

Praxair Material Safety Data Sheet

1. Chemical Product and Company Identification

Product Name: Hydrogen bromide, anhydrous (MSDS No. P-4605-G)	Trade Names: Hydrogen bromide
Chemical Name: Hydrogen bromide	Synonyms: Hydrobromic acid, anhydrous hydrobromic acid
Chemical Family: Inorganic halide	Product Grades: 2.8, 4.5 –Semiconductor Process Gas
Telephone:	Company Name: Praxair, Inc. 39 Old Ridgebury Road Danbury, CT 06810-5113
Emergencies: 1-800-645-4633* CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300* Routine: 1-800-PRAXAIR	

*Call emergency numbers 24 hours a day only for spills, leaks, fire, exposure, or accidents involving this product. For routine information, contact your supplier, Praxair sales representative, or call 1-800-PRAXAIR (1-800-772-9247).

2. Hazards Identification

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW



**DANGER! Toxic, corrosive liquid and gas under pressure.
Harmful or fatal if inhaled.**

**Can cause eye, skin, and respiratory tract burns.
Self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing
must be worn by rescue workers.**



Under ambient conditions, this colorless gas has a very irritating odor.

OSHA REGULATORY STATUS: This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communications Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

Effects of a Single (Acute) Overexposure

Inhalation. Overexposure to vapor concentrations moderately above the Threshold Limit Value (TLV) of 3 ppm irritates the upper respiratory tract. Intolerable concentrations range from 50-100 ppm for 60 minutes to 10-50 ppm for several hours. High concentrations (greater than 50 ppm) severely irritate the respiratory tract, causing the throat to burn and producing choking and coughing. Pulmonary edema, general lung injury, and ulceration of the nose, throat, and larynx may also occur. Exposure to concentrations of 1500-2000 ppm for a few minutes is life-threatening. At higher concentrations, victim may suffocate from lack of oxygen.

Skin Contact. May severely irritate the skin, causing ulceration, chemical burns, and scarring. Repeated exposure may produce cumulative dermatitis. With prolonged or widespread contact, the skin may absorb potentially harmful amounts of material.

Swallowing. A highly unlikely route of exposure. This product is a gas at normal temperature and pressure. Highly toxic. May cause chemical burns of the mouth, throat, esophagus, and stomach, with severe abdominal and chest pain, nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, dizziness, drowsiness, weakness, circulatory collapse, and coma.

Eye Contact. May cause pain, tearing, and photophobia. The severity of injury depends on the concentration and duration of contact and may range from irritation to conjunctival edema, corneal ulceration, and blindness.

Effects of Repeated (Chronic) Overexposure. Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause tooth erosion followed by jaw necrosis. May irritate the bronchial passages, producing persistent cough and predisposing to respiratory infections. The sense of smell may be diminished.

Other Effects of Overexposure. None known.

Medical Conditions Aggravated by Overexposure. Inhalation may aggravate asthma and inflammatory or fibrotic pulmonary disease. Skin contact may aggravate an existing dermatitis.

CARCINOGENICITY: Hydrogen bromide is not listed by NTP, OSHA, and IARC.

POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: None known. For further information, see section 12, Ecological Information.

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

See section 16 for important information about mixtures.

COMPONENT	CAS NUMBER	CONCENTRATION
Hydrogen Bromide <i>*The symbol > means "greater than."</i>	10035-10-6	>99%*

4. First Aid Measures

INHALATION: Immediately remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, qualified personnel may give oxygen. Keep victim warm. Call a physician.

SKIN CONTACT: Avoid breathing vapor. Immediately flush skin with plenty of warm water while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Pay particular attention to skin under nails. Follow by applying an iced, saturated solution of Epsom salts. If not available, continue washing in water until medical attention is obtained. Discard clothing and shoes. Call a physician for all exposures.

SWALLOWING: An unlikely route of exposure. This product is a gas at normal temperature and pressure.

EYE CONTACT: Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with warm water for at least 15 minutes. Hold the eyelids open and away from the eyeballs to ensure that all surfaces are flushed thoroughly. See a physician, preferably an ophthalmologist, immediately.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN: *Keep victims of exposure under medical observation for 24-48 hours—72 hours for severe exposure. The hazards of this material are mainly due to its severely irritant and corrosive properties on skin and mucosal surfaces. There is no specific antidote. Treatment of overexposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient.*

Contact the Poison Control Center in your area for additional information on patient management and follow-up.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES: Nonflammable, toxic, corrosive gas. Hydrogen bromide cannot catch fire.

SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: Use media appropriate for surrounding fire.

PRODUCTS OF COMBUSTION: None known.

PROTECTION OF FIREFIGHTERS: DANGER! Toxic, corrosive liquid and gas under pressure. Immediately evacuate all personnel from danger area. Do not approach area without self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing. Immediately cool cylinders with water spray from maximum distance; then move them away from fire if without risk. If cylinders are leaking, reduce toxic vapors with water spray or fog. Shut off leak if without risk. Reverse flow into cylinders may cause rupture. On-site fire brigades must comply with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.156.

Specific Physical and Chemical Hazards. Heat of fire can build pressure in cylinder and cause it to rupture. No part of cylinder should be subjected to a temperature higher than 125°F (52°C). Hydrogen bromide cylinders are equipped with a pressure relief device. (Exceptions may exist where authorized by DOT.) Vapors are extremely irritating and may burn skin and eyes on contact. Contact with most metals in the presence of moisture produces flammable hydrogen.

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters. Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full fire-fighting turnout gear.

6. Accidental Release Measures

STEPS TO BE TAKEN IF MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED:

DANGER! Toxic, corrosive liquid and gas under pressure.

Personal Precautions. Immediately evacuate all personnel from danger area. Do not approach area without self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing. Reduce vapors with fog or fine water spray. Shut off leak if without risk. Ventilate area of leak or move cylinder to a well-ventilated area. Prevent runoff from contaminating the surrounding environment. Toxic, corrosive vapors may spread from spill. Before entering area, especially a confined area, check atmosphere with an appropriate device. Reverse flow into cylinders may cause rupture.

Environmental Precautions. Prevent waste from contaminating the surrounding environment. Keep personnel away. Discard any product, residue, disposable container, or liner in an environmentally acceptable manner, in full compliance with federal, state, and local regulations. If necessary, call your local supplier for assistance.

7. Handling and Storage

PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING: Do not breathe gas. Do not get vapor or liquid in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. **May form explosive mixtures with air.** Keep away from heat, sparks, and open flame. Ground all equipment. Use only spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Have safety showers and eyewash fountains immediately available. Protect

cylinders from damage. Use a suitable hand truck to move cylinders; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. Never attempt to lift a cylinder by its cap; the cap is intended solely to protect the valve. Never insert an object (e.g., wrench, screwdriver, pry bar) into cap openings; doing so may damage the valve and cause a leak. Use an adjustable strap wrench to remove over-tight or rusted caps. Open valve slowly. If valve is hard to open, discontinue use and contact your supplier. For other precautions in using hydrogen bromide, see section 16.

PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN STORAGE: Store and use with adequate ventilation. Firmly secure cylinders upright to keep them from falling or being knocked over. Screw valve protection cap firmly in place by hand. Store only where temperature will not exceed 125°F (52°C). Store full and empty cylinders separately. Use a first-in, first-out inventory system to prevent storing full cylinders for long periods.

RECOMMENDED PUBLICATIONS: For further information on storage, handling, and use, see Praxair publication P-14-153, *Guidelines for Handling Gas Cylinders and Containers*. Obtain from your local supplier.

8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

COMPONENT	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV-TWA (2008)
Hydrogen Bromide	3 ppm	2 ppm (c)*

*(c) – ceiling. Ceiling values are not Time-Weighted-Average (TWA).

TLV-TWAs should be used as a guide in the control of health hazards and not as fine lines between safe and dangerous concentrations.

IDLH = 30 ppm

ENGINEERING CONTROLS:

Local Exhaust. A corrosion-resistant system is acceptable.

Mechanical (General). Inadequate. See SPECIAL below.

Special. Use only in a closed system. A corrosion-resistant, forced-draft fume hood is preferred.

Other. See SPECIAL.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Skin Protection. Wear work gloves when handling cylinders, neoprene during cylinder changeout or wherever contact with product may occur. Metatarsal shoes for cylinder handling and protective clothing where needed. Select per OSHA 29 CFR 1910.132 and 1910.133. Regardless of protective equipment, never touch live electrical parts.

Eye/Face Protection. Wear safety glasses when handling cylinders; vapor-proof goggles and a face shield during cylinder changeout or wherever contact with product may occur. Select per OSHA 29 CFR 1910.133.

