



SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. IDENTIFICATION: PRODUCT IDENTIFIER AND CHEMICAL IDENTITY

Product Name: ARGON / CARBON DIOXIDE

Part Number: 216023

Recommended Use of the Chemical and Restriction on Use: Industrial use (welding)

Details of Manufacturer or Importer:

Primus Australia Pty Ltd trading as Companion Brands

3/20 Enterprise Drive

Bundoora VIC 3083

Phone Number: 03 9468 4400

Emergency telephone number: National Poison Information Centre: 13 11 26

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazardous Nature:



gas cylinder

Press. Gas D H280 Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Signal Word Warning

Hazard Statements

H280 Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Precautionary Statements

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

3. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Characterization: Mixtures

Description: Mixture of substances listed below.

Hazardous Components:

7440-37-1	argon	Press. Gas R, H281	80-98%
124-38-9	Carbon dioxide	Press. Gas L, H280	2-20%

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation:

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Seek medical attention if breathing problems develop.

Skin Contact: Not expected to present a significant hazard.

Eye Contact: Not expected to present a significant hazard.

Ingestion: Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.

Symptoms Caused by Exposure:

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High concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Symptoms may include loss of consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation.

Low concentrations of CO₂ cause increased respiration and headache.

High concentrations of CO₂ cause rapid respiratory failure. Symptoms are headache, nausea, vomiting and loss of consciousness.

5 . FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable Extinguishing Media: Use fire extinguishing methods suitable to surrounding conditions.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical:

Contains gas under pressure. In a fire or if heated, a pressure increase will occur and the container may burst or explode. Use water spray to cool fire exposed containers. Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self contained breathing apparatus. Apply artificial respiration if breathing stopped.

Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire Fighters:

When fighting a major fire wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective equipment.

6 . ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures:

Wear approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing. Evacuate all non-essential personnel from affected area. Do not breathe vapours. Ensure adequate ventilation.

Environmental Precautions:

In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering sewers, basements and workpits, or any place where its accumulation can be dangerous.

Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up:

Stop leak if safe to do so. If not, bring the cylinder outdoors, in a ventilated area, and after that empty it in the atmosphere.

7 . HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for Safe Handling:

Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid inhalation of vapours. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle gases under pressure.

Open slowly the valve in order to avoid pressure shot. Do not allow backfeed into the container. Avoid the backfeed of water. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop. When moving cylinders, even for short distances, use a cart. 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. Close container valve after each use and when empty, even if still connected to equipment. Do not attempt to transfer gases from one cylinder/container to another. Do not use direct flame or electrical heating devices to raise the pressure of a container.

Food, beverages and tobacco products should not be stored or consumed where this material is in use. Do not smoke while handling product.

Conditions for Safe Storage:

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Store in a cool, dry and well ventilated area. Do not expose to the sun or temperatures exceeding 50 °C. Keep containers in upright position. Protect from heat, sparks, open flames and other sources of ignition. Keep away from combustible materials. Containers' valve guards or caps should be in place. Check periodically for damage or leaks.

8 . EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Standards:

7440-37-1 argon

NES Asphyxiant

124-38-9 Carbon dioxide

NES STEL: 54000 mg/m³, 30000 ppm
TWA: 9000 mg/m³, 5000 ppm

Engineering Controls:

Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapour below occupational exposure standards.

Avoid under-oxygenated atmospheres (O₂<18%). In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation.

Oxygen gas detectors should be used when asphyxiating gases may be released.

Respiratory Protection:

Wear approved self-contained breathing apparatus in case of insufficient ventilation or leaks. See Australian Standards AS/NZS 1715 and 1716 for more information.

Skin Protection:

Safety leather gloves, protective clothing and safety boots. See Australian Standards AS/NZS 2161, 2210.1 and 2210.2 for more information.

Eye and Face Protection:

Safety glasses with top and side shields or goggles. See Australian/New Zealand Standards AS/NZS 1336 and 1337 for more information.

9 . PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance:

Form:

Gas

Colour:

Colourless

Odour:

Odourless

Odour Threshold:

Odour threshold is subjective and inadequate to warn for overexposure.

pH-Value:

Not applicable

Melting point/Melting range:

Argon: -189.34 °C

Carbon dioxide: Sublimation -78.5 °C

Initial Boiling Point/Boiling Range:

Argon: -186 °C (1.013 bar)

Carbon dioxide: Sublimation -78.5 °C

Flash Point:

Not applicable

Flammability:

Product is not flammable.

