



**DuPont™ ISCEON® MO99™ refrigerant**

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This SDS adheres to the standards and regulatory requirements of the United States and may not meet the regulatory requirements in other countries.

**SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product name : DuPont™ ISCEON® MO99™ refrigerant  
Product Grade/Type : ASHRAE Refrigerant number designation: R-438A  
Tradename/Synonym : MO99  
ISCEON MO99™  
R-438A  
MSDS Number : 130000031356  
Product Use : Refrigerant  
Manufacturer : DuPont  
1007 Market Street  
Wilmington, DE 19898  
Product Information : 1-800-441-7515 (outside the U.S. 1-302-774-1000)  
Medical Emergency : 1-800-441-3637 (outside the U.S. 1-302-774-1139)  
Transport Emergency : CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 (outside the U.S. 1-703-527-3887)

**SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Emergency Overview

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

Potential Health Effects

Skin : Contact with liquid or refrigerated gas can cause cold burns and frostbite.  
May cause skin irritation.  
May cause: Discomfort, itching, redness, or swelling.

Eyes : Contact with liquid or refrigerated gas can cause cold burns and frostbite.  
May cause eye irritation.  
May cause: Tearing, redness, or discomfort.


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Inhalation : Misuse or intentional inhalation abuse may cause death without warning symptoms, due to cardiac effects.  
Other symptoms potentially related to misuse or inhalation abuse are: Anaesthetic effects, Light-headedness, dizziness, confusion, incoordination, drowsiness, or unconsciousness, irregular heartbeat with a strange sensation in the chest, heart thumping, apprehension, feeling of fainting, dizziness or weakness, Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing..

Ingestion  
2-Methylbutane : Aspiration hazard if swallowed - can enter lungs and cause damage.

Target Organs  
Butane : Respiratory Tract  
Central nervous system

2-Methylbutane : Central nervous system

**Carcinogenicity**

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 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

| Component                            | CAS-No.  | Concentration |
|--------------------------------------|----------|---------------|
| Pentafluoroethane (HFC-125)          | 354-33-6 | 45 %          |
| 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane (HFC-134a) | 811-97-2 | 44.2 %        |
| Difluoromethane (HFC-32)             | 75-10-5  | 8.5 %         |
| Butane                               | 106-97-8 | 1.7 %         |



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| 2-Methylbutane | 78-78-4 | 0.6 % |
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**SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

- Skin contact : In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Take off all contaminated clothing immediately. Consult a physician. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Treat for frostbite if necessary by gently warming affected area.
- Eye contact : In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Consult a physician if necessary.
- 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.
- Ingestion : Is not considered a potential route of exposure.
- General advice : Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. When symptoms persist or in all cases of doubt seek medical advice.
- 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**

- Flammable Properties
- Flash point : does not flash
- Lower explosion limit : Method : None per ASTM E681
- Upper explosion limit : Method : None per ASTM E681

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**Fire and Explosion Hazard** : Cylinders are equipped with pressure and temperature relief devices, but may still rupture under fire conditions. Decomposition may occur. Contact of welding or soldering torch flame with high concentrations of refrigerant can result in visible changes in the size and colour of the torch flame. 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 vapors from the work area before using any open flames.

This substance is not flammable in air at temperatures up to 100 deg. C (212 deg. F) at atmospheric pressure. However, mixtures of this substance with high concentrations of air at elevated pressure and/or temperature can become combustible in the presence of an ignition source. This substance can also become combustible in an oxygen enriched environment (oxygen concentrations greater than that in air). Whether a mixture containing this substance and air, or this substance in an oxygen enriched atmosphere become combustible depends on the inter-relationship of 1) the temperature 2) the pressure, and 3) the proportion of oxygen in the mixture. In general, this substance should not be allowed to exist with air above atmospheric pressure or at high temperatures; or in an oxygen enriched environment. For example this substance should NOT be mixed with air under pressure for leak testing or other purposes. Experimental data have also been reported which indicate combustibility of this substance in the presence of certain concentrations of chlorine.

**Suitable extinguishing media** : Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

**Firefighting Instructions** : In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Cool containers / tanks with water spray. Water runoff should be contained and neutralized prior to release.

