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

1.1. Product identifier

Product name

Chlorine

EC No (from EINECS): 231-959-5

CAS No: 7782-50-5

Index-Nr. 017-001-00-7

Chemical formula Cl₂

REACH Registration number:

01-2119486560-35

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.

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 (Liquefied gas) - Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Ox. Gas 1 - May cause or intensify fire; oxidiser.

Acute Tox. 2 - Fatal if inhaled.

Eye Irrit. 2 - Causes serious eye irritation.

STOT SE 3 - May cause respiratory irritation.

Skin Irrit. 2 - Causes skin irritation.

Aquatic Acute 1 - Very toxic to aquatic life.

- Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

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

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Toxic by inhalation.

Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

Very toxic to aquatic organisms.

2.2. Label elements

- Labelling Pictograms



- Signal word

Danger

- Hazard Statements

H280	Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.
H270	May cause or intensify fire; oxidiser.
H330	Fatal if inhaled.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.
EUH071	Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

- Precautionary Statements

Precautionary Statement Prevention

P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P244	Keep valves and fittings free from oil and grease.
P260	Do not breathe gas, vapours.
P220	Keep away from combustible materials.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.

Precautionary Statement Response

P304+P340+P315	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Get immediate medical advice/attention.
P305+P351+P338+P315	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get immediate medical advice/attention.
P302 + P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P332 + P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P370 + P376	In case of fire: Stop leak if safe to do so.

Precautionary Statement Storage

P403	Store in a well-ventilated place.
P405	Store locked up.

Precautionary Statement Disposal

None.

2.3. Other hazards

Contact with liquid may cause cold burns/frost bite.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Substance / Mixture: Substance.

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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. Prolonged exposure to small concentrations may result in pulmonary oedema. Delayed adverse effects possible.

First Aid Skin / Eye:

May cause chemical burns to skin and cornea (with temporary disturbance to vision) Remove contaminated clothing. Drench affected area with water for at least 15 minutes. Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical assistance.

First Aid Ingestion:

Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

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

May cause irritation to skin. May cause irritation to cornea (with temporary disturbance to vision). May result in pulmonary oedema. Fatal if inhaled.

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

Obtain medical assistance. Treat with a corticosteroid spray as soon as possible after inhalation

SECTION 5: Fire fighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

All known extinguishants can be used.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Specific hazards

Non flammable. Supports combustion. Exposure to fire may cause containers to rupture/explode.

Hazardous combustion products

None.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Specific methods

If possible, stop flow of product. Move container away or cool with water from a protected position. Prevent water used in emergency cases from entering sewers and drainage systems. If leaking do not spray water onto container. Water surrounding area (from protected position) to contain fire.

Special protective equipment for fire fighters

Use self-contained breathing apparatus and chemically protective clothing. Clothing for fire-fighters (including helmets, protective boots and gloves) conforming to EN 469 will provide a basic level of protection from chemical incidents. EN 469:2005: Protective clothing for fire-fighters. Performance requirements for protective clothing for fire-fighting.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use self-contained breathing apparatus and chemically protective clothing. Evacuate area. Eliminate ignition sources. Ensure adequate air ventilation. Prevent from entering sewers, basements and workpits, or any place where its accumulation can be dangerous. Monitor concentration of released product.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Try to stop release. Reduce vapour with fog or fine water spray.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Hose down area with water. Wash contaminated equipment or sites of leaks with copious quantities of water. 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

Use no oil or grease. Suck back of water into the container must be prevented. Do not allow backfeed into the container. Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. Contact your gas supplier if in doubt. Refer to supplier's handling instructions. The substance must be handled in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures. Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle gases under pressure. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop. 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

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container has been secured against either a wall or bench or placed in a container stand and is ready for 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. Installation of a cross purge assembly between the cylinder and the regulator is recommended. Never use direct flame or electrical heating devices to raise the pressure of a container. Purge system with dry inert gas (e.g. helium or nitrogen) before gas is introduced and when system is placed out of service. Ensure the complete gas system has been (or is regularly) checked for leaks before use.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Secure cylinders to prevent them falling. Segregate from flammable gases and other flammable materials 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. Container valve guards or caps should be in place. Store containers in location free from fire risk and away from sources of heat and ignition. Do not store with combustible materials, animal feedstuffs, food, or oxidizing agents.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

None.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Exposure limit value

Value type	value	Note
TLV (ACGIH)	0,5 ppm	ACGIH 1995 - 1996
Great Britain - STEL	0,5 ppm	EH 40/07
ILV	0,5 ppm	(EU) 15 min OEL

