# **Safety Data Sheet**



# Ammonia

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

1.1. Product identifier

Trade name : Anhydrous ammonia

SDS no : AL068

Chemical description : Anhydrous ammonia

CAS-No.: 7664-41-7 EC-No.: 231-635-3

EC Index-No.: 007-001-00-5

REACH registration No : 01-2119488876-14

Chemical formula : NH3

#### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses : See the list of identified uses and exposure scenarios in the annex of the safety data sheet.

Perform risk assessment prior to use.

Uses advised against : Consumer use

Uses other than those listed above are not supported, contact your supplier for more

information on other uses.

# 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company identification : Air Liquide Australia Limited

Level 12 / 600 St. Kilda Road 3004 Melbourne VIC Australia

+61 3 9697 9888

ALAEnquiries@AirLiquide.com

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone number : 1800 812 588

# **SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

### Classification according to WHS Regulation

Physical hazards	Flammable gases, Category 2	H221
	Gases under pressure : Liquefied gas	H280
Health hazards Health hazards	Skin corrosion/irritation, Category 1, Sub-Category 1B	H314
Health hazards	Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Category 1	H318
Health Hazards	, , ,	
	Acute toxicity (inhalation:gas) Category 3	H331
Environmental hazards	Hazardous to the aquatic environment — Acute Hazard, Category 1 Hazardous to the aquatic environment — Chronic Hazard, Category 2	H400 H411

# 2.2. Label elements

## Classification according to WHS Regulation



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Hazard pictograms









GHS04

GHS05

GHS07

GHS09

Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage..

H221 - Flammable gas..

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

H331 - Toxic if inhaled..

H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects..

EUH071 - Corrosive to the respiratory tract..

Precautionary statements

- Prevention: P280 - Wear eye protection, face protection, protective clothing, protective gloves..

P273 - Avoid release to the environment... P260 - Do not breathe gas, vapours.

P210 - Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No

smokina.

- Response : P303+P361+P353+P315 - IF ON SKIN: (or hair) Remove/Take off immediately all

contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Get immediate medical advice / attention. 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.

P377 - Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely..

P381 - In case of leakage, eliminate all ignition sources.

P405 - Store locked up.. - Storage :

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place..

Other hazards 2.3.

: Not classified as PBT or vPvB.

The substance/mixture has no endocrine disrupting properties.

# **SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

#### Substances <u>3.1.</u>

Name	Product identifier	%	Classification according to WHS Regulation
Anhydrous ammonia	(CAS-No.) 7664-41-7 (EC-No.) 231-635-3 (EC Index-No.) 007-001-00-5 (REACH registration No) 01-2119488876-14	≤ 100	Flam. Gas 2, H221 Press. Gas (Liq.), H280 Skin Corr. 1B, H314 Eye Dam. 1, H318 Acute Tox. 3 (Inhalation:gas), H331 Aquatic Acute 1, H400 Aquatic Chronic 2, H411

Full text of H- and EUH-statements: see section 16

Contains no other components or impurities which will influence the classification of the product.

# **SECTION 4: First aid measures**

## **Description of first aid measures**

- Inhalation : Remove victim to uncontaminated area wearing self contained breathing apparatus. Keep

victim warm and rested. Call a doctor. Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation if breathing

stopped.

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- Skin contact

: Remove contaminated clothing. Drench affected area with water for at least 15 minutes. In case of frostbite spray with water for at least 15 minutes. Apply a sterile dressing. Obtain

medical assistance.

- Eye contact : Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes.

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

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

: Prolonged exposure to small concentrations may result in pulmonary oedema.

May cause severe chemical burns to skin and cornea. Suitable first-aid treatment should be

immediately available. Seek medical advice before using product.

Material is destructive to tissue of the mucuous membranes and upper respiratory tract. Cough,

shortness of breath, headache, nausea.

See section 11.

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

: Obtain medical assistance.

Treat with corticosteroid spray as soon as possible after inhalation.

# **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray or fog.

Foam

Shutting off the source of the gas is the preferred method of control.

- Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use water jet to extinguish.

# 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Specific hazards : Exposure to fire may cause containers to rupture/explode.

Hazardous combustion products : Nitric oxide/nitrogen dioxide.

5.3. Advice for fire-fighters

Specific methods : Use fire control measures appropriate for the surrounding fire. Exposure to fire and heat

radiation may cause gas receptacles to rupture. Cool endangered receptacles with water spray jet from a protected position. Prevent water used in emergency cases from entering sewers and

drainage systems.

If possible, stop flow of product.

Use water spray or fog to knock down fire fumes if possible.

