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(g) The quality of the adsorbent material must be verified at the time of each fill to assure the pressure and chemical stability requirements of this section are met each time an adsorbed gas package is offered for transport.

(h) The adsorbent material must not meet the definition of any other hazard class.

(i) Cylinders and closures containing toxic gases with an LC50 less than or equal to 200 ml/m3 (ppm) (see the following Adsorbed Gases Table) must meet the following requirements:

(1) Valve outlets must be fitted with pressure retaining gas-tight plugs or caps having threads matching those of the valve outlets.

(2) Each valve must either be of the packless type with non-perforated diaphragm, or be of a type which prevents leakage through or past the packing.

(3) Each cylinder and closure must be tested for leakage after filling.

(4) Each valve must be capable of withstanding the test pressure of the cylinder and be directly connected to the cylinder by either a taper-thread or other means which meets the requirements of ISO 10692–2 (IBR, see §171.7 of this subchapter); and

(5) Cylinders and valves must not be fitted with a pressure relief device.

(j) Valve outlets for cylinders containing pyrophoric gases must be fitted with gas-tight plugs or caps having threads matching those of the valve outlets.

(k) The filling procedure must be in accordance with Annex A of ISO 11513 (IBR, see §171.7 of this subchapter).

(l) The maximum period for periodic requalification must be in accordance with §180.207(c) of this subchapter.

ADSORBED GASES TABLE

ID No.	Hazardous material	LC ₅₀ ml/m ³	Notes
3510 ...	Adsorbed gas, flammable, n.o.s.	z.
3511 ...	Adsorbed gas, n.o.s.	z.
3512 ...	Adsorbed gas, toxic, n.o.s.	≤5000	z.
3513 ...	Adsorbed gas, oxidizing, n.o.s.	z.
3514 ...	Adsorbed gas, toxic, flammable, n.o.s.	≤5000	z.
3515 ...	Adsorbed gas, toxic, oxidizing, n.o.s.	≤5000	z.
3516 ...	Adsorbed gas, toxic, corrosive, n.o.s.	≤5000	z.
3517 ...	Adsorbed gas, toxic, flammable, corrosive, n.o.s.	≤5000	z.
3518 ...	Adsorbed gas, toxic, oxidizing, corrosive, n.o.s.	≤5000	z.
3519 ...	Boron trifluoride, adsorbed	387	a.
3520 ...	Chlorine, adsorbed	293	a.
3521 ...	Silicon tetrafluoride, adsorbed	450	a.
3522 ...	Arsine, adsorbed	20	d.
3523 ...	Germane, adsorbed	620	d, r.
3524 ...	Phosphorus pentafluoride, adsorbed	190	
3525 ...	Phosphine, adsorbed	20	d.
3526 ...	Hydrogen selenide, adsorbed	2	

Notes:

a: Aluminum alloy cylinders must not be used.

d: When steel cylinders are used, only those bearing the “H” mark in accordance with § 173.302b(f) are authorized.

r: The filling of this gas must be limited such that, if complete decomposition occurs, the pressure does not exceed two thirds of the test pressure of the cylinder.

z: The construction materials of the cylinders and their accessories must be compatible with the contents and must not react to form harmful or dangerous compounds therewith.

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§ 173.303 Charging of cylinders with compressed gas in solution (acetylene).

(a) *Cylinder, filler and solvent requirements.* (Refer to applicable parts of Specification 8 and 8AL). Acetylene gas must be shipped in Specification 8 or 8AL cylinders (§178.59 or §178.60 of this subchapter). The cylinders shall consist of metal shells filled with a porous

material, and this material must be charged with a suitable solvent. The cylinders containing the porous material and solvent shall be successfully tested in accordance with CGA C–12 (IBR, see §171.7 of this subchapter). Representative samples of cylinders charged with acetylene must be successfully tested in accordance with CGA C–12.

(b) *Filling limits.* For DOT specification cylinders, the pressure in the cylinder containing acetylene gas may not exceed 250 psig at 70 °F. If cylinders are marked for a lower allowable charging pressure at 70 °F., that pressure must not be exceeded. For UN cylinders, the pressure in the cylinder may not exceed the limits specified in § 173.304b(b)(2).

(c) *Data requirements on filler and solvent.* Cylinders containing acetylene gas must not be shipped unless they were charged by or with the consent of the owner, and by a person, firm, or company having possession of complete information as to the nature of the porous filling, the kind and quantity of solvent in the cylinders, and the meaning of such markings on the cylinders as are prescribed by the Department's regulations and specifications applying to containers for the transportation of acetylene gas.

(d) *Verification of container pressure.* (1) Each day, the pressure in a container representative of that day's compression must be checked by the charging plant after the container has cooled to a settled temperature and a record of this test kept for at least 30 days.

(e) *Prefill requirements.* Before each filling of an acetylene cylinder, the person filling the cylinder must visually inspect the outside of the cylinder in accordance with the prefill requirements contained in CGA C-13, Section 3 (IBR, see § 171.7 of this subchapter).

(f) *UN cylinders.* (1) UN cylinders and bundles of cylinders are authorized for the transport of acetylene gas as specified in this section.

(i) Each UN acetylene cylinder must conform to ISO 3807:2013(E): (IBR, see § 171.7 of this subchapter), have a homogeneous monolithic porous mass filler and be charged with acetone or a suitable solvent as specified in the standard. UN acetylene cylinders must have a minimum test pressure of 52 bar and may be filled up to the pressure limits specified in ISO 3807:2013(E). The use of UN tubes and MEGCs is not authorized.

(ii) Until December 31, 2020, cylinders conforming to the requirements in ISO 3807-2(E) (IBR, see § 171.7 of this subchapter), having a homogeneous mono-

lithic porous mass filler and charged with acetone or a suitable solvent as specified in the standard are authorized. UN acetylene cylinders must have a minimum test pressure of 52 bar and may be filled up to the pressure limits specified in ISO 3807-2(E).

(2) UN cylinders equipped with pressure relief devices or that are manifolded together must be transported upright.

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§ 173.304 Filling of cylinders with liquefied compressed gases.

(a) *General requirements.* Except as provided in § 171.23(a)(3) of this subchapter, a cylinder filled with a liquefied compressed gas (except gas in solution) must be offered for transportation in accordance with the requirements of this section and the general requirements in § 173.301 of this subpart. In addition, a DOT specification cylinder must meet the requirement in §§ 173.301a, 173.304a, and 173.305 of this subpart, as applicable. UN pressure receptacles must be shipped in accordance with the requirements in §§ 173.301b and 173.304b of this subpart, as applicable.

(1) A DOT 3AL cylinder may not be used for any material with a primary or subsidiary hazard of Class 8.

(2) Shipments of Division 2.1 materials in aluminum cylinders are authorized only when transported by motor vehicle, rail car, or cargo-only aircraft.

(b) *Filling limits.* Except for carbon dioxide; 1,1-Difluoroethylene (R-1132A); nitrous oxide; and vinyl fluoride, inhibited, the liquid portion of a liquefied gas may not completely fill the packaging at any temperature up to and including 55 °C (131 °F). The liquid portion of vinyl fluoride, inhibited, may completely fill the cylinder at 55 °C (131 °F) provided the pressure at the critical temperature does not exceed 1.25 times the service pressure of the cylinder.