Derived No Effect Levels

Type	Exposure	Value	Population	Effects
DNEL	Inhalation, acute	1,5 mg/m ³	Workers	Systemic
DNEL	Inhalation, long term	0,75 mg/m ³	Workers	Systemic

Predicted No Effect Concentrations

Type	Compartment Detail	Value
PNEC	Fresh water	0,21µg/L
PNEC	Marine water	0,042µg/L

PNEC	Intermittent releases	0,26µg/L
PNEC	STP	0,03mg/L
PNEC	Oral	11,1 mg/kg food

8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

A risk assessment should be conducted and documented in each work area to assess the risks related to the use of the product and to select the PPE that matches the relevant risk. The following recommendations should be considered. Product to be handled in a closed system. Use only permanent leak-tight installations (e.g. welded pipes). Gas detectors should be used when toxic quantities may be released. Keep concentrations well below occupational exposure limits. Provide adequate general or local ventilation. Systems under pressure should be regularly checked for leakages. The substance must be handled in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures. Consider work permit system e.g. for maintenance activities.

Personal protective equipment

Eye and face protection

Protect eyes, face and skin from liquid splashes. Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Wear a face-shield when transfilling and breaking transfer connections. Safety eyewear, goggles or face-shield to EN166 should be used to avoid exposure to liquid splashes. Wear eye protection to EN 166 when using gases. Full-face mask recommended.

Guideline:

CEN: EN136 Respiratory protective devices. Full face masks. Requirements, testing, marking.

Skin protection

Hand protection

Advice:

Wear working gloves and safety shoes while handling gas cylinders. Chemically resistant gloves complying with EN 374 should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary.

Material:

Viton

Min. Breakthrough time:

480 min

Glove thickness:

0,7 mm

Guideline:

EN 374-1/2/3 Protective gloves against chemicals and micro-organisms

Materials suitable for short-term contact and/or liquid splashes.

Material:

CR(Chloroprene, Polychloroprene rubber)

Min. Breakthrough time:

30 min

Glove thickness:

0,4 mm

Guideline:

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EN 374-1/2/3 Protective gloves against chemicals and micro-organisms

Body protection

Keep suitable chemically resistant protective clothing readily available for emergency use. Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved.

Guideline:

EN 943: Protective clothing against liquid and gaseous chemicals, aerosols and solid particles.

Other protection

Wear working gloves and safety shoes while handling gas cylinders.

Guideline:

ISO 20345 Safety footwear

Respiratory protection

Keep self contained breathing apparatus readily available for emergency use. Use SCBA in the event of high concentrations. The selection of the Respiratory Protective Device (RPD) must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected RPD. When allowed by a risk assessment Respiratory Protective Equipment (RPE) may be used.

Guideline:

EN 136: Respiratory protective devices. Full face masks. Requirements, testing, marking.

Material:

Filter B-P3 Filter B

Guideline:

EN 14387: Respiratory protective devices. Gas filter(s) and combined filter(s). Requirements, testing, marking

Thermal hazards

If there is a risk of contact with the liquid, all protective equipment should be suitable for extremely low temperatures.

Environmental Exposure Controls

Refer to local regulations for restriction of emissions to the atmosphere. See section 13 for specific methods for waste gas treatment. Provide adequate general or local ventilation.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

General information

Appearance/Colour: Greenish gas

Odour: Pungent

Odour threshold:

Odour threshold is subjective and inadequate to warn for over exposure.

pH value: If dissolved in water pH-value will be affected.

Melting point: -101 °C

Boiling point: -34 °C

Flash point: Not applicable.

Flammability range: Not applicable.

Vapour Pressure 20 °C: 6,8 bar

Relative density, gas: 2,5

Solubility in water: 8620 mg/l

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:

Not applicable.

Autoignition temperature: Not applicable.

Thermal decomposition: Not applicable.

Viscosity:

Dynamic: 0,345 mPa.s

Oxidising properties: Oxidiser.

Molecular weight: 71 g/mol

Critical temperature: 144 °C

Relative density, liquid: 1,6

9.2. Other information

Gas/vapour heavier than air. May accumulate in confined spaces, particularly at or below ground level.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

Highly reactive.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under ambient conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Violently oxidises organic material.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid moisture in installation systems.

