# Material Safety Data Sheet



Sulfur Dioxide

### Section 1. Chemical product and company identification

Product name : Sulfur Dioxide

**Supplier** : AIRGAS INC., on behalf of its subsidiaries

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Radnor, PA 19087-5283

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Product use : Synthetic/Analytical chemistry.

Synonym : Sulfurous acid anhydride; Fermenicide powder; Fermenticide liquid; Sulfur oxide

(SO2); Sulfurous anhydride; Sulfurous oxide; SO2; Sulphur dioxide; Fermenicide liquid; Schwefeldioxyd; Siarki dwutlenek; Sulfur oxide; UN 1079; Oxosulfane oxide

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In case of emergency : 1-866-734-3438

### Section 2. Hazards identification

Physical state : Gas. [COLORLESS LIQUEFIED COMPRESSED GAS WITH A SHARP IRRITATING

ODOR. [NOTE: A LIQUID BELOW 14 F. SHIPPED AS A LIQUEFIED COMPRESSED

GAS.]

**Emergency overview** : DANGER!

CAUSES SEVERE RESPIRATORY TRACT, EYE AND SKIN BURNS. MAY CAUSE TARGET ORGAN DAMAGE, BASED ON ANIMAL DATA.

CONTENTS UNDER PRESSURE.

Do not puncture or incinerate container. Do not breathe gas. Do not get on skin or clothing. Use only with adequate ventilation. Keep container closed. Wash thoroughly

after handling.

Contact with rapidly expanding gases can cause frostbite.

**Target organs**: May cause damage to the following organs: lungs, upper respiratory tract, skin, eyes.

Routes of entry : Inhalation Dermal Eyes

Potential acute health effects

Eyes : Severely corrosive to the eyes. Causes severe burns. Contact with rapidly expanding

gas may cause burns or frostbite.

**Skin**: Severely corrosive to the skin. Causes severe burns. Contact with rapidly expanding

gas may cause burns or frostbite.

**Inhalation** : Severely corrosive to the respiratory system.

**Ingestion**: Ingestion is not a normal route of exposure for gases

Potential chronic health effects

Target organs: Iungs, upper respiratory tract, skin, eyes.

Medical conditions aggravated by overexposure : Pre-existing disorders involving any target organs mentioned in this MSDS as being at

risk may be aggravated by over-exposure to this product.

See toxicological information (Section 11)

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### Section 3. Composition, Information on Ingredients

Name CAS number % Volume Exposure limits

Sulfur Dioxide 7446-09-5 100 **ACGIH TLV (United States, 1/2009).** STEL: 0.25 ppm 15 minute(s).

OSHA PEL 1989 (United States, 3/1989).

TWA: 2 ppm 8 hour(s). TWA: 5 mg/m³ 8 hour(s). STEL: 5 ppm 15 minute(s).

STEL: 10 mg/m³ 15 minute(s). NIOSH REL (United States, 6/2009).

TWA: 2 ppm 10 hour(s). TWA: 5 mg/m³ 10 hour(s). STEL: 5 ppm 15 minute(s). STEL: 13 mg/m³ 15 minute(s). OSHA PEL (United States, 11/2006).

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### Section 4. First aid measures

No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. If it is suspected that fumes are still present, the rescuer should wear an appropriate mask or self-contained breathing apparatus. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

**Eye contact**: Check for and remove any contact lenses. Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical

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attention immediately.

Skin contact : In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes

while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Clean

shoes thoroughly before reuse. Get medical attention immediately.

Frostbite : Try to warm up the frozen tissues and seek medical attention.

Inhalation : Move exposed person to fresh air. If not breathing, if breathing is irregular or if respiratory arrest occurs provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel.

respiratory arrest occurs, provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention

immediately.

**Ingestion**: As this product is a gas, refer to the inhalation section.

## Section 5. Fire-fighting measures

Flammability of the product : Non-flammable.

**Products of combustion**: Decomposition products may include the following materials:

sulfur oxides

Fire-fighting media and : Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire. instructions

Apply water from a safe distance to cool container and protect surrounding area. If

involved in fire, shut off flow immediately if it can be done without risk.

Contains gas under pressure. In a fire or if heated, a pressure increase will occur and

the container may burst or explode.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

: Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.

### Section 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions: Immediately contact emergency personnel. Keep unnecessary personnel away. Use suitable protective equipment (section 8). Shut off gas supply if this can be done safely. Isolate area until gas has dispersed.

**Environmental precautions** : Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

Methods for cleaning up: Immediately contact emergency personnel. Stop leak if without risk. Note: see section 1 for emergency contact information and section 13 for waste disposal.

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### Section 7. Handling and storage

#### Handling

: Use only with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after handling. High pressure gas. Do not puncture or incinerate container. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure. Close valve after each use and when empty. Keep container closed. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. Use a suitable hand truck for cylinder movement.

#### **Storage**

Cylinders should be stored upright, with valve protection cap in place, and firmly secured to prevent falling or being knocked over. Cylinder temperatures should not exceed 52 °C (125 °F).

### Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

#### **Engineering controls**

: Use only with adequate ventilation. Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure to airborne contaminants below any recommended or statutory limits.

#### Personal protection

**Eyes** 

: Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists or dusts.

Skin

Personal protective equipment for the body 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. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

The applicable standards are (US) 29 CFR 1910.134 and (Canada) Z94.4-93

Hands

Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary.

# Personal protection in case

of a large spill

: Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Full chemical-resistant suit and self-contained breathing apparatus should be worn only by trained and authorized persons.

