

SAFETY DATA SHEET

2323

Product Name **BENZENE 20PPM, TOLUENE 20PPM, P-XYLENE 20PPM IN NITROGEN**

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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Synonym(s) 2323 - MSDS NUMBER • PRODUCT CODES: 288- • SPECIAL GAS MIXTURE
Use(s) CALIBRATION • INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS
SDS date 08 January 2014

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

NOT CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

RISK PHRASES

None allocated

SAFETY PHRASES

None allocated

CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE

UN number	1956	DG division	2.2
Packing group	None Allocated	Subsidiary risk(s)	None Allocated
Hazchem code	2TE		

3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredient	Identification	Classification	Content
BENZENE	CAS: 71-43-2 EC: 200-753-7	F;R11 Xi;R36/38 Carc.;R45 Muta.;R46 T;R48/23/24/25 Xn;R65	0.002%
P-XYLENE	CAS: 106-42-3 EC: 203-396-5	F;R10 Xn;R20/21 Xi;R38	0.002%
TOLUENE	CAS: 108-88-3 EC: 203-625-9	F;R11 Xi;R38 Xn;R48/20 Repr.;R63 Xn;R65 Xn;R67	0.002%
NITROGEN	CAS: 7727-37-9 EC: 231-783-9	Not Available	Remainder

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye None required.

Inhalation If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. To protect rescuer, use an Air-line respirator or Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. Give oxygen if

	available. For advice, contact a Poison Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor.
Skin	None required.
Ingestion	Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.
Advice to doctor	Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammability	Non flammable.
Fire and explosion	Temperatures in a fire may cause cylinders to rupture. Cool cylinders or containers exposed to fire by applying water from a protected location. Remove cool cylinders from the path of the fire. Evacuate the area if unable to keep cylinders cool. Do not approach cylinders or containers suspected of being hot.
Extinguishing	Use water fog to cool containers from protected area.
Hazchem code	2TE 2 Water Fog (or fine water spray if fog unavailable) T Self Contained Breathing apparatus and protective gloves. E Evacuation of people in the vicinity of the incident should be considered.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions	If the cylinder is leaking, evacuate area of personnel. Inform manufacturer/supplier of leak. Use personal protective equipment as detailed in Section 8 of this SDS.
Environmental precautions	Prevent from entering sewers, basements and workpits, or any place where its accumulation can be dangerous.
Methods of cleaning up	Carefully move material to a well ventilated remote area, then allow to discharge if safe to do so. Do not attempt to repair leaking valve or cylinder safety devices.
References	See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

7. STORAGE AND HANDLING

Storage	Cylinders should be stored below 45°C in a secure area, upright and restrained to prevent cylinders from falling. Cylinders should also be stored in a dry, well ventilated area constructed of non-combustible material with firm level floor (preferably concrete), away from areas of heavy traffic and emergency exits.
Handling	Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid inhalation. Do not drag, drop, slide or roll cylinders. The uncontrolled release of a gas under pressure may cause physical harm. Use a suitable hand truck for cylinder movement.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure standards

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m ³	ppm	mg/m ³
Benzene	SWA (AUS)	1	3.2	--	--
Nitrogen	SWA (AUS)	Asphyxiant			
Toluene	SWA (AUS)	50	191	150	574
p-Xylene	SWA (AUS)	80	350	150	655

Biological limits

Ingredient	Reference	Determinant	Sampling Time	BEI
BENZENE	ACGIH BEI	S-Phenylmercapturic acid in urine	End of shift	25 ug/g creatinine
	ACGIH BEI	t,t-Muconic acid in urine	End of shift	500 ug/g creatine
P-XYLENE	ACGIH BEI	Methylhippuric acids in urine	End of shift	1.5 g/g creatinine
TOLUENE	ACGIH BEI	o-Cresol in urine	End of shift	0.02 mg/L
	ACGIH BEI	Toluene in urine	End of shift	0.03 mg/L
	ACGIH BEI	Toluene in blood	Prior to last shift of workweek	0.02 mg/L

Engineering controls

Provide suitable ventilation to minimise or eliminate exposure. Confined areas (eg. tanks) should be adequately ventilated or gas tested. Maintain vapour levels below the recommended exposure standard.

PPE

Eye / Face

Wear safety glasses.

Hands

Wear leather gloves.

Body

Wear coveralls and safety boots.

Respiratory

Where an inhalation risk exists, wear Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) or an Air-line respirator.



