
**Gaseous fire-extinguishing systems —
Physical properties and system
design —**

**Part 8:
HFC 125 extinguishant**

*Systèmes d'extinction d'incendie utilisant des agents gazeux —
Propriétés physiques et conception des systèmes —*

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Gaseous fire-extinguishing systems — Physical properties and system design —

Part 8: HFC 125 extinguishant

1 Scope

This document contains specific requirements for gaseous fire-extinguishing systems, with respect to the HFC 125 extinguishant. It includes details of physical properties, specifications, usage and safety aspects.

This document is applicable to systems operating at nominal pressures of 25 bar and 42 bar, superpressurized with nitrogen. This does not preclude the use of other systems.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 14520-1:2015, *Gaseous fire-extinguishing systems — Physical properties and system design — Part 1: General requirements*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 14520-1 apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

4 Characteristics and uses

4.1 General

Extinguishant HFC 125 shall comply with the specification shown in [Table 1](#).

HFC 125 is a colourless, almost odourless, electrically non-conductive gas, with a density approximately four times that of air.

The physical properties are shown in [Table 2](#).

HFC 125 extinguishes fires mainly by physical means, but also by some chemical means.

Table 1 — Specification for HFC 125

Property	Requirement
Purity	99,6 % by mass, min.