

# Carbon Dioxide

## Section 1: IDENTIFICATION of the MATERIAL and SUPPLIER

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| GHS Product Identifier | Carbon Dioxide   |
| Product Name:          | Carbon Dioxide, compressed   |
| Chemical Name:         | Carbon dioxide   |
| Synonym(s):            | CARBON DIOXIDE; CO <sub>2</sub>  |
| Uses:                  | Beverage product dispensing. Inert Gas. Calibration Gas. Industrial applications. Shielding Gas. |
| Supplier Name:         | Speed Gas Pty Ltd  |
| Address:               | 49 Chard Road, Brookvale, NSW 2100   |
| Telephone:             | 1300 GAS NOW, 02 9907 7999   |
| Fax:                   | 02 9907 7666   |
| Emergency:             | 24hr EMERGENCY TELEPHONE (Australia Only) 1300 994 556   |
| Emergency:             | DIAL 000   |
| Website:               | <a href="http://www.speedgas.com.au">www.speedgas.com.au</a>                                     |

## Section 2: HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

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| GHS Classification: | Gases Under Pressure: Compressed Gas |
| Label Elements:     |                                      |
| Signal Word:        | WARNING                              |
| Pictogram(s):       |                                      |



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| Hazard Statements:     | H280 – Contains gas under pressure; May explode if heated.                                  |
| Prevention Statements: | None allocated  |
| Response Statements:   | None allocated  |
| Storage Statements:    | P410 + P403 Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.                        |
| Disposal Statements:   | None allocated  |
| Other Hazards:         | Heavier than air. Asphyxiant. This product may displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation. |

## Section 3: COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### Substances / Mixtures

| Ingredient     | CAS Number | EC Number | Content |
|----------------|------------|-----------|---------|
| CARBON DIOXIDE | 124-38-9   | 204-696-9 | >99.9%  |

## Section 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### Description of First Aid Measures

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| Eyes:      | Cold burns: Immediately flush with tepid water or with sterile saline solution. Hold eyelids apart and irrigate for 15 minutes. Seek medical attention.  |
| Inhaled:   | Remove from exposure, but avoid becoming a casualty. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably using an automated oxygen resuscitator. Rest and keep warm. Obtain medical attention. For advice contact Poisons Information Centre <b>Ph: 13 11 26</b> or a doctor.                    |
| Skin:      | Cold burns: Remove contaminated clothing and gently flush affected areas with warm water (30°C) for 15 minutes. Apply sterile dressing and treat as for a thermal burn. For large burns, immerse in warm water for 15 minutes. DO NOT apply any form of direct heat. Seek immediate medical attention. |
| Ingestion: | Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.   |

First Aid Facilities                      No information provided

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. Low concentrations of CO<sub>2</sub> cause increased respiration and headache.

Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed.

Treat for asphyxia and cold burns.

## Section 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Media:                      Use water fog to cool containers from protected area.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture:                      Non Flammable.

Advice for Firefighters:                      Temperatures in a fire may cause cylinders to rupture. Cool cylinders or containers exposed to fire by applying water from a protected location. Remove cool cylinders from the path of the fire. Evacuate the area if unable to keep cylinders cool. Do not approach cylinders or containers suspected of being hot.

Hazchem Code:                      2T  
2    Fine Water Spray  
T    Wear full fire kit and breathing apparatus. Dilute spill and run-off

## Section 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures.

**Non-emergency personnel:**

No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Avoid breathing gas. Provide adequate ventilation. 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.

**Environmental Precautions:**

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

**Methods of cleaning up:**

Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Carefully move to a well ventilated area. Allow gas to escape to atmosphere, preferably in an open remote location. Do not attempt to repair leaking valve or cylinder safety devices.

**Reference to other sections:**

See Section 8 for Exposure Controls and Section 13 for disposal considerations

## Section 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Precautions for Safe Handling.**

Use safe work practices to avoid skin and eye contact inhalation. Use appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. Use a suitable hand truck for cylinder movement. Contains gas under pressure. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure. Close valve after each use and when empty. The uncontrolled release of a gas under pressure may cause physical harm.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities.**

Store cylinders below 45°C upright in a secure enclosure, preferably outside of buildings, protected from direct sunlight. Cylinders should also be stored in a dry, well ventilated area constructed of non-combustible material with firm level floor (preferably concrete). Secure cylinders by chains or similar device to prevent falling over. Keep away from flammable or combustible materials. Keep away from vehicular traffic and other thoroughfares.

**Specific end use(s):** No information provided.

## 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Control Parameters.

#### Exposure Standards

| Ingredient     | Reference | TWA  |                   | STEL  |                   |
|----------------|-----------|------|-------------------|-------|-------------------|
|                |           | ppm  | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | ppm   | mg/m <sup>3</sup> |
| Carbon Dioxide | SWA (Aus) | 5000 | 9000              | 30000 | 54000             |

Biological limits: No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

### Exposure Controls.

Engineering Controls Avoid Inhalation. Provide suitable ventilation to minimise or eliminate exposure.  
Maintain vapour levels below the recommended exposure standard

#### PPE

Eye/Face Wear Safety Glasses  
Hands Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn.  
Body Personal protective equipment for the body and appropriate footwear should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.  
Respiratory Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary.



