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**SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product name : Genetron® AZ-20 (R-410A)

MSDS Number : 00000009881

Product Use Description : Refrigerant

Company : Honeywell International Inc.  
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**527-3887**  
:  
: (24 hours/day, 7 days/week)

**SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****Emergency Overview**

Form : Liquefied gas

Color : colourless

Odor : weak

Hazard Summary : Warning! Container under pressure. This product is not flammable at ambient temperatures and atmospheric pressure. Gas reduces oxygen available for breathing. Causes asphyxiation in high concentrations. The victim will not realize that he/she is suffocating. Inhalation may cause central nervous system effects. May cause cardiac arrhythmia. May cause drowsiness and dizziness. Do not breathe vapour. Irritating to eyes and skin. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. At higher temperatures, (>250 C),

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decomposition products may include hydrofluoric acid (HF) and carbonyl halides. The ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (2007) for Hydrogen Fluoride are TLV-TWA 0.5 ppm and Ceiling Exposure Limit 2 ppm.

**Potential Health Effects**

- Skin** : Avoid skin contact with leaking liquid (danger of frostbite).  
May cause frostbite.  
Irritating to skin.
- Eyes** : Causes serious eye irritation.  
May cause frostbite.
- Ingestion** : Unlikely route of exposure.  
Effects due to ingestion may include:  
Gastrointestinal discomfort
- Inhalation** : Gas reduces oxygen available for breathing.  
Causes asphyxiation in high concentrations. The victim will not realize that he/she is suffocating.  
Inhalation may cause central nervous system effects.  
May cause cardiac arrhythmia.  
Vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness.
- Chronic Exposure** : None known.

**Carcinogenicity**

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP, IARC, or OSHA.

**SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Chemical nature : Mixture

Chemical Name	CAS-No.	Concentration
Pentafluoroethane	354-33-6	50.00 %

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Difluoromethane

75-10-5

50.00 %

**SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

- Inhalation : Move to fresh air. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration. Use oxygen as required, provided a qualified operator is present. Call a physician. Do not give drugs from adrenaline-ephedrine group.
- Skin contact : After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. If there is evidence of frostbite, bathe (do not rub) with lukewarm (not hot) water. If water is not available, cover with a clean, soft cloth or similar covering. If symptoms persist, call a physician.
- Eye contact : Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In case of frostbite water should be lukewarm, not hot. If symptoms persist, call a physician.
- Ingestion : Unlikely route of exposure. As this product is a gas, refer to the inhalation section. Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. Call a physician immediately.

**Notes to physician**

- Treatment : Because of the possible disturbances of cardiac rhythm, catecholamine drugs, such as epinephrine, should be used with special caution and only in situations of emergency life support. Treatment of overexposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical conditions. Treat frost-bitten areas as needed.

**SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

- Suitable extinguishing media : The product is not flammable.  
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.  
Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
- Specific hazards during : Contents under pressure.

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## firefighting

This product is not flammable at ambient temperatures and atmospheric pressure.  
However, this material can ignite when mixed with air under pressure and exposed to strong ignition sources.  
Container may rupture on heating.  
Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray.  
Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.  
Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing.  
In case of fire hazardous decomposition products may be produced such as:  
Hydrogen halides  
Hydrogen fluoride  
Carbon monoxide  
Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)  
Carbonyl halides

Special protective equipment for firefighters : In the event of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes.  
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit.  
No unprotected exposed skin areas.

**SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions : Immediately evacuate personnel to safe areas.  
Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.  
Wear personal protective equipment. Unprotected persons must be kept away.  
Remove all sources of ignition.  
Avoid skin contact with leaking liquid (danger of frostbite).  
Ventilate the area.  
After release, disperses into the air.  
Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing.  
Avoid accumulation of vapours in low areas.  
Unprotected personnel should not return until air has been tested and determined safe.  
Ensure that the oxygen content is  $\geq 19.5\%$ .

Environmental precautions : Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.  
The product evaporates readily.

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Methods for cleaning up : Ventilate the area.

**SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****Handling**

Handling : Handle with care.  
Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.  
Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.  
Wear personal protective equipment.  
Use only in well-ventilated areas.  
Pressurized container. Protect from sunlight and do not expose to temperatures exceeding 50 °C.  
Follow all standard safety precautions for handling and use of compressed gas cylinders.  
Use authorized cylinders only.  
Protect cylinders from physical damage.  
Do not puncture or drop cylinders, expose them to open flame or excessive heat.  
Do not pierce or burn, even after use. Do not spray on a naked flame or any incandescent material.  
Do not remove screw cap until immediately ready for use.  
Always replace cap after use.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion : The product is not flammable.  
Can form a combustible mixture with air at pressures above atmospheric pressure.

