1. Reproductive Toxicity: Category 1B. Carcinogenicity: Category 1A.

Germ Cell Mutagenicity: Category 1B.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity (single exposure): Category 1.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity (single exposure): Category 3. Specific Target Organ Toxicity (repeated exposure): Category 1.

# 2.2. Label elements SIGNAL WORD

DANGER!

### **Symbols**

Flame | Gas cylinder | Corrosion | Skull and crossbones | Health Hazard |

### **Pictograms**



#### HAZARD STATEMENTS

H220 Extremely flammable gas.

H280 Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

H301 Toxic if swallowed. H331 Toxic if inhaled.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

H350 May cause cancer.

H340 May cause genetic defects.

H370 Causes damage to organs: respiratory system

H372 Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure:

nervous system

H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure:

kidney/urinary tract sensory organs

#### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

**Prevention:** 

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P280D Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye/face protection.

Response:

P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin

with water/shower.

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact

lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

P301 + P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

P377 Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely.

### **Storage:**

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P410 Protect from sunlight.

P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Disposal:

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with applicable

local/regional/national/international regulations.

#### 2.3. Other hazards

May cause frostbite. - May cause chemical gastrointestinal burns.

## **SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

This material is a substance.

Ingredient	CAS Nbr	% by Wt
Ethylene oxide	75-21-8	100

## **SECTION 4: First aid measures**

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

#### Inhalation

Remove person to fresh air. Get medical attention.

#### Skin contact

Immediately flush with large amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing. Get immediate medical attention. Wash clothing before reuse.

#### Eye contact

Immediately flush with large amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses if easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately get medical attention.

#### If swallowed

Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting. Get immediate medical attention.

#### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Toxic if inhaled. Irritating to the respiratory tract (coughing, sneezing, nasal discharge, headache, hoarseness, and nose and throat pain). Skin burns (localized redness, swelling, itching, intense pain, blistering, and tissue destruction). Serious damage to the eyes (corneal cloudiness, severe pain, tearing, ulcerations, and significantly impaired or loss of vision). Toxic if swallowed. Central nervous system depression (headache, dizziness, drowsiness, incoordination, nausea, slurred speech, giddiness, and unconsciousness). Target organ effects. See Section 11 for additional details. Target organ effects following prolonged or repeated exposure. See Section 11 for additional details.

#### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment required

Not applicable

# **SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures**

#### 5.1. Suitable extinguishing media

In case of fire: Use a water spray or fog to extinguish, do not use straight streams. If water is not available use dry chemical, CO2, or foam to extinguish. Refer to other precautionary advice in SDS section 5. Use a fire fighting agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Closed containers exposed to heat from fire may build pressure and explode.

### **Hazardous Decomposition or By-Products**

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**Substance** 

Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide.

Condition

During combustion.

During combustion.

### 5.3. Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely. Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so. Wear full protective clothing, including helmet, self-contained, positive pressure or pressure demand breathing apparatus, bunker coat and pants, bands around arms, waist and legs, face mask, and protective covering for exposed areas of the head.

### **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Evacuate area. Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking. Ventilate the area with fresh air. For large spill, or spills in confined spaces, provide mechanical ventilation to disperse or exhaust vapors, in accordance with good industrial hygiene practice. Refer to other sections of this SDS for information regarding physical and health hazards, respiratory protection, ventilation, and personal protective equipment.

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

If possible, seal leaking container. Place leaking containers in a well-ventilated area, preferably an operating exhaust hood, or if necessary outdoors on an impermeable surface until appropriate packaging for the leaking container or its contents is available. Close cylinder. Place in a metal container approved for transportation by appropriate authorities. Dispose of collected material as soon as possible in accordance with applicable local/regional/national/international regulations.

## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

For industrial/occupational use only. Not for consumer sale or use. Do not use in a confined area with minimal air exchange. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash thoroughly after handling. Avoid release to the environment. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so. Avoid contact with oxidising agents (eg. chlorine, chromic acid etc.) Use personal protective equipment (eg. gloves, respirators...) as required. Recommendations for storing Steri-Gas cartridges are stringent. Check your local fire protection codes for additional requirements. Keep all sources of ignition such as matches, lighted cigarettes, sparks and static discharge away from the sterilzer and cartridges. Store cartridges in an upright position. Keep only one day's requirement or a maximum of twelve(12) cartridges (one box) in the immediate sterilizer area. This area needs to have at least ten air changes per hour. Additional Steri-Gas cartridges should be stored in an approved flammable liquid storage cabinet vented to the outside atmosphere, or in an area suitable for storage of flammable liquids appropriately vented to the outside atmosphere, or into a non-recirculating, continuously operating, dedicated exhaust system.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage including any incompatibilities

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Protect from sunlight. Store away from heat. Do not expose to temperatures exceeding 50 C/122 F. Store away from acids. Store away from oxidising agents. Store away from areas where product may come into contact with food or pharmaceuticals.