## Section 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties.

Appearance: Colourless gas  
Odour: Odourless  
Flammability: Not Flammable.  
Flash Point: Not Relevant  
Boiling Point: -78.5°C  
Melting Point: -56.6°C  
Evaporation Rate: Not applicable  
pH: Not applicable.  
Specific gravity: Not applicable.  
Solubility in Water 0.759 cm<sup>3</sup>/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Vapour Pressure: 5700 kPa @ 20°C (Approximately)  
Upper explosion limit: Not Relevant  
Lower explosion limit: Not Relevant  
Partition Coefficient: Not available

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| Auto-Ignition Temperature: | Not available |
| Decomposition Temperature: | Not available |
| Viscosity                  | Not available |
| Explosive Properties       | Not available |
| Oxidising Properties       | Not available |
| Odour Threshold            | Not available |

#### Other Information

|                                |                                 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Critical Pressure:             | 7380 kPa (Approximately)        |
| Cylinder Pressure (when full): | 5700 kPa @ 20°C (Approximately) |
| Vapour Density:                | 1.53 (Air=1)                    |
| Volatiles:                     | 100%                            |
| Critical Temperature:          | 30°C                            |

## Section 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Reactivity.

No specific test data related to reactivity available for this product or its ingredients. Carefully review all information provided in sections below.

### Chemical Stability.

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

### Possibility of Hazardous Reactions.

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.

### Conditions to Avoid.

Avoid shock, friction, heavy impact and heat. Avoid contact with incompatible materials.

### Incompatible Materials.

Moist carbon dioxide is corrosive, hence acid resistant materials are required (e.g. stainless steel). Certain properties of some plastics and rubbers may be affected by carbon dioxide (i.e. embrittlement, leaching of plasticisers, etc).

### Hazardous Decomposition Products.

May evolve toxic gases if heated to decomposition.

## Section 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Information on Toxicological Effects.

|                 |  |
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| Acute Toxicity: | No known toxicological effects from this product. Low concentrations of carbon dioxide cause increased respiration and headache. |
| Skin:           | Not irritating to the skin. Contact with dry ice powder may cause frostbite injury or cold burns.                                |
| Eyes:           | Not irritating to the eye. Contact with dry ice powder may cause frostbite injury or cold burns.                                 |
| Sensitisation:  | Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.   |
| Mutagenicity:   | Not classified as a mutagen.   |

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| Carcinogenicity:        | Not classified as a carcinogen.  |
| Reproductive:           | Not classified as a reproductive toxin.  |
| STOT Single Exposure:   | Asphyxiant. Effects are proportional to oxygen displacement. Over exposure may result in dizziness, drowsiness, weakness, fatigue, breathing difficulties and unconsciousness. |
| STOT Repeated Exposure: | Not classified as causing organ damage from repeated exposure.   |
| Aspiration:             | Not classified as causing aspiration.  |

## Section 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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| Toxicity.                      | Not available.   |
| Persistence and Degradability. | Not available.   |
| Bioaccumulative Potential.     | Not available.   |
| Mobility in Soil               | No information provided  |
| Other Adverse Effects          | When discharged to the atmosphere, carbon dioxide may contribute to the greenhouse effect. |

## Section 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Waste Treatment Methods

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| Waste disposal | Cylinders should be returned to the manufacturer or supplier for disposal of contents.   |
| Legislation    | Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. |

## Section 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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|                        | LAND TRANSPORT<br>(ADG) | SEA TRANSPORT<br>(IMDG / IMO) | AIR TRANSPORT<br>(IATA / ICAO) |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| UN Number              | 1013                    | 1013                          | 1013                           |
| Proper Shipping Name   | Carbon Dioxide          | Carbon Dioxide                | Carbon Dioxide                 |
| Transport Hazard Class | 2.2                     | 2.2                           | 2.2                            |
| Packing Group          | None Allocated          | None Allocated                | None Allocated                 |

Environmental Hazards No information provided

### Special Precautions for User

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GTEPG 2C1  
EMS F-C, S-V

Other Information: Transport on open top vehicles in accordance with Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods. Refer to Commonwealth, State and Territory Dangerous Goods Legislation which contain requirements which affect gas storage and transport.

## Section 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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 Labelling of Chemicals.  
The classifications and phrases listed below are based on the Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC: 1008(2004)].

Hazard Codes: None Allocated

Risk Phrases: None Allocated

Safety Phrases: None Allocated

Inventory Listing(s): AUSTRALIA: AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)  
All components are listed on AICS, or are exempt.

## Section 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. When using this gas/gas mixture for welding, cutting and associated processes, additional hazards may be generated by the process such as radiation, noise and fume. Risk assessments should be made for each activity to identify and quantify the individual hazards involved.

APPLICATION METHOD Gas regulator of suitable pressure and flow rating fitted to cylinder or manifold with low pressure gas distribution to equipment. Liquid withdrawal: may be used as liquid or vaporised for pressure regulated gas distribution.

### 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 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 Harmonised 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/m <sup>3</sup> | 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)  |
| SUSMP             | Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons                                    |
| SWA               | Safe Work Australia   |
| TLV               | Threshold Limit Value   |
| TWA               | Time Weighted Average   |

[ End of SDS ]