**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.

**Spill Cleanup** : Recover free liquid for reuse or reclamation.



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Accidental Release Measures : Prevent material from entering sewers, waterways, or low areas. 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. Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work rooms. For personal protection see section 8.

Storage : Valve protection caps and valve outlet threaded plugs must remain in place unless container is secured with valve outlet piped to use point. Do not drag, slide or roll cylinders. Use a suitable hand truck for cylinder movement. Use a pressure reducing regulator when connecting cylinder to lower pressure (>3000 psig) piping or systems. 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. Cylinders should be stored upright and firmly secured to prevent falling or being knocked over.  
Separate full containers from empty containers. Keep at temperature not exceeding 52°C. Do not store near combustible materials. Avoid area where salt or other corrosive materials are present.

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

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

Engineering controls : Normal ventilation for standard manufacturing procedures is generally adequate. Local exhaust should be used when large amounts are released. Mechanical ventilation should be used in low or enclosed places. Refrigerant Concentration monitors may be necessary to determine vapor concentrations in work areas prior to use of torches or other open flames, or if employees are entering enclosed areas.

Personal protective equipment  
Respiratory protection : Under normal manufacturing conditions, no respiratory protection is required when using this product.



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- Hand protection : Additional protection: Impervious gloves
- Eye protection : Wear safety glasses with side shields. Additionally wear a face shield where the possibility exists for face contact due to splashing, spraying or airborne contact with this material.
- Protective measures : Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) is required if a large release occurs.

**Exposure Guidelines**

**Exposure Limit Values**

**Pentafluoroethane (HFC-125)**

AEL \* (DUPONT) 1,000 ppm 8 & 12 hr. TWA

**1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane (HFC-134a)**

AEL \* (DUPONT) 1,000 ppm 8 & 12 hr. TWA

**Difluoromethane (HFC-32)**

AEL \* (DUPONT) 1,000 ppm 8 & 12 hr. TWA

**Butane**

PEL: (OSHA) 800 ppm 1,900 mg/m3 8 hr. TWA

TLV (ACGIH) 1,000 ppm TWA

**2-Methylbutane**

TLV (ACGIH) 600 ppm TWA

\* AEL is DuPont's Acceptable Exposure Limit. Where governmentally imposed occupational exposure limits which are lower than the AEL are in effect, such limits shall take precedence.

**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

- Form : Liquefied gas
- Color : colourless
- Odor : slight, ether-like
- pH : neutral


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| Melting point/range | : Not available for this mixture.           |
| Boiling point       | : -42.3 °C (-44.1 °F)                       |
| % Volatile          | : 100 %                                     |
| Vapour Pressure     | : 11,171 hPa at 25 °C (77 °F)               |
| Specific gravity    | : 1.15 at 25 °C (77 °F)                     |
| Vapour density      | : 3.5 at 25°C (77°F) and 1013 hPa (Air=1.0) |

**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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| Stability                        | : Stable under recommended storage conditions.  |
| Conditions to avoid              | : The product is not flammable in air under ambient conditions of temperature and pressure. When pressurised with air or oxygen, the mixture may become flammable. Certain mixtures of HCFCs or HFCs with chlorine may become flammable or reactive under certain conditions.             |
| Incompatibility                  | : Alkali metals Alkaline earth metals, Powdered metals, Powdered metal salts  |
| 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 |
| Hazardous reactions              | : Polymerization will not occur.  |

**SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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| Pentafluoroethane (HFC-125)                                  |   |
| Dermal   | : not applicable                            |
| Oral   | : not applicable                            |
| Inhalation 4 h LC50  | : > 800000 ppm , rat                        |
| Inhalation Low Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (LOAEC) | : 100000 ppm , dog<br>Cardiac sensitization |
| Skin irritation  | : No skin irritation, Not tested on animals |



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- 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 : Does not cause 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

No toxicologically significant effects were found.
- Carcinogenicity : Overall weight of evidence indicates that the substance is not carcinogenic.
- Mutagenicity : Did not cause genetic damage in animals.  
Did not cause genetic damage in cultured mammalian cells.  
Did not cause genetic damage in cultured bacterial cells.
- Reproductive toxicity : Evidence suggests the substance is not a reproductive toxin in animals.  
Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.
- Teratogenicity : Animal testing showed no developmental toxicity.
- Further information : Cardiac sensitisation threshold limit : 490000 mg/m3
- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane (HFC-134a)