# **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### 8.1 Control parameters

### Occupational exposure limits

If a component is disclosed in section 3 but does not appear in the table below, an occupational exposure limit is not available

for the component.

Ingredient	CAS Nbr	Agency	Limit type	Additional comments
Ethylene oxide	75-21-8	ACGIH	TWA:1 ppm	A2: Suspected human
				carcin., Danger of
				cutaneous absorption
Ethylene oxide	75-21-8	Singapore PELs	TWA(8 hours):1.8 mg/m3(1	
			ppm)	

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

AIHA: American Industrial Hygiene Association

CMRG: Chemical Manufacturer's Recommended Guidelines

Singapore PELs: Singapore. Workplace Safety and Health (Permissible Exposure Levels of Toxic Substances) Order

TWA: Time-Weighted-Average STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

CEIL: Ceiling

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

### 8.2.1. Engineering controls

Use general dilution ventilation and/or local exhaust ventilation to control airborne exposures to below relevant Exposure Limits and/or control dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray. If ventilation is not adequate, use respiratory protection equipment.

### 8.2.2. Personal protective equipment (PPE)

#### **Eve/face protection**

Select and use eye/face protection to prevent contact based on the results of an exposure assessment. The following eye/face protection(s) are recommended:

Full face shield.

Indirect vented goggles.

### Skin/hand protection

Select and use gloves and/or protective clothing approved to relevant local standards to prevent skin contact based on the results of an exposure assessment. Selection should be based on use factors such as exposure levels, concentration of the substance or mixture, frequency and duration, physical challenges such as temperature extremes, and other use conditions. Consult with your glove and/or protective clothing manufacturer for selection of appropriate compatible gloves/protective clothing. Note: Nitrile gloves may be worn over polymer laminate gloves to improve dexterity.

Gloves made from the following material(s) are recommended: Polymer laminate

Polymer laminate - PE/EVAL/PE

If this product is used in a manner that presents a higher potential for exposure (eg. spraying, high splash potential etc.), then use of protective coveralls may be necessary. Select and use body protection to prevent contact based on the results of an Apron - polymer laminate

#### Respiratory protection

An exposure assessment may be needed to decide if a respirator is required. If a respirator is needed, use respirators as part of a full respiratory protection program. Based on the results of the exposure assessment, select from the following respirator type(s) to reduce inhalation exposure:

Half facepiece or full facepiece supplied-air respirator

For questions about suitability for a specific application, consult with your respirator manufacturer.

#### Thermal hazards

Wear cold insulating gloves/face shield/eye protection.

## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

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9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Dhysical state				
Physical state	Gas.			
Specific Physical Form:	Compressed gas.			
Color	Colorless			
Odor	Sweet Odor			
Odour threshold	No data available.			
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Melting point/Freezing point	Not applicable.			
Boiling point/Initial boiling point/Boiling range	10.6 °C			
Flash point	-20 °C [Test Method: Tagliabue closed cup]			
Evaporation rate	Not applicable.			
Flammability (solid, gas)	Flammable gas: Category 1.			
Flammable Limits(LEL)	3 % volume			
Flammable Limits(UEL)	100 % volume			
Vapour pressure	145,854.3 Pa [@ 20 °C ]			
Vapor Density and/or Relative Vapor Density	1.49 [ <i>Ref Std</i> :AIR=1]			
Density	Not applicable.			
Relative density	0.87 [ <i>Ref Std</i> :WATER=1] [ <i>Details</i> :@ 20 °C]			
Water solubility	Complete			
Solubility- non-water	No data available.			
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available.			
Autoignition temperature	428.9 °C [Details: CONDITIONS: Burns in the absence of air]			
Decomposition temperature	Not applicable.			
Viscosity/Kinematic Viscosity	Not applicable.			
Volatile organic compounds (VOC)	100 %			
Percent volatile	100 %			
VOC less H2O & exempt solvents	100 %			
Molecular weight	No data available.			
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# **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

### 10.1 Reactivity

This material is considered to be non reactive under normal use conditions

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous polymerisation may occur.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Heat.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

None known.

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

<u>Substance</u> <u>Condition</u>

None known.

Refer to section 5.2 for hazardous decomposition products during combustion.