9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	COLOURLESS GAS
Odour	ODOURLESS
Flammability	NON FLAMMABLE
Flash point	NOT RELEVANT
Boiling point	NOT RELEVANT
Melting point	NOT RELEVANT
Evaporation rate	NOT APPLICABLE
pH	NOT APPLICABLE
Vapour density	0.97 (Nitrogen) (Air = 1)
Specific gravity	NOT APPLICABLE
Solubility (water)	INSOLUBLE
Vapour pressure	NOT AVAILABLE
Upper explosion limit	NOT RELEVANT
Lower explosion limit	NOT RELEVANT
Explosive properties	NOT AVAILABLE
Oxidising properties	NOT AVAILABLE
% Volatiles	100 %

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability	Stable under recommended conditions of storage.
Conditions to avoid	Avoid shock, friction, heavy impact, heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.
Material to avoid	Compatible with most commonly used materials.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	This material will not decompose to form hazardous products other than that already present.
Hazardous Reactions	Polymerization will not occur.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Health Hazard Summary

Asphyxiant gas. Symptoms of exposure are directly related to displacement of oxygen. As the amount of oxygen inhaled is reduced from 21-14% volume, the pulse rate may accelerate and the rate and volume of breathing may increase. The ability to maintain attention and think clearly is diminished, muscular co-ordination is somewhat disturbed. As oxygen decreases from 14-10% volume, judgement becomes faulty, severe injuries may result in no pain. Muscular effort may lead to rapid fatigue. Further reduction to 6% may result in nausea and vomiting. Ability to move may be lost. Permanent brain damage may result even after resuscitation from exposure to this low level of oxygen. Below 6% breathing is in gasps and convulsions may occur. Inhalation of a mixture containing no oxygen may result in unconsciousness from the first breath and death may follow in minutes.

Eye

Non irritant.

Inhalation

Asphyxiant. Effects are proportional to oxygen displacement. Acts as a simple asphyxiant by displacing oxygen in the lungs thereby diminishing the supply of oxygen to the blood and tissues.

Skin

Non irritant.

Ingestion

Ingestion is considered unlikely due to product form.

Toxicity data

BENZENE (71-43-2)	
LC50 (inhalation)	9980 ppm (mouse)
LCLo (inhalation)	2 ppm/5 minutes (human)
LD50 (ingestion)	930 mg/kg (rat)
LD50 (intraperitoneal)	2890 µg/kg (rat)
LD50 (skin)	48 mg/kg (mouse)
LDLo (ingestion)	50 mg/kg (man)
LDLo (subcutaneous)	1400 mg/kg (frog)
TCLo (inhalation)	100 ppm (human)
TDLo (ingestion)	52000 mg/kg/52 weeks (rat)
P-XYLENE (106-42-3)	
LC50 (inhalation)	4550 ppm/4 hours (rat)
LCLo (inhalation)	15000 mg/m ³ (mouse)
LD50 (ingestion)	5000 mg/kg (rat)
LD50 (intraperitoneal)	2.45 mL/kg (mouse)
LDLo (intraperitoneal)	2000 mg/kg (mamal)
LDLo (subcutaneous)	5000 mg/kg (mamal)
TCLo (inhalation)	150 mg/m ³ /24 hours (pregnant rat)
TDLo (ingestion)	12 mg/kg (pregnant mouse)
TOLUENE (108-88-3)	
LC50 (inhalation)	400 ppm/24 hours (mouse)
LCLo (inhalation)	1600 ppm (guinea pig)
LD50 (ingestion)	636 mg/kg (rat)
LD50 (skin)	14100 µL/kg (rabbit)
LDLo (ingestion)	50 mg/kg (human)
TCLo (inhalation)	50 ppm (man)
TDLo (ingestion)	400 mg/kg (rat)

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

No information provided.

Persistence and degradability

No information provided.

Bioaccumulative potential

No information provided.

Mobility in soil

No information provided.

Other adverse effects

Product is not harmful to the environment.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste disposal

Cylinders should be returned to the manufacturer or supplier for disposal of contents.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
UN number	1956	-	-
Proper shipping name	COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S.	-	-
DG class/ Division	2.2	-	-
Subsidiary risk(s)	None Allocated	-	-
Packing group	None Allocated	-	-
GTEPG	2C1		
Hazchem code	2TE		
Other information	Ensure cylinder is separated from driver and that outlet of relief device is not obstructed. Refer to Commonwealth, State and Territory Dangerous Goods Legislation which contain requirements which affect gas storage and transport.		

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Poison schedule	A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).
Inventory Listing(s)	AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances) All components are listed on AICS, or are exempt.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Additional information	The storage of significant quantities of gas cylinders must comply with AS4332 The storage and handling of gases in cylinders. APPLICATION METHOD: Gas regulator of suitable pressure and flow rating fitted to cylinder or manifold with low pressure gas distribution to equipment. PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES: The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made. HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE: It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a ChemAlert report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.
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Product Name**BENZENE 20PPM, TOLUENE 20PPM, P-XYLENE 20PPM IN NITROGEN****Abbreviations**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
CAS #	Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds
CNS	Central Nervous System
EC No.	EC No - European Community Number
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose
mg/m ³	Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
pH	relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline).
ppm	Parts Per Million
REACH	Regulation on Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals
STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit
STOT-RE	Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
STOT-SE	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)
SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons
SWA	Safe Work Australia
TLV	Threshold Limit Value
TWA	Time Weighted Average

Revision history

Revision	Description
2.0	Standard SDS Review.
1.0	Initial SDS creation

Report status

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