Do not extinguish a leaking gas flame unless absolutely necessary. Spontaneous/explosive re-

ignition may occur. Extinguish any other fire.

Move containers away from the fire area if this can be done without risk.

Special protective equipment for fire fighters

Wear gas tight chemically protective clothing in combination with self contained breathing

apparatus.

Standard EN 943-2: Protective clothing against liquid and gaseous chemicals, aerosols and

solid particles. Gas-tight chemical protective suits for emergency teams.

Standard EN 137 - Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full

face mask.

Hazchem Code : 2XE

# SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

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

No additional information available

## 6.2. Environmental precautions

Reduce vapour with fog or fine water spray.

Try to stop release.

#### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

: Hose down area with water.

Ventilate area.

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

# 6.4. Reference to other sections



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: See also sections 8 and 13.

# **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

#### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Safe use of the product

: Use only lubricants and sealings approved for the specific gas service.

The product must be handled in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures.

Only experienced and properly instructed persons should handle gases under pressure.

Consider pressure relief device(s) in gas installations.

Ensure the complete gas system was (or is regularily) checked for leaks before use.

Do not smoke while handling product.

Avoid exposure, obtain special instructions before use.

Use only properly specified equipment which is suitable for this product, its supply pressure and temperature. Contact your gas supplier if in doubt.

Installation of a cross purge assembly between the container and the regulator is

recommended.

Purge system with dry inert gas (e.g. helium or nitrogen) before gas is introduced and when

system is placed out of service.

Avoid suck back of water, acid and alkalis.

Assess the risk of potentially explosive atmospheres and the need for explosion-proof

equipment.

Purge air from system before introducing gas.

Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Keep away from ignition sources (including static discharges).

Consider the use of only non-sparking tools.

Do not breathe gas.

Avoid release of product into atmosphere.

Ensure equipment is adequately earthed.

Safe handling of the gas receptacle : Refer to supplier's container handling instructions.

Do not allow backfeed into the container. Protect containers from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide or drop.

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 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 valve discontinue use and contact supplier.

Never attempt to repair or modify container valves or safety relief devices.

Damaged valves should be reported immediately to the supplier.

Keep container valve outlets clean and free from contaminants particularly oil and water.

Replace valve outlet caps or plugs and container caps where supplied as soon as container is

disconnected from equipment.

Close container valve after each use and when empty, even if still connected to equipment.

Never attempt to transfer gases from one cylinder/container to another.

Never use direct flame or electrical heating devices to raise the pressure of a container. Do not remove or deface labels provided by the supplier for the identification of the content of

the container.

Suck back of water into the container must be prevented.

Open valve slowly to avoid pressure shock.

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

: Observe all regulations and local requirements regarding storage of containers.

Containers should not be stored in conditions likely to encourage corrosion.

Container valve guards or caps should be in place.

Containers should be stored in the vertical position and properly secured to prevent them from falling over.

Stored containers should be periodically checked for general condition and leakage.

Keep container below 50°C in a well ventilated place.

Store containers in location free from fire risk and away from sources of heat and ignition.

Keep away from combustible materials.

Segregate from oxidant gases and other oxidants in store.

All electrical equipment in the storage areas should be compatible with the risk of a potentially explosive atmosphere.

#### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

: None.



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# **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

#### 8.1. Control parameters

OEL (Occupational Exposure Limits): No data available.

Anhydrous ammonia (7664-41-7)			
DNEL: Derived no effect level (Workers)			
Acute - local effects, inhalation	36 mg/m³		
Acute - systemic effects, inhalation	47.6 mg/m³		
Long-term - local effects, inhalation	14 mg/m³		
Long-term - systemic effects, inhalation	47.6 mg/m³		
Acute - systemic effects, dermal	6.8 mg/kg bw/day		
Long-term - systemic effects, dermal	6.8 mg/kg bw/day		

Anhydrous ammonia (7664-41-7)	
PNEC: Predicted no effect concentration	
Aqua (freshwater)	0.0011 mg/l
Aqua (marine water)	0.0011 mg/l

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

# 8.2.1. Appropriate engineering controls

: Provide adequate general and local exhaust ventilation.

Product to be handled in a closed system.

Systems under pressure should be regularily checked for leakages. Ensure exposure is below occupational exposure limits (where available). Gas detectors should be used when toxic gases may be released. Consider the use of a work permit system e.g. for maintenance activities.

#### 8.2.2. Individual protection measures, e.g. personal protective equipment

: 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:

PPE compliant to the recommended EN/ISO standards should be selected.

• Eye/face protection : Wear goggles and a face shield when transfilling or breaking transfer connections.

