

Question # 78485, Chemistry / General Chemistry

Hess's Law states that _____.

- A. the enthalpy of a given substance is independent of the way it was made
- B. the enthalpy of a given substance depends on the way it was made
- C. ΔH is the change in entropy that occurs in a chemical reaction
- D. $\Delta H_o = \Sigma \Delta H_{fo} \text{ (reactants)} - \Sigma \Delta H_{fo} \text{ (products)}$
- E. None of the Above

Solution: The law states that the total enthalpy change during the complete course of a chemical reaction is the same whether the reaction is made in one step or in several steps.

Hess's law states that enthalpy changes are additive. Thus the ΔH for a single reaction

$$\Delta H_o = \Sigma \Delta H_{fo} \text{ (products)} - \Sigma \Delta H_{fo} \text{ (reactants)}$$

Answer: A

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hess%27s_law

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