  - Dermal : not applicable
  - Oral : not applicable
  - Inhalation 4 h LC50 : 567000 ppm , rat
  - Inhalation Low Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (LOAEC) : 75000 ppm , dog  
Cardiac sensitization





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| Skin irritation                    | : | <p>slight irritation, rabbit<br/>Not expected to cause skin irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.</p> <p>No skin irritation, human</p>  |
| Eye irritation                     | : | <p>slight irritation, rabbit<br/>Not expected to cause eye irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.</p> <p>No eye irritation, human</p>  |
| Skin sensitization                 | : | <p>Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals., guinea pig<br/>Not expected to cause sensitization based on expert review of the properties of the substance.</p> <p>Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals. There are no reports of human respiratory sensitization.</p> |
| Repeated dose toxicity             | : | <p>Inhalation<br/>rat</p> <p>No toxicologically significant effects were found.</p>   |
| Carcinogenicity                    | : | <p>Overall weight of evidence indicates that the substance is not carcinogenic.<br/>An increased incidence of benign tumours was observed in laboratory animals.</p>  |
| Mutagenicity                       | : | <p>Did not cause genetic damage in animals.<br/>Did not cause genetic damage in cultured mammalian cells.<br/>Did not cause genetic damage in cultured bacterial cells.</p>   |
| Reproductive toxicity              | : | <p>Animal testing showed no reproductive toxicity.</p>  |
| Teratogenicity                     | : | <p>Animal testing showed effects on embryo-fetal development at levels equal to or above those causing maternal toxicity.</p>   |
| Further information                | : | <p>Cardiac sensitisation threshold limit : 312975 mg/m3</p>   |
| Difluoromethane (HFC-32)<br>Dermal | : | <p>not applicable</p>   |



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| Oral   | : | not applicable  |
| Inhalation 4 h LC50  | : | > 520000 ppm , rat  |
| Inhalation Low Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (LOAEC) | : | > 300000 ppm , dog  |
| Skin irritation  | : | No skin irritation, Not tested on animals<br>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<br>Not expected to cause eye irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.   |
| Skin sensitization   | : | Not tested on animals<br>Not expected to cause sensitization based on expert review of the properties of the substance.<br><br>There are no reports of human respiratory sensitization. |
| Repeated dose toxicity                                       | : | Inhalation<br>rat<br><br>No toxicologically significant effects were found.   |
| Carcinogenicity  | : | Overall weight of evidence indicates that the substance is not carcinogenic.  |
| Mutagenicity   | : | Did not cause genetic damage in animals.<br>Did not cause genetic damage in cultured mammalian cells.<br>Did not cause genetic damage in cultured bacterial cells.                      |
| Reproductive toxicity  | : | Animal testing showed no reproductive toxicity.<br>Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.   |
| Teratogenicity   | : | Animal testing showed no developmental toxicity.  |
| Further information  | : | Cardiac sensitisation threshold limit : > 638000 mg/m3  |

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Dermal : not applicable



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| Oral   | : | not applicable  |
| Inhalation 4 h LC50  | : | 277018 ppm , rat<br>Target Organs: Respiratory Tract, Central nervous system<br>Irritating to respiratory system.<br>Central nervous system depression<br>Narcosis        |
| Inhalation Low Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (LOAEC) | : | 150000 ppm , dog<br>Cardiac sensitization   |
| Skin irritation  | : | No skin irritation, Not tested on animals<br>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<br>Not expected to cause eye irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.                               |
| Skin sensitization   | : | Not tested on animals<br>There are no reports of human skin sensitization. Not expected to cause sensitization based on expert review of the properties of the substance. |
| Repeated dose toxicity                                       | : | Inhalation<br>multiple species<br><br>No toxicologically significant effects were found.  |
| Mutagenicity   | : | Did not cause genetic damage in animals.<br>Did not cause genetic damage in cultured bacterial cells.   |
| Further information  | : | Cardiac sensitisation threshold limit : 356294 mg/m3  |

