

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 2748

Product Name 7 COMPONENT MIXTURE (CO, H2, C2H4, AR, CO2, N2, BALANCE CH4)

# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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Synonym(s) 2748 - SDS NUMBER • SPECIAL GAS MIXTURE Use(s) CALIBRATION • INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS

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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

**Risk Phrases** 

R12 Extremely Flammable.

R61 May cause harm to the unborn child.

**Safety Phrases** 

S9 Keep container in a well ventilated place.

Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

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UN Number1954Transport Hazard Class2.1Packing GroupNone AllocatedHazchem Code2SE

# 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredient	Identification	Classification	Content (v/v)
ETHYLENE	CAS: 74-85-1 EC: 200-815-3	F+;R12, Xn;R67	<10%
HYDROGEN	CAS: 1333-74-0 EC: 215-605-7	F+;R12	<10%
CARBON MONOXIDE	CAS: 630-08-0 EC: 211-128-3	F+;R12, T;R23, T;R48/23, Repr.;R61	0.2 to 0.5%
METHANE	CAS: 74-82-8 EC: 200-812-7	F+;R12	Remainder
NITROGEN	CAS: 7727-37-9 EC: 231-783-9	Not Available	10 to <30%
ARGON	CAS: 7440-37-1 EC: 231-147-0	Not Available	<10%
CARBON DIOXIDE	CAS: 124-38-9 EC: 204-696-9	Not Available	<10%



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## 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). 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 None required.

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

Advice to doctor Treat symptomatically.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammability Highly flammable. Eliminate all ignition sources including cigarettes, open flames, spark producing

switches/tools, heaters, naked lights, pilot lights, mobile phones etc. when handling.

Fire and explosion 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.

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

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2 Water Fog (or fine water spray if fog unavailable)

S 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. Wear

self-contained breathing apparatus when entering area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe. Ensure adequate air ventilation. Eliminate ignition sources. Consider the risk of potentially explosive

atmospheres.

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 Do not store near sources of ignition or incompatible materials. 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.



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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
Ingredient		ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³
Argon	SWA (AUS)	Asphyxiant			
Carbon dioxide	SWA (AUS)	5000	9000	30000	54000
Carbon dioxide in coal mines	SWA (AUS)	12500	22500	30000	54000
Carbon monoxide	SWA (AUS)	30	34		
Ethylene	SWA (AUS)	Asphyxiant			
Hydrogen	SWA (AUS)	Asphyxiant			
Methane	SWA (AUS)	Asphyxiant			
Nitrogen	SWA (AUS)	Asphyxiant			

#### **Biological limits**

Ingredient	Determinant	Sampling Time	BEI
CARBON MONOXIDE	Carboxyhemoglobin in blood	End of shift	3.5% of hemoglobin
	Carbon monoxide in end-exhaled air	End of shift	20 ppm

Reference: ACGIH Biological Exposure Indices

Engineering controls Provide suitable ventilation to minimise or eliminate exposure. Confined areas (eg. 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. Maintain

vapour levels below the recommended exposure standard.

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.



NOT AVAILABLE

NOT AVAILABLE





# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**COLOURLESS GAS Appearance** Odour **ODOURLESS Flammability** HIGHLY FLAMMABLE Flash point -233°C (Methane) **Boiling point NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE Melting point Evaporation rate NOT APPLICABLE NOT APPLICABLE** pН Vapour density **NOT AVAILABLE** Specific gravity **NOT APPLICABLE** Solubility (water) **INSOLUBLE** NOT APPLICABLE Vapour pressure **Upper explosion limit** 15 % (Methane) Lower explosion limit 5.3 % (Methane) Partition coefficient NOT AVAILABLE Autoignition temperature 537°C (Methane) **Decomposition temperature** NOT AVAILABLE

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**Explosive properties** 

**Viscosity** 

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Oxidising properties
Odour threshold
% Volatiles

NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE

100 %

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical stability** Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

**Conditions to avoid** Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

Material to avoid Carbon monoxide can react with iron, nickel and other metals. Below 3,500 kPa corrosion is

negligible and common materials can be used. Incompatible with acrylaldehyde, aziridine, sodium

peroxide. Corrosive when moist.

**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 - toxic. Carbon monoxide effects depend on the percentage of carboxyhaemoglobin: 10-20% mild headache and breathlessness on mild exertion; 20-30% headache, irritability, rapid fatigue and impaired memory; 30-40% severe headache, weakness, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, visual impairment and confusion; 40-50% increasing confusion, ataxia and collapse; 50-60% coma; >80% rapid death. Chronic exposure to carbon monoxide may result in an increase in cardiovascular problems. Can aggravate some diseases of the cardiovascular system such as coronary artery disease. The effect is enhanced by cigarette smoking. Adverse behavioural effects have been noted including impairment of vigilance, co-ordination, timing, behaviour, visual perception and certain cognitive functions. Some adaptation occurs in individuals repeatedly exposed to moderate concentrations. Developmental defects on foetuses can occur without maternal symptoms.

Eye Non irritant

**Inhalation** Toxic. Over exposure to carbon monoxide may result in rapid breathing, nausea, lack of coordination,

unconsciousness and coma. Carbon monoxide reacts with haemoglobin in the blood to prevent

oxygen uptake and release.

**Skin** Non irritant.

**Ingestion** Ingestion is considered unlikely due to product form.

Toxicity data CARBON MONOXIDE (630-08-0)

LC50 (inhalation) 1807 ppm/4H (rat) LCLo (inhalation) 5000 ppm/5M (human)

METHANE (74-82-8)

LC50 (inhalation) 326 gm/m3/2h (mouse)

CARBON DIOXIDE (124-38-9)

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

# 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 When discharged to the atmosphere, carbon dioxide may contribute to the greenhouse effect.

Carbon monoxide is slowly oxidised in the atmosphere to carbon dioxide.

## 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.

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# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
UN Number	1954	1954	1954
Proper Shipping Name	COMPRESSED GAS, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. (Contains Methane)	COMPRESSED GAS, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. (Contains Methane)	COMPRESSED GAS, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. (Contains Methane)
Transport Hazard Class	2.1	2.1	2.1
Packing Group	None Allocated	None Allocated	None Allocated

**Environmental hazards** 

No information provided

Special precautions for user

2SE Hazchem code **GTEPG** 2A1 F-D, S-U **EMS** 

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.

#### 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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Abbreviations	ACGIH CAS # CNS EC No. GHS	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds Central Nervous System EC No - European Community Number Globally Harmonized System
	IARC LC50	International Agency for Research on Cancer Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration

Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose

Milligrams per Cubic Metre mg/m<sup>3</sup> Occupational Exposure Limit OEL Permissible Exposure Limit PEL

relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly pН

alkaline).

Parts Per Million ppm

LD50

REACH Regulation on Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals

STEL Short-Term Exposure Limit

STOT-RE Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) STOT-SE

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons **SUSMP** 

SWA Safe Work Australia TLV Threshold Limit Value TWA Time Weighted Average

#### **Revision history**

Revision	Description
1.0	Initial SDS Creation.

#### Report status

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