

SAFETY DATA SHEET

SDS Number: 000A

AIR

SECTION: 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Identifier : Air
CAS No. : 132259-10-0
Chemical name : Air, mixture of nitrogen and oxygen (mixture of 20% - 22.0% oxygen, balance nitrogen) or Air compressed from the atmosphere)
Synonyms : Compressed Air, Synthetic Air, Zero Air, Instrument Air
REACH Registration Number : Listed in Annex IV/V REACH, exempted from registration.

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

Use of the substance/mixture : General Industrial and Professional use. Perform risk assessment prior to use.

Restriction on Use : Not for consumer use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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SECTION: 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

Gases under pressure – Compressed gas. H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Label elements

Hazard pictograms/symbols



Signal Word : Warning

Hazard Statements:

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Other hazards

High pressure gas.

SECTION: 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Mixtures : Not applicable

Substances

Components	EINECS/ELINCS Number	CAS Number	Concentration (V)
Air	Not Available	132259-10-0	100%

OR

Components	EINECS/ELINCS Number	CAS Number	Concentration (V)
Oxygen	231-956-9	7782-44-7	20% - 22%
Nitrogen	231-783-9	7727-37-9	Balance

Components	Classification (CLP)	REACH Reg. #
Oxygen	Ox. Gas 1; H270 Press. Gas (comp.) H280	*1
Nitrogen	Press. Gas (Comp.); H280	*1

*1: Listed in Annex IV/V REACH, exempted from registration.

*2: Registration not required: Substance manufactured or imported.

*3: Registration not required: substance manufactured or imported < 1 t/y for non-intermediate uses

Concentration is nominal. For the exact product composition, please refer to Air Products product specifications.

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SECTION: 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures

- Eye contact : In effects case of direct contact with eyes, seek medical advice.
- Skin contact : Adverse effects not considered from this product.
- Ingestion : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.
- Inhalation : Adverse not considered from this product

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

- Symptoms : No data available

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

- Treatment : If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice.

SECTION: 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media : The product itself does not burn. Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.
- Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons : Do not use water jet to extinguish.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Can support combustion. Upon exposure to intense heat or flame, cylinder will vent rapidly and or rupture violently. Move away from container and cool with water from a protected position. If possible, stop flow of product. Keep adjacent cylinders and surroundings cool by spraying with large amounts of water until the fire burns itself out.

- Advice for fire-fighters** : Standard protective clothing and equipment (self-contained breathing apparatus) for fire fighters.
Standard EN 469 – Protective clothing for fire-fighters.
Standard EN 659 – Protective gloves for fire-fighters.

SECTION: 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Evacuate personnel to safe area. Ventilate the area.

Environmental precautions : Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Ventilate the area.

Additional advice : If possible, stop flow of product. If leak is from cylinder or cylinder valve, call the Air Products emergency telephone number. If the leak is in the user's system, close the cylinder valve, safely vent the pressure, before attempting repairs.

Reference to other sections : For more information refer to sections 8 and 13.

SECTION: 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Cylinders should be stored up right with valve protection guard in place and firmly secured to prevent falling or being knocked over. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop. Do not allow storage area temperature to exceed 50°C. Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle compressed gases/cryogenic liquids. Before using the product, determine its identity by reading the label. Know and understand the properties and hazards of the product before use. When doubt exists as to the correct handling procedure for a particular gas, contact the supplier. 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. Do not remove valve guards. Before connecting the container, check the complete gas system for suitability, particularly for pressure rating and materials. Before connecting the container for use, ensure that back feed from the system into the container is prevented. Ensure the complete gas system is compatible for pressure rating and materials of construction. Ensure the complete gas system has been checked for leaks before use. Employ suitable pressure regulating devices on all containers when the gas is being emitted to systems with lower pressure rating than that of the container. Never insert an object (e.g., spanner/wrench, screwdriver, pry bar, etc.) into valve openings. Doing so may damage valve causing a leak to occur.

Open valve slowly. 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. Close valve after each use and when empty. Do not subject containers to abnormal mechanical shocks which may cause damage to their valve or safety devices. Never attempt to lift a cylinder by its valve guard. Do not use containers as rollers or supports or for any other purpose than to contain the gas as supplied.

