

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 1705

# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

1.1 Product identifier

Product name 0.5% - 1.5% SULPHUR DIOXIDE, BALANCE AIR

Synonym(s) 1705 - SDS NUMBER • PRODUCT CODE: 292 • 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 AUSTRALIAN WHS REGULATIONS

GHS classification(s) Serious Eye Damage / Eye Irritation: Category 2A

Gases Under Pressure: Compressed gas Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Category 2

2.2 Label elements

Signal word WARNING

Pictogram(s)





Hazard statement(s)

H280 Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

H315 Causes skin irritation. H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

Prevention statement(s)

P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.

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.

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to

do. Continue rinsing.

P321 Specific treatment is advised - see first aid instructions.
P332 + P337 + P313 If skin or eye irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before re-use.

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Storage statement(s)

P410 + P403 Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

Disposal statement(s)

None allocated.

### 2.3 Other hazards

No information provided.

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content (v/v)
SULPHUR DIOXIDE	7446-09-5	231-195-2	0.5 to 1.5%
AIR	-	-	Remainder

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

# 4.1 Description of first aid measures

Eye If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to

stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

Inhalation If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. To protect rescuer, use a Type B (Inorganic and acid gas)

respirator where an inhalation risk exists. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. For advice, contact a

Poison Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor.

**Skin** If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water.

Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

**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

May cause irritation to the eyes, skin and respiratory system.

# 4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

#### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

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

Non flammable. May evolve toxic gases if strongly heated.

# 5.3 Advice for firefighters

No fire or explosion hazard exists.

# 5.4 Hazchem code

2TE

2 Fine Water Spray.

T 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. Use Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in Section 8 of the SDS.

# **6.2 Environmental precautions**

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



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#### 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

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

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

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.

#### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information provided.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### 8.1 Control parameters

#### **Exposure standards**

gredient Reference		TWA		STEL	
	Reference	ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³
Sulphur dioxide	SWA (AUS)	2	5.2	5	13

#### **Biological limits**

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

# 8.2 Exposure controls

Engineering controls Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Protective equipment should be worn if levels exceed

recommended exposure standards. Maintain vapour levels below the recommended exposure standard.

PPE

**Eye / Face** Wear splash-proof goggles. **Hands** Wear leather or cotton gloves.

**Body** Wear safety boots.

Respiratory At high vapour levels, wear an Air-line respirator or a Full-face Type B (Inorganic and Acid gas) respirator.







# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance COLOURLESS GAS

Odour PUNGENT IRRITATING ODOUR

Flammability
NON FLAMMABLE
Flash point
NOT RELEVANT
Boiling point
NOT AVAILABLE
Melting point
NOT AVAILABLE
Evaporation rate
NOT APPLICABLE
NOT APPLICABLE

Vapour density 0.967 (Air = 1) (Nitrogen)
Specific gravity NOT APPLICABLE

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9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

**Solubility (water)** 0.1128 kg/kg (Sulphur dioxide)

Vapour pressure NOT AVAILABLE **Upper explosion limit** NOT RELEVANT Lower explosion limit NOT RELEVANT Partition coefficient NOT AVAILABLE **Autoignition temperature** NOT AVAILABLE **Decomposition temperature** NOT AVAILABLE Viscosity NOT AVAILABLE **Explosive properties** NOT AVAILABLE Oxidising properties NOT AVAILABLE **Odour threshold** NOT AVAILABLE

9.2 Other information

% Volatiles 100 %

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### 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 chlorates, peroxides, chromates, dichromates, permanganates, oxygen difluoride. Sulphur dioxide is highly corrosive to ordinary steel in the presence of moisture.

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

May evolve toxic gases if heated to decomposition.

#### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity May be harmful. Exposure to low concentrations of sulphur dioxide causes dryness to the mouth and throat

and slight breathing difficulties. Exposure at 50 ppm causes strong eye, nose, throat and respiratory tract

irritation as well as changes in breathing volume.

SULPHUR DIOXIDE

LC50 (Inhalation): 2520 ppm / 1 hour (rat)

Skin Irritating to the skin. Contact may result in irritation, redness, rash and dermatitis.Eye Irritating to the eyes. Contact may result in irritation, lacrimation, pain and redness.

Sensitization Not classified as causing skin sensitisation. Some animal studies have shown that exposure to low levels of

sulphur dioxide can cause allergic respiratory responses.

MutagenicityNot classified as a mutagen.CarcinogenicityNot classified as a carcinogen.

**Reproductive** Some studies have detected effects on the reproductive performance of animals exposed to sulphur dioxide.

STOT – single exposure

Not classified as causing organ effects from single exposure.

STOT - repeated

exposure

Not classified as causing organ effects from repeated exposure.

**Aspiration** Not classified as causing aspiration.

#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION



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#### 12.1 Toxicity

No information provided.

#### 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

Sulphur dioxide in air is oxidised to sulphuric acid, which is a major component of acid rain. Acid rain has been associated with accelerated leaching of heavy metals from plumbing systems and generally fixed sites such as insoluble deposits and ores, and with bioaccumulation of heavy metals, especially mercury, in fish. Sulphur dioxide is harmful to aquatic life in very low concentrations.

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### 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	1956	1956	1956
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S. (Contains air)	COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S. (Contains air)	COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S. (Contains air)
14.3 Transport hazard class	2.2	2.2	2.2
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 2TE **GTEPG** 2C1 **EMS** F-C, S-V

Other information Ensure cylinder is separated from driver and foodstuffs. 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

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Labelling of Chemicals.

The classifications and phrases listed below are based on the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous

Substances [NOHSC: 1008(2004)].



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Hazard codes Xi Irritant

**Risk phrases** R36/38 Irritating to eyes and skin.

Safety phrases S9 Keep container in a well ventilated place.

S26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice

S36/37/39 Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.

S45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell seek medical advice immediately (show the label

where possible).

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 valve 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.

# 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/m³ 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)

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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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