



## **DuPont™ SUVA® 134a refrigerant**

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

### **SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking**

#### **1.1. Product identifier**

Product name : DuPont™ SUVA® 134a refrigerant

Registration number : 01-2119459374-33-0002

Synonyms : 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
HFC-134a

#### **1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

Use of the Substance/Mixture Refrigerant

#### **1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

Company : Du Pont de Nemours (Nederland) B.V.  
Baanhoekweg 22  
NL-3313 LA Dordrecht  
Netherlands

Telephone : +31-78-630.1011

E-mail address : sds-support@che.dupont.com

#### **1.4. Emergency telephone number**

Emergency telephone number : +44-(0)8456-006.640

### **SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

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

Gases under pressure, H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.  
Liquefied gas

Not a hazardous substance or mixture according to EC-directives 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC.

#### **2.2. Label elements**



Gas cylinder

Warning

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Special labelling of certain  
substances and mixtures

Contains: 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane / Contains fluorinated greenhouse gas  
covered by the Kyoto Protocol.

P410 + P403

Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

### 2.3. Other hazards

This substance is not considered to be persistent, bioaccumulating nor toxic (PBT).

This substance is not considered to be very persistent nor very bioaccumulating (vPvB).

Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing.

Rapid evaporation of the liquid may cause frostbite.

Misuse or intentional inhalation abuse may cause death without warning symptoms, due to cardiac effects.

May cause cardiac arrhythmia.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1. Substances

Registration number	Classification according Directive 67/548/EEC	Classification according Regulation 1272/2008 (CLP)	Concentration
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#### 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane (CAS-No.811-97-2) (EC-No.212-377-0)

01-2119459374-33-0002		Press. Gas H280	100 %
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### 3.2. Mixtures

not applicable

The above products are REACH compliant; Registration number(s) may not be provided because substance(s) are exempted, not yet registered under REACH or are registered under another regulatory process (biocide uses, plant protection products), etc.

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

General advice : If unconscious place in recovery position and seek medical advice. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration. If symptoms persist, call a physician.

II : First aider needs to protect himself.

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.



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- Skin contact : Take off all contaminated clothing immediately. Flush area with lukewarm water. Do not use hot water. If frostbite has occurred, call a physician.
- Eye contact : Hold eyelids apart and flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
- Ingestion : Is not considered a potential route of exposure.

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

- Symptoms : Inhalation of high concentration may cause central nervous system depression resulting in dizziness, weakness, nausea, headache and possibly unconsciousness., Anaesthetic effects, Light-headedness, Confusion, Incoordination, Drowsiness, irregular heartbeat with a strange sensation in the chest, heart thumping, apprehension, feeling of fainting, dizziness or weakness
- : Skin contact may provoke the following symptoms:, Frostbite

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

- Treatment : Do not give adrenaline or similar drugs.

## **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

### **5.1. Extinguishing media**

- Suitable extinguishing media : Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment., Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

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

- Specific hazards during firefighting : Pressure build-up. Fire or intense heat may cause violent rupture of packages.
- : Hazardous combustion products:
- : Hydrogen fluoride
- : Fluorinated compounds
- : Carbon oxides
- : Exposure to decomposition products may be a hazard to health.

### **5.3. Advice for firefighters**

- Special protective equipment for firefighters : In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus.
- : Use personal protective equipment.
- : Wear neoprene gloves during cleaning up work after a fire.
- Further information : Cool containers / tanks with water spray.

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

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



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Personal precautions : Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ventilate area, especially low or enclosed places where heavy vapours might collect. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.

### **6.2. Environmental precautions**

Environmental precautions : Should not be released into the environment.  
In accordance with local and national regulations.

### **6.3. Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Methods for cleaning up : Evaporates.

### **6.4. Reference to other sections**

For disposal instructions see section 13.

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

### **7.1. Precautions for safe handling**

Advice on safe handling : Vapours are heavier than air and may spread along floors. 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.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion : 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.

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

Requirements for storage areas and containers : Do not drag, slide or roll cylinders. 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. Keep at temperature not exceeding 52 °C. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect from contamination. Protect cylinders from damage. Keep away from direct sunlight. Store only in approved containers.

Advice on common storage : No materials to be especially mentioned. For further information see Section 10 of the safety data sheet.

Storage temperature : < 52 °C

### **7.3. Specific end use(s)**

no data available

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



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### 8.1. Control parameters

If sub-section is empty then no values are applicable.

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Type Form of exposure	Control parameters	Update	Basis	Remarks
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#### 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane (CAS-No. 811-97-2)

TWA	4,240 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 1,000 ppm	2007	EH40 WEL	
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#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane : Type of Application (Use): Workers  
Exposure routes: Inhalation  
Health Effect: Chronic effects, Systemic toxicity  
Value: 13936 mg/m<sup>3</sup>
- : Type of Application (Use): Consumers  
Exposure routes: Inhalation  
Health Effect: Chronic effects, Systemic toxicity  
Value: 2476 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

#### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane : Value: 0.1 mg/l  
Compartment: Fresh water
- : Value: 0.01 mg/l  
Compartment: Marine water
- : Value: 1 mg/l  
Compartment: Water  
Remarks: Intermittent use/release
- : Value: 0.75 mg/kg dry weight (d.w.)  
Compartment: Fresh water sediment
- : Value: 73 mg/l  
Compartment: Water  
Remarks: Sewage treatment plants

### 8.2. Exposure controls

Engineering measures : Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

Eye protection : Wear safety glasses or coverall chemical splash goggles.  
Eye protection complying with EN 166.  
or  
ANSI Z87.1  
Additionally wear a face shield where the possibility exists for face contact due to splashing, spraying or airborne contact with this material.