**Storage**

Requirements for storage areas and containers : Pressurized container: protect from sunlight and do not expose to temperatures exceeding 50 °C. Do not pierce or burn, even after use.  
Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.  
Storage rooms must be properly ventilated.  
Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.  
Protect cylinders from physical damage.  
Store away from incompatible substances.

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

- Protective measures : Do not breathe vapour.  
Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.  
Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
- Engineering measures : General room ventilation is adequate for storage and handling.  
Perform filling operations only at stations with exhaust ventilation facilities.
- Eye protection : Wear as appropriate:  
Safety glasses with side-shields  
If splashes are likely to occur, wear:  
Goggles or face shield, giving complete protection to eyes
- Hand protection : Leather gloves  
In case of contact through splashing:  
Protective gloves  
Neoprene gloves  
Polyvinyl alcohol or nitrile- butyl-rubber gloves
- Skin and body protection : Avoid skin contact with leaking liquid (danger of frostbite).  
Wear cold insulating gloves/ face shield/ eye protection.
- Respiratory protection : In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment.  
Wear a positive-pressure supplied-air respirator.  
Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing.  
For rescue and maintenance work in storage tanks use self-contained breathing apparatus.
- Hygiene measures : Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.  
Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.  
Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.  
Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use.  
Keep working clothes separately.
- Hygiene measures : Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.  
Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.  
When using do not eat, drink or smoke.

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Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use.  
 Keep working clothes separately.  
 Do not breathe vapour.  
 Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

**Exposure Guidelines**

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Update	Basis
Difluoromethane	75-10-5	TWA : time weighted average	(1,000 ppm)	1994	Honeywell:Limit established by Honeywell International Inc.
Difluoromethane	75-10-5	TWA : time weighted average	2,200 mg/m3 (1,000 ppm)	2007	WEEL:US. AIHA Workplace Environmental Exposure Level (WEEL) Guides
Pentafluoroethane	354-33-6	TWA : time weighted average	(1,000 ppm)		Honeywell:Limit established by Honeywell International Inc.
Pentafluoroethane	354-33-6	TWA : time weighted average	4,900 mg/m3 (1,000 ppm)	2007	WEEL:US. AIHA Workplace Environmental Exposure Level (WEEL) Guides

**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Physical state : Liquefied gas  
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pH	:	Note: neutral
Melting point/freezing point	:	Note: not determined
Boiling point/boiling range	:	-48.5 °C
Flash point	:	Note: not applicable
Evaporation rate	:	> 1 Method: Compared to CCl <sub>4</sub> .
lower flammability limit	:	Note: None
upper flammability limit	:	Note: None
Vapor pressure	:	14,844 hPa at 21.1 °C(70.0 °F) 33,798 hPa at 54.4 °C(129.9 °F)
Vapor density	:	3 Note: (Air = 1.0)
Density	:	1.08 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 21.1 °C
Water solubility	:	Note: no data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	:	log Pow: 1.48 Test substance: Ethane, pentafluoro- (HFC-125)  log Pow: 0.21 Test substance: Difluoromethane (HFC-32)
Ignition temperature	:	> 750 °C

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Decomposition temperature : &gt; 250 °C

Global warming potential (GWP) : 1,975

Ozone depletion potential (ODP) : 0

**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Chemical stability : Stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions : Hazardous polymerisation does not occur.

Conditions to avoid : Pressurized container. Protect from sunlight and do not expose to temperatures exceeding 50 °C.  
Decomposes under high temperature.  
Some risk may be expected of corrosive and toxic decomposition products.  
Can form a combustible mixture with air at pressures above atmospheric pressure.  
Do not mix with oxygen or air above atmospheric pressure.Incompatible materials to avoid : Finely divided aluminium  
Potassium  
Calcium  
Powdered metals  
Aluminium  
Magnesium  
ZincHazardous decomposition products : In case of fire hazardous decomposition products may be produced such as:  
Hydrogen fluoride  
Carbonyl halides  
Carbon monoxide  
Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)**SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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## Acute inhalation toxicity

Pentafluoroethane : > 769000 ppm  
Exposure time: 4 h  
Species: rat

Difluoromethane : LC50: > 520000 ppm  
Exposure time: 4 h  
Species: rat

## Sensitisation

Pentafluoroethane : Cardiac sensitization  
Species: dogs  
Note: No-observed-effect level  
75 000 ppm  
Lowest observable effect level  
100 000 ppm

Difluoromethane : Cardiac sensitization  
Species: dogs  
Note: No-observed-effect level  
>350 000 ppm

## Repeated dose toxicity

Pentafluoroethane : Species: rat  
Application Route: Inhalation  
Exposure time: (4 Weeks)  
NOEL: 50000 ppm  
Subchronic toxicity