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Never strike an arc on a compressed gas cylinder or make a cylinder a part of an electrical circuit. Do not smoke while handling product or cylinders. Never re-compress a gas or a gas mixture without first consulting the supplier. Never attempt to transfer gases from one cylinder/container to another.

Always use backflow protective device in piping. Never use direct flame or electrical heating devices to raise the pressure of a container. Containers should not be subjected to temperatures above 50°C. Prolonged periods of cold temperature below -30°C should be avoided.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Full containers should be stored so that oldest stock is used first. Containers should be stored in a purpose-built compound which should be well ventilated, preferably in the open air. Stored containers should be periodically checked for general condition and leakage. Observe all regulations and local requirements regarding storage of containers. Protect containers stored in the open against rusting and extremes of weather. Containers should not be stored in conditions likely to encourage corrosion. Containers should be stored in the vertical position and properly secured to prevent toppling. The container valves should be tightly closed and where appropriate valve outlets should be capped or plugged. Container valve guards or caps should be in place. Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. Store containers in location free from fire risk and away from sources of heat and ignition. Full and empty cylinders should be segregated. Do not allow storage temperature to exceed 50°C. Return empty containers in a timely manner.

Technical measures/Precautions

Containers should be segregated in the storage area according to the various categories (e.g., flammable, toxic, etc.) and in accordance with local regulations. Keep away from combustible material.

SECTION: 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

- Hand protection : Wear work gloves when handling gas cylinders. Standard EN 388- Protective gloves against mechanical risk.
The breakthrough time of the selected glove(s) must be greater than the intended use period.
- Eye/face protection : Safety glasses recommended when handling cylinders. Standard EN 166-Personal eye-protection.
- Skin and body protection : Safety shoes are recommended when handling cylinders. Standard EN ISO 20345- Personal protective equipment-Safety footwear.
- Special instructions for protection and hygiene : Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

SECTION: 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

- Form : Compressed gas.
- Colour : Colourless gas
- Odour : No odour warning properties.
- Molecular Weight : 28.96 g/mol
- Relative vapour density : 1 (air = 1)
- Vapour pressure : Not applicable.
- Density : 0.0013 g/cm³ at 21 °C Note: (as vapour)
- Relative density : Not applicable.
- Specific Volume : 0.7710 m³/kg at 21 °C
- Boiling point/range : -194.3 °C
- Critical temperature : -141 °C
- Melting point/range : -216 °C
- Water solubility : Not known but considered to have low solubility.
- Partition coefficient n-octanol/water [log Kow] : Not applicable
- pH : Not applicable
- Viscosity : No reliable data available
- Particle characteristics : Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures
- Upper and Lower explosion/ flammability limits : No data available
- Flash point : Not applicable
- Auto-ignition temperature : Not known.
- Decomposition temperature : Not applicable
- ### Other information
- Explosive properties : Not applicable
- Oxidizing properties : Not applicable
- Odour threshold : Odour threshold is subjective and inadequate to warn of overexposure.
- Evaporation rate : Not applicable
- Flammability (solid, gas) : Refer to production classification section 2.

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SECTION: 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

- Reactivity** : No reactivity hazard other than the effects described in sub sections below.
- Chemical Stability** : Stable under normal conditions.
- Possibility of hazardous reactions** : No data available
- Conditions to avoid** : No data available.
- Incompatible materials** : No data available
- Hazardous decomposition products** : Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION: 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Likely routes of exposure

- Effects on Eye : In case of direct contact with the eyes, seek medical advice.
- Effects on Skin : Adverse effects not expected from this product.
- Inhalation effects : No adverse effect.
- Ingestion effects : Ingestion is not considered a potential route of exposure.
- Symptoms : No data available

Acute toxicity

- Acute oral toxicity : No data available on the product itself
- Acute inhalation toxicity : No data available on the product itself
- Acute dermal toxicity : No data available on the product itself
- Skin corrosion/irritation : No data available
- Serious eye damage / irritation : No data available
- Sensitization : No data available

Chronic toxicity or effects from long term exposure

- Carcinogenicity : No data available
- Reproductive toxicity : No data available on the product itself
- Germ cell mutagenicity : No data available on the product itself
- Specific target organ systemic toxicity (single exposure) : No data available
- Specific target organ systemic toxicity (repeated exposure) : No data available
- Aspiration hazard : No data available

SECTION: 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

- Aquatic toxicity : No data is available on the product itself.
- Toxicity to other organisms : No data is available on the product itself.