Respiratory Protection. A respiratory protection program that meet OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134, ANSI Z88.2, or MSHA 30 CFR 72.710 (where applicable) requirements must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant respirator use. Use an air-supplied or air-purifying cartridge if the action level is exceeded. Ensure the respirator has the appropriate protection factor for the exposure level. If cartridge type respirators are used, the cartridge must be appropriate for the chemical exposure (e.g., an organic vapor cartridge). For emergencies or instances with unknown exposure levels, use a self-contained breathing apparatus.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

APPEARANCE:	Colorless gas
ODOR:	Very irritating
ODOR THRESHOLD:	Not available.
PHYSICAL STATE:	Gas at normal temperature and pressure
pH:	Not applicable.
FREEZING POINT at 1 atm:	-124.26°F (-86.81°C)
BOILING POINT at 1 atm:	-88.06°F (-66.7°C)
FLASH POINT (test method):	Not applicable.
EVAPORATION RATE (Butyl Acetate = 1):	High
FLAMMABILITY:	Nonflammable
FLAMMABLE LIMITS IN AIR , % by volume:	LOWER: Not applicable. UPPER: Not applicable.
VAPOR PRESSURE at 68°F (20°C):	334.7 psia (2307 kPa, abs)
LIQUID DENSITY at -88.8°F (-67.1°C) and 1 atm:	169.3 lb/ft ³ (2717 kg/m ³)
VAPOR DENSITY at 32°F (0°C) and 1 atm:	0.23 lb/ft ³ (3.684 kg/m ³)
SPECIFIC GRAVITY (H ₂ O = 1) at 19.4°F (-7°C):	Not available.
SPECIFIC GRAVITY (Air = 1) at 77°F (25°C) and 1 atm:	2.812
SOLUBILITY IN WATER , at 68°F (20°C) and 1 atm, wt/wt solution:	0.49
PARTITION COEFFICIENT: n-octanol/water:	Not available.
AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE:	Not available.
DECOMPOSITION TEMPERATURE:	Not available.
PERCENT VOLATILES BY VOLUME:	100
MOLECULAR WEIGHT:	80.912
MOLECULAR FORMULA:	HBr

10. Stability and Reactivity

CHEMICAL STABILITY: Unstable Stable

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: None known.

INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS: Moisture, bases. Reacts with most common metals and their alloys, ammonia, strong oxidizers, and fluorine.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Bromine, hydrogen.

POSSIBILITY OF HAZARDOUS REACTIONS: May Occur Will Not Occur

Reacts with most common metals and their alloys, ammonia, strong oxidizers, and fluorine.

11. Toxicological Information

ACUTE DOSE EFFECTS: LC₅₀, 1 hr, rat = 2860 ppm

STUDY RESULTS: One study indicates nose irritation in 50% of human subjects exposed to 4 ppm hydrogen bromide.

12. Ecological Information

ECOTOXICITY: No known effects.

OTHER ADVERSE EFFECTS: Hydrogen bromide does not contain any Class I or Class II ozone-depleting chemicals.

13. Disposal Considerations

WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD: Keep waste from contaminating surrounding environment. Keep personnel away. Do not attempt to dispose of residual or unused quantities. Return cylinder to supplier.

14. Transport Information

DOT/IMO SHIPPING NAME: Hydrogen bromide, anhydrous

HAZARD CLASS:	PACKING GROUP/Zone:	IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:	PRODUCT RQ:
2.3	*NA/C	UN1048	None

SHIPPING LABEL(s): POISON GAS, CORROSIVE**

PLACARD (when required): POISON GAS, CORROSIVE**

*NA=Not applicable

**The words in the POISON GAS diamond are INHALATION HAZARD.

SPECIAL SHIPPING INFORMATION: Cylinders should be transported in a secure position, in a well-ventilated vehicle. Cylinders transported in an enclosed, nonventilated compartment of a vehicle can present serious safety hazards.

Additional Marking Requirement: INHALATION HAZARD

Shipment of compressed gas cylinders that have been filled without the owner's consent is a violation of federal law [49 CFR 173.301(b)].

MARINE POLLUTANTS: Hydrogen bromide is not listed as a marine pollutant by DOT.

