

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

1.1 Product identifier

Product name NITROGEN COMPRESSED

Synonym(s) STAREAST NITROGEN COMPRESSED

1.2 Uses and uses advised against

Use(s) INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS

1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

Supplier name STAREAST INTERNATIONAL PTY LTD

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1.4 Emergency telephone number(s)

**Emergency** (02) 9792 5988 - Select option 2

# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO AUSTRALIAN WHS REGULATIONS

GHS classification(s) Gases Under Pressure: Compressed gas

2.2 Label elements

Signal word WARNING

Pictogram(s)



Hazard statement(s)

H280 Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Prevention statement(s)

None allocated.

Response statement(s)

None allocated.

Storage statement(s)

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

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Disposal statement(s)

None allocated.

2.3 Other hazards

Asphyxiant. Effects are proportional to oxygen displacement.



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# 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
NITROGEN	7727-37-9	231-783-9	100%

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of 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). Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. Give oxygen if available.

**Skin** Adverse effects not expected from this product.

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

First aid facilities No information provided.

# 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 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Use water fog to cool containers from protected area.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Non flammable.

# 5.3 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.

### 5.4 Hazchem code

2T

2 Fine Water Spray.

T Wear full fire kit and breathing apparatus. Dilute spill and run-off.

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

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.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

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

# 6.3 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.

# 6.4 Reference to other sections

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE



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### 7.1 Precautions for safe 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.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Do not store near incompatible materials. Cylinders should be stored below 45°C in a secure area, upright and restrained to prevent cylinders from falling. Cylinders should also be stored 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.

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information provided.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

# 8.1 Control parameters

### **Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
mgredient	Reference		mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³
Nitrogen	SWA (AUS)	Asphyxiant			

### **Biological limits**

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

# 8.2 Exposure controls

**Engineering controls** Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction

ventilation is recommended.

**PPE** 

Wear safety glasses. Eye / Face Hands Wear leather gloves. Wear safety boots. **Body** 

Respiratory Where an inhalation risk exists, wear Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) or an Air-line respirator.







# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

**Appearance COLOURLESS GAS** Odour **ODOURLESS Flammability** NON FLAMMABLE Flash point NOT RELEVANT

**Boiling point** -196°C **Melting point** -210°C

**Evaporation rate** NOT RELEVANT **NOT RELEVANT** pН Vapour density NOT AVAILABLE Specific gravity NOT AVAILABLE Solubility (water) **INSOLUBLE** Vapour pressure NOT RELEVANT Upper explosion limit NOT RELEVANT Lower explosion limit NOT RELEVANT Partition coefficient **NOT AVAILABLE Autoignition temperature NOT AVAILABLE Decomposition temperature NOT AVAILABLE Viscosity NOT AVAILABLE** 

**NOT AVAILABLE** 

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**Explosive properties** 

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### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Oxidising properties NOT AVAILABLE
Odour threshold NOT AVAILABLE

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

Unreactive under normal conditions.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Polymerization will not occur.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Compatible with most commonly used materials. Avoid heating cylinders.

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

This material will not decompose to form hazardous products other than that already present.

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity Information available for the product:

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Skin Not classified as a skin irritant.

Eye Not classified as an eye irritant.

**Sensitization** Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

MutagenicityNot classified as a mutagen.CarcinogenicityNot classified as a carcinogen.

**Reproductive** Not classified as a reproductive toxin.

STOT - single Asphyxiant. Effects are proportional to oxygen displacement. Over exposure may result in dizziness,

**exposure** 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.

# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# 12.1 Toxicity

No ecological damage caused by this product. Nitrogen is the major component of the atmosphere (78 % v/v). It is a fairly unreactive gas and will not contribute to ozone depletion or global warming. If released to soil or water, nitrogen will quickly disperse to the atmosphere. Not toxic to plants or animals except at extremely high (asphyxiating) levels.

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No information provided.

# 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No information provided.

# 12.4 Mobility in soil

No information provided.

### 12.5 Other adverse effects

No information provided.

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# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

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

### CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE



	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
14.1 UN Number	1066	1066	1066
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	NITROGEN, COMPRESSED	NITROGEN, COMPRESSED	NITROGEN, COMPRESSED
14.3 Transport hazard class	2.2	2.2	2.2
14.4 Packing Group	None Allocated	None Allocated	None Allocated

14.5 Environmental hazards No information provided

14.6 Special precautions for user

2T Hazchem code 2C1 **GTEPG EMS** F-C, S-V

Other information Ensure cylinder is separated from driver and that outlet of relief device is not obstructed.

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 15.1 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. None allocated. Risk phrases None allocated. Safety phrases

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: Gas regulator of suitable pressure and flow rating fitted to cylinder or

manifold with low pressure gas distribution to equipment.



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### 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

EMS Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous

Goods)

GHS Globally Harmonized 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/m³ 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

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