

**SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 2738

**1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER****1.1 Product identifier****Product name** 5 COMPONENT MIXTURE (C4H10, C4H10, C5H12, C5H12, BALANCE C6H14)**Synonym(s)** 2738 - SDS NUMBER • SPECIAL GAS MIXTURE**1.2 Uses and uses advised against****Use(s)** CALIBRATION • INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS**1.3 Details of the supplier of the product****Supplier name** BOC LIMITED (AUSTRALIA)**Address** 10 Julius Avenue, North Ryde, NSW, 2113, AUSTRALIA**Telephone** 131 262, (02) 8874 4400**Fax** 132 427 (24 hours)**Website** <http://www.boc.com.au>**1.4 Emergency telephone number(s)****Emergency** 1800 653 572 (24/7) (Australia only)**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

**GHS classification(s)** Flammable Gases: Category 1  
Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Single Exposure): Category 3  
Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Category 2  
Gases Under Pressure: Compressed gas  
Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Repeated Exposure): Category 2  
Toxic to Reproduction: Category 2**2.2 Label elements****Signal word** DANGER**Pictogram(s)****Hazard statement(s)**

H220 Extremely flammable gas.  
H280 Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.  
H315 Causes skin irritation.  
H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness.  
H361 Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.  
H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**Prevention statement(s)**

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.  
 P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
 P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.  
 P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.  
 P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.  
 P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.  
 P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

**Response statement(s)**

P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.  
 P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.  
 P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.  
 P321 Specific treatment is advised - see first aid instructions.  
 P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before re-use.  
 P377 Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely.  
 P381 Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so.

**Storage statement(s)**

P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.  
 P405 Store locked up.  
 P410 + P403 Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

**Disposal statement(s)**

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.

**2.3 Other hazards**

Asphyxiant. Effects are proportional to oxygen displacement.

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### 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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**3.1 Substances / Mixtures**

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content (v/v)
ISOPENTANE	78-78-4	201-142-8	<30%
PENTANE	109-66-0	203-692-4	<30%
BUTANE	106-97-8	203-448-7	<10%
ISOBUTANE	75-28-5	200-857-2	<10%
N-HEXANE	110-54-3	203-777-6	Remainder

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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**4.1 Description of first aid measures**

**Eye** Cold burns: Immediately flush with tepid water or with sterile saline solution. Hold eyelids apart and irrigate for 15 minutes. Seek medical attention.

**Inhalation** If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. To protect rescuer, use an Air-line respirator or Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). Be aware of possible explosive atmospheres. 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** Cold burns: Remove contaminated clothing and gently flush affected areas with warm water (30°C) for 15 minutes. Apply sterile dressing and treat as for a thermal burn. For large burns, immerse in warm water for 15 minutes. DO NOT apply any form of direct heat. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Ingestion** Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.

**First aid facilities** No information provided.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Symptoms may include loss of mobility / consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation. Over exposure to n-Hexane may result in damage to the peripheral nervous system, with numbness, tingling, muscle damage, and reduced mobility of the limbs.

**4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Stop flow of gas if safe to do so, such as by slowly closing the cylinder valve.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Extremely flammable. Eliminate all ignition sources including cigarettes, open flames, spark producing switches/tools, heaters, naked lights, pilot lights, mobile phones etc. when handling.

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Temperatures in a fire may cause cylinders to rupture and internal pressure relief devices to be activated. Cool cylinders or containers exposed to fire by applying water from a protected location. Do not approach cylinders or containers suspected of being hot. This material is capable of forming explosive mixtures in air.

### 5.4 Hazchem code

2SE  
 2 Fine Water Spray.  
 S Risk of violent reaction or explosion. Wear full fire kit and breathing apparatus. Dilute spill and run-off.  
 E Evacuation of people in and around the immediate vicinity of the incident should be considered.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

If the cylinder is leaking, evacuate area of personnel. Inform manufacturer/supplier of leak. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus when entering area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe. Ensure adequate air ventilation. Eliminate all sources of ignition. Consider the risk of potentially explosive atmospheres.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent from entering sewers, basements and workpits, or any place where its accumulation can be dangerous.

### 6.3 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.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1 Precautions for safe 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.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool (< 45°C), well ventilated secure area, removed from incompatible substances, heat or ignition sources and foodstuffs. Ensure cylinders are tightly closed, outlet seals are replaced after use, are stored in an upright position, prevented from falling and in a secure location. If in cylinders, ensure they are protected from physical damage and not stored near emergency exits.

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information provided.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Exposure standards

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Butane	SWA (AUS)	800	1900	--	--
Isobutane	SWA (AUS)	1000	--	--	--
Pentane	SWA (AUS)	600	1770	750	2210
n-Hexane	SWA (AUS)	20	72	--	--

**Biological limits**

Ingredient	Determinant	Sampling Time	BEI
N-HEXANE	2,5-Hexanedione in urine (without hydrolysis)	End of shift at end of workweek	0.4 mg/L

Reference: ACGIH Biological Exposure Indices

**8.2 Exposure controls**

**Engineering controls** Provide suitable ventilation to minimise or eliminate exposure. Confined areas (e.g. tanks) should be adequately ventilated or gas tested. Flammable/explosive vapours may accumulate in poorly ventilated areas. Maintain vapour levels below the recommended exposure standard.