Standard EN 166 - Personal eye-protection - specifications Provide readily accessible eye wash stations and safety showers.

Skin protection

- Other

- Hand protection : Wear working gloves when handling gas containers.

Standard EN 388 - Protective gloves against mechanical risk.

Standard EN 511 - Cold insulating gloves. Wear chemically resistant protective gloves.

Standard EN 374 - Protective gloves against chemicals.

Permeation time: minimum >30min short term exposure: material / thickness [mm] Chloroprene

rubber (CR) 0,5

Permeation time: minimum >480min long term exposure: material / thickness [mm] Butyl rubber

(IIR) 0,7

Consult glove manufacturer's product information on material suitability and material thickness. The breakthrough time of the selected gloves must be greater than the intended use period.

: Keep suitable chemically resistant protective clothing readily available for emergency use.

Standard EN943-1 - Full protective suits against liquid, solid and gaseous chemicals.

Wear safety shoes while handling containers.

Standard EN ISO 20345 - Personal protective equipment - Safety footwear.

• Respiratory protection : Gas filters may be used if all surrounding conditions e.g. type and concentration of the

contaminant(s) and duration of use are known.
Use gas filters with full face mask, where exposure limits may be exceeded for a short-term

period, e.g. connecting or disconnecting containers.

Recommended: Filter K (green).

Standard EN 137 - Self-contained open-circuit compressed air breathing apparatus with full

face mask.

Gas filters do not protect against oxygen deficiency.

Standard EN 14387 - Gas filter(s), combined filter(s) and standard EN136, full face masks .

Keep self contained breathing apparatus readily available for emergency use.

Self contained breathing apparatus is recommended, where unknown exposure may be

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expected, e.g. during maintenance activities on installation systems.



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• Thermal hazards : None in addition to the above sections

# 8.2.3. Environmental exposure controls

: Refer to local regulations for restriction of emissions to the atmosphere. See section 13 for specific methods for waste gas treatment.

# **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

# 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical state at 20°C / 101.3kPa : Gas.
 Colour : Colourless.
 Odour : Ammoniacal.

Odour threshold : Odour threshold is subjective and inadequate to warn of overexposure.

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

Molar mass : 17 g/mol Melting point : -77.7 °C Boiling point : -33 °C

Flash point : Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.

Critical temperature [°C] : 132 °C

Evaporation rate (ether=1) : No data available
Flammability range : 15.4 - 33.6 vol %
Vapour pressure [20°C] : 8.6 bar(a)
Vapour pressure [50°C] : 20 bar(a)

Relative density gas (air=1) : 0.6

Relative density, gas (air=1) : 0.6
Relative density, liquid (water=1) : 0.7
Solubility in water : 517 g/l

Partition coefficient n-octanol/water [log Kow] : Not applicable for inorganic products.

Auto-ignition temperature : 630 °C

Decomposition point [°C] : Not applicable.

Viscosity [20°C] : No reliable data available.

Explosive Properties : No data available

Oxidising Properties : No oxidising properties

9.2. Other information

Other data : No additional information available

# **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

10.1. Reactivity

: No reactivity hazard other than the effects described in sub-sections below.

10.2. Chemical stability

: Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

: Can form explosive mixture with air.

May react violently with oxidants.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

: Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

Avoid moisture in installation systems.

10.5. Incompatible materials

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: Reacts with water to form corrosive alkalis.

May react violently with acids.

Air, Oxidisers.

For additional information on compatibility refer to ISO 11114.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

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

produced.

### **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity : Toxic if inhaled.

LC50 Inhalation - Rat [ppm] 2000 ppm/4h

Skin corrosion/irritation : Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

 Serious eye damage/irritation
 : Causes serious eye damage.

 Respiratory or skin sensitisation
 : No known effects from this product.

 Germ cell mutagenicity
 : No known effects from this product.

 Carcinogenicity
 : No known effects from this product.

 Toxic for reproduction: Fertility
 : No known effects from this product.

 Toxic for reproduction: unborn child
 : No known effects from this product.

**STOT-single exposure** : May cause inflammation of the respiratory system.

Severe corrosion to the respiratory tract at high concentrations.

Target organ(s) : Respiratory tract.

**STOT-repeated exposure** : No known effects from this product.

**Aspiration hazard** : Not applicable for gases and gas mixtures.

Other information : Inhalation of large amounts leads to bronchospasm, laryngeal oedema and pseudomembrane

formation. The substance/mixture has no endocrine disrupting properties.

# **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

### 12.1. Toxicity

Assessment : Very toxic to aquatic life.

Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Assessment : The substance is readily biodegradable. Unlikely to persist.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Assessment : No data available.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Assessment : Because of its high volatility, the product is unlikely to cause ground or water pollution.

Partition into soil is unlikely.

#### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Assessment : Not classified as PBT or vPvB.

12.6. Other adverse effects

: May cause pH changes in aqueous ecological systems.

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Effect on the ozone layer : No effect on the ozone layer.

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

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# **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### <u>13.1</u>. Waste treatment methods

Contact supplier if guidance is required.

Must not be discharged to atmosphere.

Toxic and corrosive gases formed during combustion should be scrubbed before discharge to

atmosphere.

Gas may be scrubbed in sulphuric acid solution.

Gas may be scrubbed in water.

Ensure that the emission levels from local regulations or operating permits are not exceeded.

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.

Return unused product in original container to supplier.

List of hazardous waste codes (from Commission Decision 2000/532/EC as

amended)

: 16 05 04 \*: Gases in pressure containers (including halons) containing hazardous substances.

# **Additional information**

: External treatment and disposal of waste should comply with applicable local and/or national regulations

# **SECTION 14: Transport information**

#### 14.1. **UN number**

UN-No. : 1005

#### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

Transport by road/rail (ADG) : AMMONIA, ANHYDROUS

Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR) : Ammonia, anhydrous

Transport by sea (IMDG) : AMMONIA, ANHYDROUS

### 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Labelling



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Environmentally hazardous substances

## Transport by road/rail (ADG)

: 2 Hazchem Code : 2XE Hazard identification number : 268

**Tunnel Restriction** : C/D - Tank carriage : Passage forbidden through tunnels of category C, D and E. Other

carriage: Passage forbidden through tunnels of category D and E

### Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)

Class / Div. (Sub. risk(s))

# Transport by sea (IMDG)

Class / Div. (Sub. risk(s)) : 2.3 (8) Emergency Schedule (EmS) - Fire : F-C Emergency Schedule (EmS) - Spillage : S-U

# Packing group



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Transport by road/rail (ADR/RID) : Not applicable
Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR) : Not applicable
Transport by sea (IMDG) : Not applicable

#### 14.5. Environmental hazards

Transport by road/rail (ADR/RID) : Environmentally hazardous substance / mixture.

Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR) : Environmentally hazardous substance / mixture.

Transport by sea (IMDG) : Marine pollutant

#### 14.6. Special precautions for user

# No additional information availablePacking

Instruction(s)

Transport by road/rail (ADR/RID) : P200

Transport by air (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)

Passenger and Cargo Aircraft : Forbidden
Cargo Aircraft only : Forbidden
Transport by sea (IMDG) : P200

Special transport precautions : 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 there is adequate ventilation.
- Ensure that containers are firmly secured.
- Ensure valve is closed and not leaking.

Ensure valve outlet cap nut or plug (where provided) is correctly fitted.
 Ensure valve protection device (where provided) is correctly fitted.

HAZCHEM CODE : 2XE

# 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

: Not applicable.

# **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

# 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### **National regulations**

Ensure all national/local regulations are observed.

#### 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

: A CSA has been carried out.

# **SECTION 16: Other information**

Indication of changes : Revised safety data sheet in accordance with commission regulation (EU) No 453/2010.

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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. CAS# - Chemical Abstract Service number. PPE - Personal Protection Equipment. LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population. RMM - Risk Management Measures. PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic. vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative. STOT- SE: Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure. CSA - Chemical Safety Assessment. EN - European Standard. UN - United Nations. ADR - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road. IATA - International Air Transport Association. IMDG code - International Maritime Dangerous Goods. RID - Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail. WGK - Water Hazard Class. STOT - RE: Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure. UFI: Unique Formula Identifier.

Training advice

: Users of breathing apparatus must be trained. Ensure operators understand the toxicity hazard.

#### Full text of H-statements

Acute Tox. 3 (Inhalation:gas)	Acute toxicity (inhalation:gas) Category 3
Aquatic Acute 1	Hazardous to the aquatic environment — Acute Hazard, Category 1
Aquatic Chronic 2	Hazardous to the aquatic environment — Chronic Hazard, Category 2
EUH071	Corrosive to the respiratory tract.
Eye Dam. 1	Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Category 1
Flam. Gas 2	Flammable gases, Category 2
H221	Flammable gas.
H280	Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H331	Toxic if inhaled.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.
H411	Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
Press. Gas (Liq.)	Gases under pressure : Liquefied gas
Skin Corr. 1B	Skin corrosion/irritation, Category 1, Sub-Category 1B

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