

Safety data sheet

Hydrogen, compressed

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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1. Product identifier

Product name

Hydrogen, compressed

EC No (from EINECS): 215-605-7

CAS No: 1333-74-0

Index-Nr. 001-001-00-9

Chemical formula H₂

REACH Registration number:

Listed in Annex IV/V of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH), exempted from registration.

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses

Industrial and professional. Perform risk assessment prior to use.

Uses advised against

Consumer use., Do not inflate in party balloons.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company identification

BOC, PO Box 1201, Bluebell, Dublin

E-Mail Address ReachSDS@boc.com

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency phone numbers (24h): 1850 333 435

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification acc. to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008/EC (CLP/GHS)

Press. Gas (Compressed gas) - Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Flam. Gas 1 - Extremely flammable gas.

Classification acc. to Directive 67/548/EEC & 1999/45/EC

F+; R12

Extremely flammable.

Risk advice to man and the environment

In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation.

Compressed gas.

2.2. Label elements

- Labelling Pictograms



- Signal word

Danger

- Hazard Statements

H280 Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

H220 Extremely flammable gas.

- Precautionary Statements

Precautionary Statement Prevention

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

Precautionary Statement Response

P377 Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely.

P381 Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so.

Precautionary Statement Storage

P403 Store in a well-ventilated place.

Precautionary Statement Disposal

None.

2.3. Other hazards

None.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Substance / Mixture: Substance.

3.1. Substances

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Contains no other components or impurities which will influence the classification of the product.

3.2. Mixtures

Not applicable.

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

First Aid General Information:

Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self contained breathing apparatus. Keep victim warm and rested. Call a doctor. Apply artificial respiration if breathing stopped.

First Aid Inhalation:

Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self contained breathing apparatus. Keep victim warm and rested. Call a doctor. Apply artificial respiration if breathing stopped.

First Aid Skin / Eye:

Adverse effects not expected from this product.

First Aid Ingestion:

Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

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.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

None.

SECTION 5: Fire fighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Water Dry powder Foam

Unsuitable extinguishing media

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Carbon dioxide

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Specific hazards

Exposure to fire may cause containers to rupture/explode.

Hazardous combustion products

None.

5.3. Advice for fire-fighters

Specific methods

If possible, stop flow of product. Move container away or cool with water from a protected position. Do not extinguish a leaking gas flame unless absolutely necessary. Spontaneous/explosive re-ignition may occur. Extinguish any other fire.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

In confined space use self-contained breathing apparatus.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

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

6.2. Environmental precautions

Try to stop release.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Ventilate area.

6.4. Reference to other sections

See also sections 8 and 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Ensure equipment is adequately earthed. Suck back of water into the container must be prevented. Purge air from system before introducing gas. Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. Contact your gas supplier if in doubt. Keep away from ignition sources (including static discharges). Refer to supplier's handling instructions. The substance must be handled in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures. Purge system with dry inert gas (e.g. helium or nitrogen) before gas is introduced and when system is placed out of service. Consider the use of only non-sparking tools. Do not smoke while handling product. Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle gases under pressure. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop. Never use direct flame or electrical heating devices to raise the pressure of a container. Do not remove or deface labels provided by the supplier for the identification of the cylinder contents. When moving cylinders, even for short distances, use a cart (trolley, hand truck, etc.) designed to transport cylinders. Leave valve protection caps in place until the container has been secured against either a wall or bench or placed in a container stand and is ready for use. Ensure the complete gas system has been (or is regularly) checked for leaks before use. If user experiences any difficulty operating cylinder valve discontinue use and contact supplier. Close container valve after each use and when empty, even if still connected to equipment. Never attempt to repair or modify container valves or safety relief devices. Damaged valves should be reported immediately to the supplier. Replace valve outlet caps or plugs and container caps where supplied as soon as container is disconnected from equipment. Keep container valve

outlets clean and free from contaminants particularly oil and water. Never attempt to transfer gases from one cylinder/container to another. Assess the risk of potentially explosive atmosphere and the need for explosion-proof equipment. Do not allow backfeed into the container. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Segregate from oxidant gases and other oxidants in store. Keep container below 50°C in a well ventilated place. Observe all regulations and local requirements regarding storage of containers. Containers should not be stored in conditions likely to encourage corrosion. Containers should be stored in the vertical position and properly secured to prevent falling over. Stored containers should be periodically checked for general conditions and leakage. Store containers in location free from fire risk and away from sources of heat and ignition. Keep away from combustible materials. All electrical equipment in the storage areas should be compatible with the risk of potentially explosive atmosphere. Container valve guards or caps should be in place.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

None.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

No occupational exposure limit.