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	Hand protection	:	Material: Leather gloves The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed with the producers of the protective gloves.
		:	Material: Low temperature resistant gloves
		:	Protective gloves complying with EN 374. or US OSHA guidelines
		:	The choice of an appropriate glove does not only depend on its material but also on other quality features and is different from one producer to the other. Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. Also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion, and the contact time.
	Skin and body protection	:	Wear suitable protective equipment. Wear as appropriate: impervious clothing
	Protective measures	:	Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) is required if a large release occurs. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the substance at the specific workplace.
	Hygiene measures	:	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.
	Respiratory protection	:	For rescue and maintenance work in storage tanks use self-contained breathing apparatus. Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing. Respiratory protection complying with EN 137.

### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

#### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Form	: Liquefied gas
Colour	: colourless
Odour	: slight, ether-like
Freezing point	: -108 °C at 1,013 hPa
Boiling point	: -26 °C at 1,013 hPa
Flammability (solid, gas)	: The product is not flammable.
Auto-ignition temperature	: 743 °C at 1,013 hPa
Oxidizing properties	: The product is not oxidizing.
Vapour pressure	: 5,700 hPa at 20 °C
Relative density	: 4.24 at 20 °C



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Water solubility : 1 g/l at 25 °C

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water : POW: 1.06 at: 25 °C

### **9.2. Other information**

no data available

## **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

**10.1. Reactivity** : Decomposes on heating.

**10.2. Chemical stability** : The product is chemically stable.

**10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions** : Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**10.4. 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. Pressurized container: Do not pierce or burn, even after use. Temperature : > 52 °C

**10.5. Incompatible materials** : Alkali metals  
Alkaline earth metals  
Powdered metals  
Powdered metal salts

**10.6. Hazardous decomposition products** : Hazardous thermal decomposition products may include:  
Hydrogen fluoride  
Carbon oxides  
Fluorocarbons  
Carbonyl fluoride

## **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

### **11.1. Information on toxicological effects**

#### Acute inhalation toxicity

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
LC50 / 4 h rat :567000 ppm

Low Observed Adverse Effect Concentration (LOAEC) / dog :75000 ppm  
Cardiac sensitization

#### Skin irritation

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
rabbit  
Classification: Not classified as irritant  
Result: slight irritation



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Not expected to cause skin irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.

human

Classification: Not classified as irritant

Result: No skin irritation

Eye irritation

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane

rabbit

Classification: Not classified as irritant

Result: slight irritation

Not expected to cause eye irritation based on expert review of the properties of the substance.

human

Classification: Not classified as irritant

Result: No eye irritation

Sensitisation

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane

guinea pig

Classification: Not a skin sensitizer.

Result: Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals.

Not expected to cause sensitization based on expert review of the properties of the substance.

Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals. There are no reports of human respiratory sensitization.

Repeated dose toxicity

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane

Inhalation rat

No toxicologically significant effects were found.

Mutagenicity assessment

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane

Animal testing did not show any mutagenic effects. Tests on bacterial or mammalian cell cultures did not show mutagenic effects.

Carcinogenicity assessment

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane

Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

Toxicity to reproduction assessment

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane

No toxicity to reproduction

Further information



Cardiac sensitisation threshold limit : 312975 mg/m3

Avoid skin contact with leaking liquid (danger of frostbite). Inhalation of decomposition products in high





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**II** concentration may cause shortness of breath (lung oedema).

### **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

#### **12.1. Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
LC50 / 96 h / Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout): 450 mg/l

Toxicity to aquatic plants

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
EC50 / 72 h / Algae: > 118 mg/l  
Information given is based on data obtained from similar substances.

Toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
EC50 / 48 h / Daphnia magna (Water flea): 980 mg/l

#### **12.2. Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
/ 28 d  
Biodegradation: 3 %  
Not readily biodegradable.

#### **12.3. Bioaccumulative potential**

Bioaccumulation

- 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
Bioaccumulation is unlikely.

#### **12.4. Mobility in soil**

Mobility in soil

**II** Koc: 37.26

#### **12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

PBT and vPvB assessment

This substance is not considered to be persistent, bioaccumulating nor toxic (PBT). / This substance is not considered to be very persistent nor very bioaccumulating (vPvB).

#### **12.6. Other adverse effects**

Ozone depletion potential



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Global warming potential (GWP)

1300

**Additional ecological information**

IPCC - TAR (Third Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) - 2001

**SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

**13.1. Waste treatment methods**

Product : Can be used after re-conditioning.  
If re-conditioning is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations.

Contaminated packaging : Empty pressure vessels should be returned to the supplier.

If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations.

**SECTION 14: Transport information**

**ADR**

14.1. UN number: 3159  
14.2. UN proper shipping name: 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 2  
14.5. Environmental hazards:  
14.6. Special precautions for user:  
Tunnel restriction code: (C/E)

**IATA\_C**

14.1. UN number: 3159  
14.2. UN proper shipping name: 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 2.2  
14.5. Environmental hazards :  
14.6. Special precautions for user:  
no data available

**IMDG**

14.1. UN number: 3159  
14.2. UN proper shipping name: 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane  
14.3. Transport hazard class(es): 2.2  
14.5. Environmental hazards :  
14.6. Special precautions for user:  
no data available

**14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code**

not applicable

**SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

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

Other regulations : Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of



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workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work.

**15.2. Chemical Safety Assessment**

A Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out for this substance.

**SECTION 16: Other information**

**Full text of H-Statements referred to under section 3.**

H280 Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

**Further information**

An Exposure Scenario (ES) is not required.

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