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## **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

The information below may not be consistent with the material classification in Section 2 if specific ingredient classifications are mandated by a competent authority. In addition, toxicological data on ingredients may not be reflected in the material classification and/or the signs and symptoms of exposure, because an ingredient may be present below the threshold for labelling, an ingredient may not be available for exposure, or the data may not be relevant to the material as a whole.

#### 11.1 Information on Toxicological effects

#### Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Based on test data and/or information on the components, this material may produce the following health effects:

#### Inhalation

Toxic if inhaled.

Respiratory tract irritation: Signs/symptoms may include cough, sneezing, nasal discharge, headache, hoarseness, and nose and throat pain. May cause additional health effects (see below).

#### Skin contact

Frostbite: Signs/symptoms may include intense pain, discoloration of skin, and tissue destruction. Corrosive (skin burns): Signs/symptoms may include localised redness, swelling, itching, intense pain, blistering, ulceration, and tissue destruction.

#### **Eve contact**

Frostbite: Signs/symptoms may include intense pain, clouding of the cornea, redness, swelling, and blindness. Corrosive (eye burns): Signs/symptoms may include cloudy appearance of the cornea, chemical burns, severe pain, tearing, ulcerations, significantly impaired vision or complete loss of vision.

### **Ingestion**

Toxic if swallowed.

Gastrointestinal corrosion: Signs/symptoms may include severe mouth, throat and abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea; blood in the faeces and/or vomitus may also be seen.

#### **Additional Health Effects:**

### Single exposure may cause target organ effects:

Central nervous system (CNS) depression: Signs/symptoms may include headache, dizziness, drowsiness, incoordination, nausea, slowed reaction time, slurred speech, giddiness, and unconsciousness. Respiratory effects: Signs/symptoms may include cough, shortness of breath, chest tightness, wheezing, increased heart rate, bluish coloured skin (cyanosis), sputum production, changes in lung function tests, and respiratory failure.

### Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause target organ effects:

Ocular effects: Signs/symptoms may include blurred or significantly impaired vision. Peripheral neuropathy: Signs/symptoms may include tingling or numbness of the extremities, incoordination, weakness of the hands and feet, tremors and muscle atrophy. Kidney/Bladder effects: Signs/symptoms may include changes in urine production, abdominal or lower back pain, increased protein in urine, increased blood urea nitrogen (BUN), blood in urine, and painful urination.

### Reproductive/Developmental Toxicity:

Contains a chemical or chemicals which can cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

### **Genotoxicity:**

Genotoxicity and Mutagenicity: May interact with genetic material and possibly alter gene expression.

### Carcinogenicity:

Contains a chemical or chemicals which can cause cancer.

### **Toxicological Data**

If a component is disclosed in section 3 but does not appear in a table below, either no data are available for that endpoint or the data are not sufficient for classification.

**Acute Toxicity** 

Name	Route	Species	Value
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation-	official	LC50 700 ppm
	Gas (4	classifica	
	hours)	tion	
Ethylene oxide	Ingestion	official	LD50 100 mg/kg
		classifica	
		tion	

ATE = acute toxicity estimate

#### Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Name	Species	Value
Ethylene oxide	Human and animal	Corrosive

Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

Name	Species	Value
Ethylene oxide	similar health	Corrosive
	hazards	

### **Sensitization:**

### **Skin Sensitisation**

Name	Species	Value
Ethylene oxide	Human and animal	Not classified

Respiratory Sensitisation

respiratory sensitisation		
Name	Species	Value
Ethylene oxide	Human	Not classified

Germ Cell Mutagenicity

Name	Route	Value
Ethylene oxide	In vivo	Mutagenic

Carcinogenicity

Name	Route	Species	Value
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	Multiple animal	Carcinogenic.
		species	

## Reproductive Toxicity

Reproductive and/or Developmental Effects

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Name	Route	Value	Species	Test result	Exposure Duration
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	Toxic to development	Rat	NOAEL 33	during

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				ppm	organogenesis
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	Toxic to female reproduction	Rat	NOAEL 33 ppm	1 generation
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	Toxic to male reproduction	Monkey	LOAEL 50 ppm	2 years

### Target Organ(s)

Specific Target Organ Toxicity - single exposure

Name	Route	Target Organ(s)	Value	Species	Test result	Exposure Duration
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	respiratory system	Causes damage to organs	Human and animal	NOAEL Not available	
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	central nervous system depression	May cause drowsiness or dizziness	Human	NOAEL Not available	
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	respiratory irritation	May cause respiratory irritation		NOAEL Not available	