Difluoromethane : Species: rat  
Application Route: Inhalation  
Exposure time: (90 d)  
NOEL: 50000 ppm  
Subchronic toxicity

## Genotoxicity in vitro

Pentafluoroethane : Test Method: Ames test  
Result: negative

Difluoromethane : Test Method: Ames test  
Result: negative

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- : Cell type: Human lymphocytes  
Result: negative
- : Cell type: Chinese Hamster Ovary Cells  
Result: negative
- : Cell type: Human lymphocytes  
Result: negative  
Method: Mutagenicity (in vitro mammalian cytogenetic test)
- : Test Method: Chromosome aberration test in vitro  
Result: negative
- Genotoxicity in vivo  
Difluoromethane : Species: mouse  
Cell type: Bone marrow  
Method: Mutagenicity (micronucleus test)  
Result: negative
- Teratogenicity  
Pentafluoroethane : Species: rabbit  
Application Route: Inhalation exposure  
NOAEL, Teratog: 50,000 ppm  
NOAEL, Maternal: 50,000 ppm  
Note: Did not show teratogenic effects in animal experiments.
- Species: rat  
Application Route: Inhalation exposure  
NOAEL, Teratog: 50,000 ppm  
NOAEL, Maternal: 50,000 ppm  
Note: Did not show teratogenic effects in animal experiments.
- Difluoromethane : Species: rat  
Dose: NOEL - 50,000 ppm  
Note: Did not show teratogenic effects in animal experiments.
- Species: rabbit  
Dose: NOEL - 50,000 ppm  
Note: Did not show teratogenic effects in animal experiments.

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Further information : Acute toxicity Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing. Rapid evaporation of the liquid may cause frostbite. May cause cardiac arrhythmia.

**SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Biodegradability  
Pentafluoroethane : Result: Not readily biodegradable.  
Value: 5 %  
Method: OECD 301 D

Difluoromethane : Note: Minimal

**Further information on ecology**

Additional ecological information : This product is subject to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clean Air Act Regulations at 40 CFR Part 82. This product contains greenhouse gases which may contribute to global warming. Do NOT vent to the atmosphere. To comply with provisions of the U.S. Clean Air Act, any residual must be recovered.

**SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Disposal methods : Observe all Federal, State, and Local Environmental regulations.

Note : This product is subject to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clean Air Act Regulations Section 608 in 40 CFR Part 82 regarding refrigerant recycling.

**SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**TDG** UN/ID No. : UN 3163

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	Proper shipping name	:	LIQUEFIED GAS, N.O.S. (PENTAFLUOROETHANE, DIFLUOROMETHANE)
	Class	:	2.2
	Packing group	:	
	Hazard Labels	:	2.2
<b>IATA</b>	UN/ID No.	:	UN 3163
	Description of the goods	:	LIQUEFIED GAS, N.O.S. (Pentafluoroethane, Difluoromethane)
	Class	:	2.2
	Hazard Labels	:	2.2
	Packing instruction (cargo aircraft)	:	200
	Packing instruction (passenger aircraft)	:	200
<b>IMDG</b>	UN/ID No.	:	UN 3163
	Description of the goods	:	LIQUEFIED GAS, N.O.S. (PENTAFLUOROETHANE, DIFLUOROMETHANE)
	Class	:	2.2
	Hazard Labels	:	2.2
	EmS Number	:	F-C, S-V
	Marine pollutant	:	no

**SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION****Inventories**

US. Toxic Substances Control Act : On TSCA Inventory

Australia. Industrial Chemical (Notification and Assessment) Act : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

Canada. Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA). Domestic Substances List (DSL) : All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL.

Japan. Kashin-Hou Law List : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

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Korea. Toxic Chemical Control Law (TCCL) List : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

Philippines. The Toxic Substances and Hazardous and Nuclear Waste Control Act : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

China. Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

NZIOC - New Zealand : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

**National regulatory information**

**WHMIS Classification** : A: Compressed Gas  
This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the CPR and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

**WHMIS**

WHMIS Ingredient Disclosure List IDL: No component is listed on the WHMIS ingredients disclosure list.

**NPRI**

<b>Components</b>	:	1-Chloro-1,2,2,2-tetrafluoroethane	2837-89-0
	:	Chloromethane	74-87-3
	:	Dichloromethane	75-09-2

**Global warming potential** : 1,975

**Ozone depletion potential (ODP)** : 0

**SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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NFPA

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Health hazard	:	1	2
Flammability	:	1	1
Physical Hazard	:	0	
Instability	:		0

Hazard rating and rating systems (e.g. HMIS® III, NFPA): This information is intended solely for the use of individuals trained in the particular system.

**Further information**

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