Auto-ignition Temperature:

Decomposition Temperature:

No information available

Explosion Limits:

Lower:

Not applicable

Upper:

Not applicable

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Vapour Pressure:	5.7722 kg/m ³ (1.013 bar at boiling point)
Density at 20 °C:	0.00181 g/cm ³
Relative Density:	Argon: 1.38 Carbon dioxide: 1.52
Vapour Density:	Argon: 1.6903 kg/m ³ (1.013 bar at 15 °C) Carbon dioxide: 1.8714 kg/m ³ (1.013 bar at 15 °C)
Evaporation Rate:	Not applicable
Solubility in Water:	Argon: 67 mg/L (15 °C; 1.013 bar) Carbon dioxide: 1.7163 vol/vol (0 °C; 1.013 bar)
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water):	No information available
Viscosity:	Argon: 2.1017E-04 Poise (1.013 bar at 0 °C) Carbon dioxide: 1.3711E-04 Poise (1.013 bar at 0 °C)
Additional Information:	Critical temperature (°C): Argon -122.46, Carbon dioxide 30.98 Critical pressure: Argon 48.63, Carbon dioxide 73.77 Critical density: Argon 535.6, Carbon dioxide 467.6 Triple point (temperature): Argon -189.34 °C, Carbon dioxide -56.56 °C Triple point (pressure): Argon 0.687 bar, Carbon dioxide 5.187 bar

10 . STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** Inert gas**Chemical Stability:** Stable at ambient temperature and under normal conditions of use.**Conditions to Avoid:** Heat, sparks, open flames and other sources of ignition.**Incompatible Materials:** None**Hazardous Decomposition Products:**

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

11 . TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**Toxicity:****Acute Health Effects****Inhalation:**

High concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Symptoms may include loss of consciousness. Victim may not be aware of asphyxiation. Low concentrations of carbon dioxide cause increased respiration and headache. High concentrations of carbon dioxide cause rapid respiratory failure. Symptoms are headache, nausea, vomiting and loss of consciousness.

Skin: No adverse health effects expected.**Eye:** No adverse health effects expected.**Ingestion:** Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.**Skin Corrosion / Irritation:** Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Serious Eye Damage / Irritation:** Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Respiratory or Skin Sensitisation:** No sensitising effects known.**Germ Cell Mutagenicity:** Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Carcinogenicity:** This product does NOT contain any IARC listed chemicals.

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Reproductive Toxicity: Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Specific Target Organ Toxicity (STOT) - Single Exposure:**

Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity (STOT) - Repeated Exposure:

Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.

Aspiration Hazard: Based on classification principles, the classification criteria are not met.**Chronic Health Effects:** No information available**Existing Conditions Aggravated by Exposure:** No information available**12 . ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Ecotoxicity:** No information available**Aquatic toxicity:** No information available**Persistence and Degradability:** No information available**Bioaccumulative Potential:** No information available**Mobility in Soil:** No information available**13 . DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****Disposal Methods and Containers:**

Do not discharge into any place where its accumulation could be dangerous, but in atmosphere or well ventilated area.

Dispose according to applicable local and state government regulations.

Special Precautions for Landfill or Incineration:

Please consult your state Land Waste Management Authority for more information.

14 . TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN Number	1956
Proper Shipping Name	COMPRESSED GAS, N.O.S. (Argon, Carbon dioxide)
IATA	Cargo: Pkg Inst: 200 Max Net Qty/Pkg: 150kg Passenger: Pkg Inst: 200 Max Net Qty/Pkg: 75kg ERG Code: 2L
Dangerous Goods Class	2.2
Packing Group:	Not applicable
Marine pollutant:	No
EMS Number:	F-C,S-V

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Hazchem Code: 2TE

Special Provisions: 274, 292

Limited Quantities: 120 mL

Packagings & IBCs - Packing Instruction: P200

15 . REGULATORY INFORMATION

Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances:

7440-37-1	argon
124-38-9	Carbon dioxide

16 . OTHER INFORMATION

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GHS: Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TWA: Time Weighted Average

NES: National Exposure Standard (Safe Work Australia - Workplace Exposure Standards For Airborne Contaminants)

Press. Gas D: Gases under pressure: Dissolved gas

Press. Gas L: Gases under pressure: Liquefied gas

Press. Gas R: Gases under pressure: Refrigerated liquefied gas

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