

Product Name ACETYLENE (DISSOLVED)
1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION
CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA
Risk Phrases

R5 Heating may cause an explosion.
 R6 Explosive with or without contact with air.
 R12 Extremely Flammable.

Safety Phrases

S9 Keep container in a well ventilated place.
 S16 Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.
 S33 Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

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UN Number	1001	Transport Hazard Class	2.1
Packing Group	None Allocated	Hazchem Code	2SE

3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredient	Identification	Classification	Content
ACETYLENE	CAS: 74-86-2 EC: 200-816-9	F+;R12, E;R5, E;R6	100%

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Adverse effects not expected from this product.
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 Adverse effects not expected from this product.
Ingestion Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure. Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.

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Advice to doctor Treat for asphyxia.
First aid facilities Eye wash facilities and safety shower should be available.

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. If the gas source cannot be isolated, do not extinguish the flame, since re-ignition and explosion could occur. Await arrival of emergency services or manufacturer's advisor. Drench and cool cylinders with water spray from protected area at a safe distance. If it is absolutely necessary to extinguish the flame, use only a dry chemical powder extinguisher. Do not move cylinders for at least 24 hours. Avoid shock and bumps to cylinders.

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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 incompatible substances and sources of ignition. Cylinders should be stored: upright, prevented from falling, in a secure area; below 45°C, 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. Post "No Smoking or Open Flames" signs in the storage areas. Refer to applicable legislation on flammable storage quantity restrictions. Never transfer acetylene to another cylinder or other container.

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
Acetylene	SWA (AUS)	Asphyxiant			

Biological limits No biological limit allocated.

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.

PPE

Eye / Face	Wear safety glasses.
Hands	Wear leather or cotton gloves.
Body	Wear coveralls and safety boots.
Respiratory	If using product in a confined area, wear an Air-line respirator.



9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	COLOURLESS GAS
Odour	ODOURLESS
Flammability	HIGHLY FLAMMABLE
Flash point	< 23°C
Boiling point	-84°C
Melting point	NOT AVAILABLE
Evaporation rate	NOT AVAILABLE
pH	NOT AVAILABLE
Vapour density	0.91 (Air = 1)
Specific gravity	NOT AVAILABLE
Solubility (water)	SOLUBLE
Vapour pressure	NOT AVAILABLE
Upper explosion limit	80 % to 85 %
Lower explosion limit	2.5 %
Partition coefficient	NOT AVAILABLE
Autoignition temperature	300°C
Decomposition temperature	NOT AVAILABLE
Viscosity	NOT AVAILABLE
Explosive properties	NOT AVAILABLE
Oxidising properties	NOT AVAILABLE
% Volatiles	100 %
Critical temperature	35.2°C

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability	Stable under recommended conditions of storage. However, sensitive to heat or shock and may become explosive.
Conditions to avoid	Avoid shock, friction, heavy impact, heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.
Material to avoid	Incompatible with oxidising agents (eg. hypochlorites), copper, copper alloys (>70% copper), silver and mercury to form explosive acetylides. May decompose violently at high temperatures and/or pressures or in the presence of a catalyst.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	May evolve toxic gases if heated to decomposition.
Hazardous Reactions	Polymerizes with evolution of heat. Avoid contact with curing agents, accelerators, and/or initiators.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Health Hazard Summary	Asphyxiant gas - non irritant. May replace oxygen in the inhaled air and cause asphyxiation. 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.
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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	ACETYLENE (74-86-2)	
	LCLo (inhalation)	50pph/5M (human)
	TCLo (inhalation)	20 pph (human)

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity	No ecological damage is expected to be caused by this product.
Persistence and degradability	This product is not readily biodegradable.
Bioaccumulative potential	This product is not expected to bioaccumulate.
Mobility in soil	Because of its high volatility, the product is unlikely to cause ground or water pollution.
Other adverse effects	No known effects from this product.

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 (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
UN Number	1001	1001	1001
Proper Shipping Name	ACETYLENE, DISSOLVED	ACETYLENE, DISSOLVED	ACETYLENE, DISSOLVED
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	
Hazchem code	2SE
GTEPG	2A1
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: Never open an acetylene cylinder valve without the regulator attached. Gas regulator of suitable pressure and flow rating fitted to cylinder and manifold with low pressure gas distribution equipment which controls fuel gas mixture and flame. The regulator and other equipment must be compatible with the product and suited for the particular use. Never "sniff" acetylene as it may ignite spontaneously. Instead, carefully inspect the outlet and if there are any signs of dirt, blow it out with a jet of clean compressed air or nitrogen.

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
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration
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
2.3	Standard SDS Review
2.2	Standard SDS Review
2.1	Standard SDS Review
2.0	Standard SDS Review.
1.0	Initial SDS Creation

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