10.5. Incompatible materials

May react violently with combustible materials. May react violently with reducing agents. May react violently with alkalis. Reacts with water to form corrosive acids. With water causes rapid corrosion of some metals. For material compatibility see latest version of ISO-11114.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

None.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute oral toxicity

Value: LD50

Species: Rat

Value in non-standard unit: 1100 mg sodium hypochlorite / kg

Acute inhalation toxicity

Value: LC50

Species: Various

Value in non-standard unit: 0,65 mg/m3

Value: LC50

Species: Rat

Exposure time: 1 h

Value in non-standard unit: 293 ppm

Acute dermal toxicity

Value: LD50

Species: Rat

Value in non-standard unit: > 20000 mg sodium hypochlorite / kg

Acute toxicity other routes

Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Skin irritation

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Irritant

Eye irritation

Irritant, Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Sensitization

No known effects from this product.

Repeated dose toxicity

NOAEL in non-standard unit: 50 mg sodium hypochlorite / kg

Species: Rat

Route of exposure: Oral

NOAEC: 1,5 mg/m³

Route of exposure: Inhalation

Assessment mutagenicity

Memo: Insufficient data.

Carcinogenicity Assessment carcinogenicity

May have carcinogenic effect.

Assessment toxicity to reproduction

No indication of toxic effects.

Other relevant toxicity information

Fatal if inhaled. Risk of serious health injuries in case of long term exposure. Inhalation can cause damage to respiratory tract and lungs. Irritation of respiratory tract. Pulmonary damage is possible. Irritates mucous membranes.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Toxic to water organisms. Avoid release to the environment. Product is not allowed to be discharged into ground water or aquatic environment.

Acute and prolonged toxicity fish

Species: Various (Freshwater)

Value type: LC50

Value in standard unit mg/l: 0,06 mg/l

Acute and prolonged toxicity fish

Species: Various (Saltwater)

Value type: LC50

Value in standard unit mg/l: 0,032 mg/l

Acute toxicity aquatic invertebrates

Species: Daphnia magna

Value type: LC50

Value in standard unit mg/l: 0,141 mg/l

Acute toxicity aquatic invertebrates

Species: Crassostrea virginica

Value type: LC50

Value in standard unit mg/l: 0,026 mg/l

Toxicity aquatic plants

Test type: IC50

Species: Chlorella vulgaris

Value type: NOEC

Value in standard unit mg/l: 0,023 mg/l

Toxicity microorganisms

Species: Bacteria

Value type: LC50

Value in standard unit mg/l: 3 mg/l

Chronic toxicity fish

Species: Various (Freshwater)

Exposure time: 28 d

Value type: NOEC

Value in standard unit mg/l: 0,04 mg/l

Chronic toxicity fish

Species: Daphnia magna

Exposure time: 7 d

Value type: NOEC

Value in standard unit mg/l: 0,007 mg/l

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Biodegradation

Not applicable. Not readily biodegradable. Inorganic compound.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

The substance has no potential for bioaccumulation.

Biological oxygen demand (BOD)

Not determined

Chemical oxygen demand (COD)

Not determined

12.4. Mobility in soil

The substance has low mobility in soil.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Not classified as PBT or vPvB.

12.6. Other adverse effects

May cause pH changes in aqueous ecological systems. Depending on local conditions and existing concentrations, disturbances in the biodegradation process of activated sludge are possible.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous. Must not be discharged to atmosphere. Refer to the EIGA code of practice (Doc.30 "Disposal of Gases", downloadable at <http://www.eiga.org>) for more guidance on suitable disposal methods.

Contact supplier if guidance is required. Dispose of cylinder via gas supplier only. Gases in pressure containers (including halons) containing dangerous substances

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SECTION 14: Transport information

ADR/RID

14.1. UN number

1017

14.2. UN proper shipping name

Chlorine

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Class: 2

Classification Code: 2TOC

Labels: 2.3, 8, 5.1

Hazard number: 265

Tunnel restriction code: (C/D)

Emergency Action Code: 2XE

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14.4. Packing group (Packing Instruction)

P200

14.5. Environmental hazards

Environmentally hazardous.

14.6. Special precautions for user

None.

IMDG

14.1. UN number

1017

14.2. UN proper shipping name

Chlorine

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Class: 2.3

Labels: 2.3, 8, 5.1

EmS: F-C, S-U

14.4. Packing group (Packing Instruction)

P200

14.5. Environmental hazards

Environmentally hazardous.

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.

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

CSA has not been carried out.

SECTION 16: Other information

Ensure all national/local regulations are observed. Ensure operators understand the toxicity hazard. Users of breathing apparatus must be trained. 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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