Persistence and degradability

No data available

Bioaccumulative potential : Refer to section 9 “Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)”

Mobility in soil : Because of its high volatility, product is unlikely to cause ground pollution.

Other adverse effects

No ecological damage caused by this product.

Effect on the ozone layer : No known effects from this product

Ozone Depleting Potential : None

Effect on the global warming : No known effects from this product

Global Warming Potential : None

SECTION: 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods : Contact supplier if guidance is required. Return unused product in original cylinder to supplier.

Contaminated packaging : Return cylinder to supplier.

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SECTION: 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

ADR

UN/ID No. : UN1002
Proper shipping name : AIR, COMPRESSED
Class or Division : 2
Tunnel Code : (E)
Label(s) : 2.2
ADR/RID Hazard ID no. : 20
Marine Pollutant : No

IATA

UN/ID No. : UN1002
Proper shipping name : Air, compressed
Class or Division : 2.2
Label(s) : 2.2
Marine Pollutant : No

IMDG

UN/ID No. : UN1002
Proper shipping name : AIR, COMPRESSED
Class or Division : 2.2
Label(s) : 2.2
Marine Pollutant : No
Segregation Group : None

RID

UN/ID No. : UN1002
Proper shipping name : AIR, COMPRESSED
Class or Division : 2
Label(s) : 2.2
Marine Pollutant : No

Further 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. Ensure compliance with applicable regulations.

Before transporting product containers ensure that they are firmly secured, and cylinder valve is closed and not leaking, valve outlet cap nut or plug (where provided) is correctly fitted and the valve protection device (where provided) is correctly fitted.

The transportation information is not intended to convey all specific regulatory data relating to this material. For complete transportation information, contact an Air Products customer service representative.

SECTION: 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

OHS Act : Occupational Health and Safety Act 85 of 1993 (and Regulations)

SANS 11014 : Safety data sheet for chemical products- Content and order of sections

SANS 10234 : Globally Harmonized System of classification and labelling of chemicals (GHS)

SANS 10265 : The classification and labelling of dangerous substances and preparations for sale and handling.

SANS 10019 : Transportable containers for compressed, dissolved and liquefied gases – Basic design, manufacture, use and maintenance.

SANS 1518 : Transport of dangerous goods – Design, construction, testing, approval and maintenance of road vehicles and portable tanks

SANS 10228 : The identification and classification of dangerous goods for transport

SANS 10229-1&2 : Transport of dangerous goods – Packaging and large packaging for road and rail transport Part 1: Packaging / Part 2: Large Packaging

SANS 10263-2 : The warehousing of dangerous goods Part 2: The storage and handling of gas cylinders.

NB: Refer to latest edition.

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SECTION: 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Ensure all national/local regulations are observed.

Hazard Statements

H280: Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Indication of Method

Gases under pressure. Compressed gas. Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.

Abbreviations and acronyms

ATE – Acute Toxicity Estimate
CLP – Classification Labelling Packaging Regulation; Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
REACH – Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006
EINECS – European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
ELINCS – European List of Notified Chemical Substances
CAS# - Chemical Abstract Service number
PPE – Personal Protective Clothing
Kow – octanol-water partition coefficient
LC50- Lethal Concentration to 50% of a test population
LD50 – Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose)
OEL – Occupational Exposure Limit
PBT – Persistent Bioaccumulative and Toxic
vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative
STOT – Specific Target Organ Toxicity
EN – European Standard
UN – United Nations
ADR – European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
IATA – International Air Transport Association
IMDG – International Maritime Dangerous Goods
RID – Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail

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