8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Product to be handled in a closed system. Gas detectors should be used when quantities of flammable gases/vapours may be released. Keep concentrations well below lower explosion limits. Consider work permit system e.g. for maintenance activities. Systems under pressure should be regularly checked for leakages. The substance must be handled in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures. Provide adequate general or local ventilation.

Personal protective equipment

Eye and face protection

Wear eye protection to EN 166 when using gases.

Skin protection

Other protection

Wear leather safety gloves and safety shoes when handling cylinders.

Respiratory protection

Not required

Thermal hazards

Not required

Environmental Exposure Controls

Specific risk management measures are not required beyond good industrial hygiene and safety procedures. Refer to local regulations for restriction of emissions to the atmosphere. See section 13 for specific methods for waste gas treatment.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

General information

Appearance/Colour: Colourless gas.

Odour: None.

Melting point: -259 °C

Boiling point: -253 °C

Flash point: Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.

Flammability range: 4 %(V) - 77 %(V)

Vapour Pressure 20 °C: Not applicable.

Relative density, gas: 0,07

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Solubility in water: 1,6 mg/l
Autoignition temperature: 560 °C
Explosive properties:
Explosive acc. EU legislation: Not explosive.
Explosive acc. transp. reg.: Not explosive.
Oxidising properties: Not applicable.
Molecular weight: 2 g/mol
Critical temperature: -240 °C
Relative density, liquid: 0,07

9.2. Other information
Burns with an invisible flame.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity
Unreactive under normal conditions.

10.2. Chemical stability
Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions
Can form potential explosive atmosphere in air., May react violently with oxidants.

10.4. Conditions to avoid
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

10.5. Incompatible materials
Oxidising agents. Air, Oxidiser. For material compatibility see latest version of ISO-11114.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products
Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects
General
No known toxicological effects from this product.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity
No ecological damage caused by this product.

12.2. Persistence and degradability
Not applicable.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential
Not applicable.

12.4. Mobility in soil
The substance is a gas, not applicable.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
Not classified as PBT or vPvB.

12.6. Other adverse effects
Not applicable.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Do not discharge into areas where there is a risk of forming an explosive mixture with air. Waste gas should be flared through a suitable burner with flash back arrestor. Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous. Contact supplier if guidance is required.

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SECTION 14: Transport information

ADR/RID

14.1. UN number
1049

14.2. UN proper shipping name
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14.3. Transport hazard class(es)
Class: 2
Classification Code: 1F
Labels: 2.1
Hazard number: 23
Emergency Action Code: 2SE

14.4. Packing group (Packing Instruction)
P200

14.5. Environmental hazards
None.

14.6. Special precautions for user
None.

IMDG

14.1. UN number
1049

14.2. UN proper shipping name
Hydrogen, compressed

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)
Class: 2.1
Labels: 2.1
EmS: FD, SU,

14.4. Packing group (Packing Instruction)
P200

14.5. Environmental hazards
None.

14.6. Special precautions for user
None.

14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code
Not applicable.

IATA

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14.4. Packing group (Packing Instruction)

P200

14.5. Environmental hazards

None.

14.6. Special precautions for user

None.

Other transport information

Avoid transport on vehicles where the load space is not separated from the driver's compartment. Ensure vehicle driver is aware of the potential hazards of the load and knows what to do in the event of an accident or an emergency. Before transporting product containers ensure that they are firmly secured. Ensure that the cylinder valve is closed and not leaking. Ensure that the valve outlet cap nut or plug (where provided) is correctly fitted. Ensure that the valve protection device (where provided) is correctly fitted. Ensure adequate ventilation. Ensure compliance with applicable regulations.

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

Seveso Directive 96/82/EC: Listed

15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A CSA does not need to be carried out for this product.

SECTION 16: Other information

Ensure operators understand the flammability hazard. The hazard of asphyxiation is often overlooked and must be stressed during operator training. Before using this product in any new process or experiment, a thorough material compatibility and safety study should be carried out.

Advice

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