2-Methylbutane

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| Oral LD50           | : | > 2,000 mg/kg , rat  |
| Inhalation 4 h LC50 | : | 1,281.9 mg/l , rat<br>Target Organs: Central nervous system<br>Central nervous system depression<br>Narcosis |
| Inhalation 4 h LC50 | : | 70000 ppm , rat  |



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| Inhalation Low Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (LOAEC) | : | 250000 ppm , dog<br>Cardiac sensitization   |
| Skin irritation  | : | slight irritation, human  |
| Eye irritation   | : | No eye irritation, rabbit   |
| Skin sensitization   | : | Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals., guinea pig  |
| Repeated dose toxicity                                       | : | Inhalation<br>rat<br><br>No toxicologically significant effects were found.   |
| Mutagenicity   | : | Animal testing did not show any mutagenic effects.<br>Tests on bacterial or mammalian cell cultures did not show mutagenic effects. |
| Reproductive toxicity  | : | Animal testing showed no reproductive toxicity.   |
| Teratogenicity   | : | Animal testing showed no developmental toxicity.  |
| Further information  | : | Cardiac sensitisation threshold limit : 737680 mg/m3  |

**SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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| Aquatic Toxicity            |  |
| Pentafluoroethane (HFC-125) |  |
| 96 h LC50                   | : Danio rerio (zebra fish) > 200 mg/l<br>Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.          |
| 96 h LC50                   | : Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) 450 mg/l<br>Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances. |
| 96 h EC50                   | : Algae 142 mg/l<br>Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.                               |
| 48 h EC50                   | : Daphnia magna (Water flea) > 200 mg/l  |



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Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.

**1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane (HFC-134a)**

96 h LC50 : Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) 450 mg/l

72 h EC50 : Algae > 118 mg/l

Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.

48 h EC50 : Daphnia magna (Water flea) 980 mg/l

**Difluoromethane (HFC-32)**

96 h LC50 : Fish 1,507 mg/l

96 h EC50 : Algae 142 mg/l

48 h EC50 : Daphnia 652 mg/l

**Butane**

96 h LC50 : Fish (unspecified species) > 1,000 mg/l

**2-Methylbutane**

96 h LC50 : Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) 4.26 mg/l

72 h ErC50 : Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae) 25.12 mg/l

72 h ErC50 : Scenedesmus capricornutum (fresh water algae) 10.7 mg/l

72 h EbC50 : Scenedesmus capricornutum (fresh water algae) 7.51 mg/l

48 h EC50 : Daphnia magna (Water flea) 2.3 mg/l

28 d : NOEC Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) 7.6 mg/l

21 d : NOEC Daphnia magna (Water flea) 13.29 mg/l

**Environmental Fate**

**Butane**

Biodegradability : 100 %  
Readily biodegradable.

**2-Methylbutane**

Biodegradability : 71.43 %



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Readily biodegradable.

Bioaccumulation : Bioconcentration factor (BCF) : 171  
 Bioaccumulation is unlikely.

**SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- Waste Disposal : Can be used after re-conditioning. Recover by distillation or remove to a permitted waste disposal facility. Comply with applicable Federal, State/Provincial and Local Regulations.
- Environmental Hazards : Empty pressure vessels should be returned to the supplier.

**SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

- DOT UN number : 1078
- Proper shipping name : Refrigerant gas, n.o.s. (1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane, Pentafluoroethane)
- Class : 2.2
- Labelling No. : 2.2
- IATA\_C UN number : 1078
- Proper shipping name : Refrigerant gas, n.o.s. (1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane, Pentafluoroethane)
- Class : 2.2
- Labelling No. : 2.2
- IMDG UN number : 1078
- Proper shipping name : Refrigerant gas, n.o.s. (1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane, Pentafluoroethane)
- Class : 2.2
- Labelling No. : 2.2



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**SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

- SARA 313 Regulated Chemical(s) : SARA 313: 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.
- California Prop. 65 : Chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or any other harm: none known
- 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): Butane , 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): Butane , Difluoromethane

**SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

HMIS

- Health : 1
- Flammability : 0
- Reactivity/Physical hazard : 1
- PPE : Personal Protection rating to be supplied by user depending on use conditions.

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