

ADDENDA

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Designation and Safety Classification of Refrigerants

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FOREWORD

Addendum t adds the zeotropic refrigerant blend R-489A to Tables 4-2 and D-2, and adds or revises toxicity values for R-50, R-1150, and R-1270 to Tables 4-1 and E-1.

Note: In this addendum, changes to the current standard are indicated in the text by <u>underlining</u> (for additions) and strikethrough (for deletions) unless the instructions specifically mention some other means of indicating the changes.

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Modify Table 4-1 as shown.

Table 4-1 Refrigerant Data and Safety Classifications

Refrigerant Number = 1150 Chemical Name = ethene (ethylene) Chemical Formula = $CH_2 = CH_2$ OEL = 200 ppm v/v Safety Group = <u>B3A3</u> LFL = 31,000 ppm v/v; 2.2 lb/1000 ft³; 36 g/m³ BV = <u>80</u> cm/s Highly Toxic or Toxic Under Code Classification = <u>Neither</u>

Modify Tables 4-2 and D-2 as shown.

Table 4-2 Data and Safety Classifications for Refrigerant Blends

Refrigerant Number = $\underline{489A}$ Composition (Mass %) = $\underline{R-50/1150/600}$ (1.5/22.0/76.5) Composition tolerances = $\underline{\pm 0.3/\pm 2.0/\pm 2.0}$ OEL = $\underline{410}$ ppm v/v Safety Group = $\underline{A3}$ RCL = $\underline{1000}$ ppm v/v; $\underline{0.12}$ lb/1000 ft³; $\underline{1.9}$ g/m³ LFL = $\underline{20,000}$ ppm v/v; $\underline{2.4}$ lb/1000 ft³; $\underline{38}$ g/m³ Highly Toxic or Toxic Under Code Classification = <u>Neither</u>

Table D-2 Data Classifications for Refrigerant Blends

Refrigerant Number = $\underline{489A}$ Composition (Mass %) = $\underline{R-50/1150/600}$ (1.5/22.0/76.5) Average Relative Molar Mass = $\underline{45.58}$ g/mol Bubble Point (°F) = $\underline{-192.5}$ Dew Point (°F) = $\underline{8.1}$ Bubble Point (°C) = $\underline{-124.7}$ Dew Point (°C) = $\underline{-13.3}$

Modify Table E-1 as shown. The remainder of Table E-1 remains unchanged.

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INFORMATIVE APPENDIX E TOXICITY AND FLAMMABILITY DATA FOR SINGLE-COMPOUND REFRIGERANTS

Table E-1 Toxicity Table for Standard 34—ATEL, ODL, FCL, and RCL Values for Single-Compound Refrigerants^a (ppm v/v)

			Car Sensiti		Anesthesia									RCL	
Refrigerant R- ^b	Chemical Name	LC ₅₀ ^{c,d}	LOEL ^e	NOEL ^e	EC ₅₀ ^f	LOEL ^g	NOEL ^h	Other ⁱ	ATEL	ODL	FCL	RCL	LFL	ATEL Source	
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<u>50</u>	methane	<u>140,000^v</u>		<u>1000</u>			<u>140,000^v</u>		<u>1000</u>	<u>140,000</u>			<u>50,000</u>	<u>100% Cardiac</u> <u>NOEL</u>	
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<u>1150</u>	ethene (ethylene)	<u>57,000</u>		<u>1000</u>			<u>10,000</u>		<u>1000</u>	<u>140,000</u>			<u>31,000</u>	<u>100% Cardiac</u> <u>NOEL</u>	
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1270	propene (propylene)	>490,000 ^t	ND	ND	ND	ND	10,000	<u>ND</u> 7200	1000	140,000	6700	1000	27,000	Sect 7.1.1 (b)	ATEL
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ND: None determined or not adequately defined according to criteria of this standard.

NA: Not applicable.

Note: The data shown in this table are rounded to three significant digits to avoid suggestion of artificial precision, but actual calculations used the data as published or converted to avoid propagation of errors in calculations, especially for blends. The ATEL and RCL concentrations are rounded to two significant figures.

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v. Simple asphyxiant. Special case where no adjustment to the LC50 or anesthesia value is needed. The ATEL for both mortality and anesthetic effects is equal to the ODL of 140,000 ppm.

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