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Important Safety Warning: Flammable Refrigerants

Unfortunately we are seeing persistent attempts to market flammable refrigerants into retrofit applications, and as so-called 'drop-in' replacements.

This practice can be highly dangerous, and could place your staff, your customers and the general public at risk of death or serious injury.

Flammable refrigerants should only be used in equipment specifically designed for their safe use, or in accordance with advice from the equipment manufacturer.

The explosion at the Tamahere cold store in New Zealand is a real and tragic example of what can happen when flammable refrigerants are used as so-called 'drop-in' replacements for equipment not specifically designed for their safe use.

In this case a hydrocarbon refrigerant was used as a 'drop-in' replacement for equipment designed to operate on R22.

The result was the largest industrial fire in New Zealand's history, with the death of one firefighter and the serious injury of a number of others.

You can see the results here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H-sQqaufYVs>

For safety's sake, do not use flammable refrigerants in equipment not specifically designed for their safe use.