15. Regulatory Information

The following selected regulatory requirements may apply to this product. Not all such requirements are identified. Users of this product are solely responsible for compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

U.S. FEDERAL REGULATIONS:

EPA (ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY)

CERCLA: COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT OF 1980 (40 CFR Parts 117 and 302):

Reportable Quantity (RQ): None

SARA: SUPERFUND AMENDMENT AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT:

SECTIONS 302/304: Require emergency planning based on Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ) and release reporting based on Reportable Quantities (RQ) of Extremely Hazardous Substances (EHS) (40 CFR Part 355):

TPQ: None

EHS RQ (40 CFR 355): None

SECTIONS 311/312: Require submission of MSDSs and reporting of chemical inventories with identification of EPA hazard categories. The hazard categories for this product are as follows:

IMMEDIATE: Yes

DELAYED: Yes

PRESSURE: Yes

REACTIVITY: Yes

FIRE: No

SECTION 313: Requires submission of annual reports of release of toxic chemicals that appear in 40 CFR Part 372.

Hydrogen bromide is not subject to reporting under Section 313.

40 CFR 68: RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR CHEMICAL ACCIDENTAL RELEASE PREVENTION: Requires development and implementation of risk management programs at facilities that manufacture, use, store, or otherwise handle regulated substances in quantities that exceed specified thresholds.

Hydrogen bromide is not listed as a regulated substance.

TSCA: TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT: Hydrogen bromide is listed on the TSCA inventory.

OSHA: OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION:

29 CFR 1910.119: **PROCESS SAFETY MANAGEMENT OF HIGHLY HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS:** Requires facilities to develop a process safety management program based on Threshold Quantities (TQ) of highly hazardous chemicals.

Hydrogen bromide is listed in Appendix A as a highly hazardous chemical in quantities of 5,000 lb (2268 kg) or greater.

STATE REGULATIONS:

CALIFORNIA: Hydrogen bromide is not listed by California under the SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (Proposition 65).

PENNSYLVANIA: Hydrogen bromide is subject to the PENNSYLVANIA WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT-TO-KNOW ACT (35 P.S. Sections 7301-7320).

16. Other Information

Be sure to read and understand all labels and instructions supplied with all containers of this product.

OTHER HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS OF HANDLING, STORAGE, AND USE: *Toxic, corrosive, liquid and gas under pressure.* Use piping and equipment adequately designed to withstand pressures to be encountered. *Prevent reverse flow.* Reverse flow into cylinder may cause rupture. Use a check valve or other protective device in any line or piping from the cylinder. *Store and use with adequate ventilation at all times.* Use only in a closed system constructed of corrosion-resistant materials. Close cylinder valve after each use; keep closed even when empty. *Follow safe practices when returning cylinder to supplier.* Be sure valve is closed; then install valve outlet cap or plug, leak-tight. *Never work on a pressurized system.* If there is a leak, close the cylinder valve. Blow the system down in a safe and environmentally sound manner in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws; then repair the leak. *Never place a compressed gas cylinder where it may become part of an electrical circuit.*

NOTE: Prior to using any plastics, confirm their compatibility with hydrogen bromide.

Mixtures. When you mix two or more gases or liquefied gases, you can create additional, unexpected hazards. Obtain and evaluate the safety information for each component before you produce the mixture. Consult an industrial hygienist or other trained person when you evaluate the end product. Remember, gases and liquids have properties that can cause serious injury or death.

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT: In semiconductor process gas and other suitable applications, Praxair recommends the use of engineering controls such as gas cabinet enclosures, automatic gas panels (used to purge systems on cylinder changeout), excess-flow valves throughout the gas distribution system, double containment for the distribution system, and continuous gas monitors.

HAZARD RATING SYSTEMS:

NFPA RATINGS:

HEALTH = 3
FLAMMABILITY = 0
INSTABILITY = 1
SPECIAL = None

HMIS RATINGS:

HEALTH = 3
FLAMMABILITY = 0
PHYSICAL HAZARD = 1

STANDARD VALVE CONNECTIONS FOR U.S. AND CANADA:

THREADED: CGA-330 connection is standard.
PIN-INDEXED YOKE: Not applicable.
ULTRA-HIGH-INTEGRITY CONNECTION: CGA-634

Use the proper CGA connections. **DO NOT USE ADAPTERS.** Additional limited-standard connections may apply. See CGA pamphlet V-1 listed below.

Ask your supplier about free Praxair safety literature as referred to in this MSDS and on the label for this product. Further information can be found in the following materials published by the Compressed Gas Association, Inc. (CGA), 4221 Walney Road, 5th Floor, Chantilly, VA 20151-2923, Telephone (703) 788-2700, <http://www.cganet.com/Publication.asp>.

P-1 *Safe Handling of Compressed Gases in Containers*
V-1 *Compressed Gas Cylinder Valve Inlet and Outlet Connections*
— *Handbook of Compressed Gases, Fourth Edition*

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