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity - repeated exposure** 

Name Route Target Organ(s) Value		Species	Test result	Exposure Duration		
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	cion peripheral nervous system Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure		Human and animal	NOAEL Not available	
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	kidney and/or bladder	May cause damage to organs though prolonged or repeated exposure	Mouse	LOAEL 100 ppm	14 weeks
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	eyes	May cause damage to organs though prolonged or repeated exposure		NOAEL Not available	
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	respiratory system	Some positive data exist, but the data are not sufficient for classification	Mouse	LOAEL 200 ppm	14 weeks
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	endocrine system	Not classified	Rat	NOAEL 100 ppm	2 years
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	liver	Not classified	Multiple animal species	NOAEL 841 ppm	not available
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	hematopoietic system	Not classified	Mouse	NOAEL 250 ppm	10 weeks
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	immune system	Not classified	Mouse	LOAEL 200 ppm	14 weeks
Ethylene oxide	Inhalation	heart	Not classified	Monkey	NOAEL 100 ppm	2 years

### **Aspiration Hazard**

For the component/components, either no data are currently available or the data are not sufficient for classification.

Please contact the address or phone number listed on the first page of the SDS for additional toxicological information on this material and/or its components.

## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

The information below may not be consistent with the material classification in Section 2 if specific ingredient classifications are mandated by a competent authority. Additional information leading to material classification in Section 2 is available upon request. In addition, environmental fate and effects data on ingredients may not be reflected in this section because an ingredient is present below the threshold for labelling, an ingredient is not expected to be available for exposure, or the data is considered not relevant to the material as a whole.

### 12.1. Toxicity

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### Acute aquatic hazard:

GHS Acute 3: Harmful to aquatic life.

### Chronic aquatic hazard:

Not chronically toxic to aquatic life by GHS criteria.

Material	Organism	Type	Exposure	Test endpoint	Test result
3M Steri-Gas Sterilisation Cartridges	Water flea	Laboratory	48 hours	N/A	137 mg/l
3M Steri-Gas Sterilisation Cartridges	Fathead minnow	Laboratory	96 hours	N/A	84 mg/l
3M Steri-Gas Sterilisation Cartridges	Goldfish	Laboratory	24 hours	N/A	90 mg/l

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Material	CAS Nbr	Test type	Duration	Study Type	Test result	Protocol
Ethylene oxide	75-21-8	Experimental Biodegradation	28 days	BOD	107 %BOD/ThOD	OECD 301C - MITI test (I)
Ethylene oxide	75-21-8	Experimental Hydrolysis		Hydrolytic half-life (pH 7)	12.9 days (t 1/2)	

### 12.3 : Bioaccumulative potential

Material	CAS Nbr	Test type	Duration	Study Type	Test result	Protocol
Ethylene oxide	75-21-8	Experimental		Log Kow	-0.3	OECD 107 log Kow shke
		Bioconcentration				flsk mtd

### 12.4. Mobility in soil

Please contact manufacturer for more details

#### 12.5 Other adverse effects

No information available.

# **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

### 13.1. Disposal methods

Dispose of contents/ container in accordance with the local/regional/national/international regulations.

Incinerate in a permitted waste incineration facility. As a disposal alternative, utilize an acceptable permitted waste disposal facility. The facility should be equipped to handle gaseous waste. Empty drums/barrels/containers used for transporting and handling hazardous chemicals (chemical substances/mixtures/preparations classified as Hazardous as per applicable regulations) shall be considered, stored, treated & disposed of as hazardous wastes unless otherwise defined by applicable waste regulations. Consult with the respective regulating authorities to determine the available treatment and disposal facilities.

# **SECTION 14: Transport Information**

### **International Regulations**

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UN No.: UN1040

**UN Proper shipping name:** Ethylene oxide

**Transportation Class (IMO):** 2.1-2.1 Flammable gases, 2.3-2.3 Toxic gas **Transportation Class (IATA):** 2.1-2.1 Flammable gases, 2.3-2.3 Toxic gas

Other Dangerous Goods Descriptions (IMO): None assigned Other Dangerous Goods Descriptions (IATA): None assigned

Packing Group: None assigned Marine pollutant: None assigned

## **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

### 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

### Global inventory status

Contact 3M for more information.

### This product may contain component(s) that are regulated by the following:

Workplace Safety and Health Act & Workplace Safety and Health (General Provisions) Regulations: this product is subject to SDS, labelling, PEL and other requirements in the Act/Regulations.

Environmental Protection and Management (Hazardous Substances) Regulations: This product is subject to the requirements in the Regulations

### **SECTION 16: Other information**

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