

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 2571

Product Name 5 COMPONENT MIXTURE (HE, O2, SF6, CO2, BALANCE N2)

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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Synonym(s) 2571 - SDS NUMBER · SPECIAL GAS MIXTURE Use(s) CALIBRATION · INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS

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#### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS (GHS) ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

**RISK PHRASES** 

None allocated

**SAFETY PHRASES** 

None allocated

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**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 (v/v) |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| OXYGEN               | CAS: 7782-44-7<br>EC: 231-956-9 | O;R8           | <25%          |
| SULPHUR HEXAFLUORIDE | CAS: 2551-62-4<br>EC: 219-854-2 | Not Available  | <5%           |
| CARBON DIOXIDE       | CAS: 124-38-9<br>EC: 204-696-9  | Not Available  | <10%          |
| HELIUM               | CAS: 7440-59-7<br>EC: 231-168-5 | Not Available  | <10%          |
| NITROGEN             | CAS: 7727-37-9<br>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



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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.

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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

Spillage If the cylinder is leaking, evacuate area of personnel. Inform manufacturer/supplier of leak. Use personal protective equipment. Carefully move material to a well ventilated remote area, then allow

to discharge. Do not attempt to repair leaking valve or cylinder safety devices.

## 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/m³ | ppm   | mg/m³ |
| Carbon dioxide               | SWA (AUS) | 5000       | 9000  | 30000 | 54000 |
| Carbon dioxide in coal mines | SWA (AUS) | 12500      | 22500 | 30000 | 54000 |
| Helium                       | SWA (AUS) | Asphyxiant |       |       |       |
| Nitrogen                     | SWA (AUS) | Asphyxiant |       |       |       |
| Sulphur hexafluoride         | SWA (AUS) | 1000       | 5970  |       |       |

Biological Limits No biological limit allocated.



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Engineering Controls Provide suitable ventilation to minimise or eliminate exposure. Confined areas (eg. tanks) should be

adequately ventilated or gas tested.

**PPE** 

Eye / FaceWear safety glasses.HandsWear leather gloves.BodyWear safety boots.

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

respirator.







## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**COLOURLESS GAS Appearance** Odour **ODOURLESS** NON FLAMMABLE **Flammability NOT RELEVANT** Flash point **Boiling point NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE Melting point NOT APPLICABLE Evaporation rate NOT APPLICABLE** Vapour density **NOT AVAILABLE** Specific gravity **NOT APPLICABLE** Solubility (water) **INSOLUBLE** Vapour pressure NOT AVAILABLE **Upper explosion limit NOT RELEVANT NOT RELEVANT** Lower explosion limit **Autoignition temperature** NOT AVAILABLE **Decomposition temperature NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE** Viscosity **Partition coefficient** NOT AVAILABLE 100 % % Volatiles

## 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.

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.

Asphyxiant. Effects are proportional to oxygen displacement. Acts as a simple asphyxiant by

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**Inhalation** 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 SULPHUR HEXAFLUORIDE (2551-62-4)

LD50 (intravenous) 5790 mg/kg (rabbit)

CARBON DIOXIDE (124-38-9)

LC50 (inhalation) 470000 ppm/30M (rat) LCLo (inhalation) 9 pph/5M (human)

#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Environment** 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.

**Legislation** Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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|                      | LAND TRANSPORT<br>(ADG)                     | SEA TRANSPORT<br>(IMDG / IMO)   | AIR TRANSPORT<br>(IATA / ICAO) |
|----------------------|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| UN Number            | 1956  | -                               | -                              |
| Proper Shipping Name | COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S. (Contains Nitrogen). | -                               | -                              |
| DG Class/ Division   | 2.2   | -                               | -                              |
| Subsidiary Risk(s)   | None Allocated                              | -                               | -                              |
| Packing Group        | None Allocated                              | -                               | -                              |
| GTEPG                | 2C1   |                                 |                                |
| Hazchem Code         | 2TE   |                                 |                                |
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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.

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#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this ChemAlert 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:

**ACGIH** 

STOT-SE

TWA/OEL

SUSMP

TLV

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.

American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

Threshold Limit Value

#### **Abbreviations**

|         | The state of the s |
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| 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/m³   | Milligrams per Cubic Metre   |
| PEL     | Permissible Exposure Limit   |
| pН      | 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   |
| STOT-RE | Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)   |
|         |  |

# Revision History

| Revision | Description          |
|----------|----------------------|
| 1.0      | Initial SDS Creation |

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons

Time Weighted Average or Occupational Exposure Limit

## Report Status

This document has been compiled by RMT on behalf of the manufacturer of the product and serves as the manufacturer's Safety Data Sheet ('SDS').

It is based on information concerning the product which has been provided to RMT by the manufacturer or obtained from third party sources and is believed to represent the current state of knowledge as to the appropriate safety and handling precautions for the product at the time of issue. Further clarification regarding any aspect of the product should be obtained directly from the manufacturer.

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