**PPE**

<b>Eye / Face</b>	Wear safety glasses.
<b>Hands</b>	Wear leather gloves.
<b>Body</b>	Wear safety boots.
<b>Respiratory</b>	Where an inhalation risk exists, wear Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) or an Air-line respirator.



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**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

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**9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

<b>Appearance</b>	COLOURLESS GAS
<b>Odour</b>	ODOURLESS
<b>Flammability</b>	EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE
<b>Flash point</b>	< 0°C
<b>Boiling point</b>	< 0°C
<b>Melting point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	NOT APPLICABLE
<b>pH</b>	NOT APPLICABLE
<b>Vapour density</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Specific gravity</b>	NOT APPLICABLE
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	INSOLUBLE
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Upper explosion limit</b>	7.76 %
<b>Lower explosion limit</b>	1.23 %
<b>Partition coefficient</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Viscosity</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Explosive properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Oxidising properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Odour threshold</b>	NOT AVAILABLE

**9.2 Other information**

<b>% Volatiles</b>	100 %
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**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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**10.1 Reactivity**

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

**10.2 Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Polymerization will not occur.

#### **10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Avoid shock, friction, heavy impact, heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

#### **10.5 Incompatible materials**

Incompatible with oxidising agents (e.g. hypochlorites), acids (e.g. nitric acid), heat and ignition sources. Do not use natural rubber flexible hoses. Also incompatible (potentially violently) with oxygen, halogens and metal halides.

#### **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

May evolve toxic gases if heated to decomposition.

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## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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#### **11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

<b>Acute toxicity</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Skin</b>	Irritating to the skin. Contact may result in irritation, redness, rash and dermatitis. Direct contact with the liquefied material or escaping compressed gas may cause frostbite injury.
<b>Eye</b>	Not classified as irritating to the eyes. Contact with liquid may result in irritation, lacrimation, pain and redness.
<b>Sensitization</b>	Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.
<b>Mutagenicity</b>	Not classified as a mutagen.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	Not classified as a carcinogen.
<b>Reproductive</b>	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
<b>STOT – single exposure</b>	Asphyxiant. Effects are proportional to oxygen displacement. Single exposure may cause drowsiness or dizziness. Over exposure may result in weakness, fatigue, breathing difficulties and unconsciousness.
<b>STOT – repeated exposure</b>	Repeated exposure to n-Hexane may result in damage to the peripheral nervous system, with numbness, tingling, muscle damage, and reduced mobility of the limbs.
<b>Aspiration</b>	Not classified as causing aspiration.

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## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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#### **12.1 Toxicity**

Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

#### **12.2 Persistence and degradability**

No information provided.

#### **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No information provided.

#### **12.4 Mobility in soil**

No information provided.

#### **12.5 Other adverse effects**

No information provided.

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## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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#### **13.1 Waste treatment methods**

**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

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



	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
14.1 UN Number	1954	1954	1954
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	COMPRESSED GAS, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. (Contains n-Hexane)	COMPRESSED GAS, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. (Contains n-Hexane)	COMPRESSED GAS, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. (Contains n-Hexane)
14.3 Transport hazard class	2.1	2.1	2.1
14.4 Packing Group	None Allocated	None Allocated	None Allocated

14.5 Environmental hazards No information provided

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

Hazchem code 2SE

GTEPG 2A1

EMS F-D, S-U

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

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

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).	
Classifications	Safework Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals.	
	The classifications and phrases listed below are based on the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC: 1008(2004)].	
Hazard codes	F+      Extremely flammable Repr.    Reproductive toxin Xi       Irritant Xn       Harmful	
Risk phrases	R12      Extremely Flammable. R38      Irritating to skin. R48/20    Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation. R62      Possible risk of impaired fertility. R67      Vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness.	
Safety phrases	S16      Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. S33      Take precautionary measures against static discharges. S36/37    Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.	
Inventory listing(s)	<b>AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)</b> 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.

**ASPHYXIANTS (1):** When present in the atmospheres in high concentrations, asphyxiants reduce the oxygen concentration by displacement. Atmospheres deficient in oxygen do not provide adequate sensory warning of danger and most simple asphyxiants are odourless. Therefore it is not appropriate to recommend an exposure standard for each asphyxiant, but to maintain oxygen concentrations. However, some asphyxiants may be given an exposure standard due to the potential for narcotic effects at high concentrations or an explosion hazard.

**ASPHYXIANTS (2):** There is a significant hazard associated with workers entering poorly ventilated areas (e.g. tanks) where oxygen may be deficient. An air supplied breathing apparatus may be required if adequate ventilation is not ensured.

### 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.

### 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
EMS	Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods)
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
GTEPG	Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose
mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
pH	relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly alkaline).
ppm	Parts Per Million
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

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2.2	Standard SDS Review
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1.0	Initial SDS Creation.

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