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sulphur dioxide

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Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

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### Section 9. Physical and chemical properties

Molecular weight : 64.06 g/mole

Molecular formula : O2-S

Boiling/condensation point : -10°C (14°F)

Melting/freezing point : -75.6°C (-104.1°F)

Critical temperature : 156.9°C (314.4°F)

Vapor pressure : 34 (psig)
Vapor density : 2.2 (Air = 1)
Specific Volume (ft ³/lb) : 5.9172
Gas Density (lb/ft ³) : 0.169

### Section 10. Stability and reactivity

Stability and reactivity

: The product is stable.

Incompatibility with various substances

Extremely reactive or incompatible with the following materials: alkalis and moisture.

Reactive or incompatible with the following materials: metals.

Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should

not be produced.

**Hazardous polymerization**: Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous polymerization will not occur.

### Section 11. Toxicological information

Toxicity data Product/ingredient name	Result	Species	Dose	Exposure
sulphur dioxide	LC50 Inhalation Gas.	Mouse	3000 ppm	0.5 hours
	LC50 Inhalation Gas.	Rat	2520 ppm	1 hours
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**IDLH** : 100 ppm

Chronic effects on humans : CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: A4 (Not classifiable for humans or animals.) by ACGIH,

3 (Not classifiable for humans.) by IARC.

May cause damage to the following organs: lungs, upper respiratory tract, skin, eyes.

Other toxic effects on

humans

: Hazardous by the following route of exposure: of skin contact (corrosive), of eye contact

(corrosive), of inhalation (lung corrosive).

Specific effects

Carcinogenic effects
 Mo known significant effects or critical hazards.
 Mutagenic effects
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.
 Reproduction toxicity
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.

### Section 12. Ecological information

#### **Aquatic ecotoxicity**

Not available.

Products of degradation :

**Environmental fate** : Not available.

**Environmental hazards**: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Toxicity to the environment**: Not available.

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# Section 13. Disposal considerations

Product removed from the cylinder must be disposed of in accordance with appropriate Federal, State, local regulation.Return cylinders with residual product to Airgas, Inc.Do not dispose of locally.

# Section 14. Transport information

Regulatory information	UN number	Proper shipping name	Class	Packing group	Label	Additional information
DOT Classification	UN1079	SULFUR DIOXIDE	2.3	Not applicable (gas).	PRIAZITORI 2. 2. 3. 3. 4. 4. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5. 5.	Limited quantity Yes.  Packaging instruction Passenger aircraft Quantity limitation: Forbidden.  Cargo aircraft Quantity limitation: Forbidden.  Special provisions 3, B14, T50, TP19
TDG Classification	UN1079	SULFUR DIOXIDE; OR SULPHUR DIOXIDE	2.3	Not applicable (gas).		Explosive Limit and Limited Quantity Index 0  ERAP Index 500  Passenger Carrying Ship Index Forbidden  Passenger Carrying Road or Rail Index Forbidden
Mexico Classification	UN1079	SULFUR DIOXIDE	2.3	Not applicable (gas).	NIMA ATON NIMA ATON 2 2 COSEGN NE	-

<sup>&</sup>quot;Refer to CFR 49 (or authority having jurisdiction) to determine the information required for shipment of the product."

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### Section 15. Regulatory information

#### **United States**

U.S. Federal regulations

: United States inventory (TSCA 8b): This material is listed or exempted.

SARA 302/304/311/312 extremely hazardous substances: sulphur dioxide SARA 302/304 emergency planning and notification: sulphur dioxide

SARA 302/304/311/312 hazardous chemicals: sulphur dioxide

**SARA 311/312 MSDS distribution - chemical inventory - hazard identification**: sulphur dioxide: Sudden release of pressure, Immediate (acute) health hazard, Delayed (chronic) health hazard

Clean Water Act (CWA) 307: No products were found. Clean Water Act (CWA) 311: No products were found.

Clean Air Act (CAA) 112 regulated flammable substances: No products were found.

Clean Air Act (CAA) 112 regulated toxic substances: sulphur dioxide

State regulations : Connecticut Carcinogen Reporting: This material is not listed.

**Connecticut Hazardous Material Survey:** This material is not listed.

Florida substances: This material is not listed.

Illinois Chemical Safety Act: This material is not listed.

Illinois Toxic Substances Disclosure to Employee Act: This material is not listed.

Louisiana Reporting: This material is not listed.
Louisiana Spill: This material is not listed.
Massachusetts Spill: This material is not listed.
Massachusetts Substances: This material is listed.
Michigan Critical Material: This material is not listed.

Minnesota Hazardous Substances: This material is not listed. New Jersey Hazardous Substances: This material is listed.

New Jersey Spill: This material is not listed.

New Jersey Toxic Catastrophe Prevention Act: This material is listed.

New York Acutely Hazardous Substances: This material is listed.

New York Toxic Chemical Release Reporting: This material is not listed.

Pennsylvania RTK Hazardous Substances: This material is listed.

Rhode Island Hazardous Substances: This material is not listed.

<u>Canada</u>

WHMIS (Canada)
: Class A: Compressed gas.

Class D-1A: Material causing immediate and serious toxic effects (Very toxic).

Class E: Corrosive material

CEPA Toxic substances: This material is listed.
Canadian ARET: This material is not listed.
Canadian NPRI: This material is listed.

Alberta Designated Substances: This material is not listed.
Ontario Designated Substances: This material is not listed.
Quebec Designated Substances: This material is not listed.

### Section 16. Other information

**United States** 

Label requirements : CAUSES SEVERE RESPIRATORY TRACT, EYE AND SKIN BURNS.

MAY CAUSE TARGET ORGAN DAMAGE, BASED ON ANIMAL DATA.

CONTENTS UNDER PRESSURE.

Canada

Label requirements : Class A: Compressed gas.

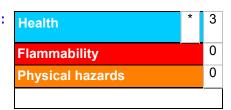
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#### Sulfur Dioxide

Hazardous Material Information System (U.S.A.)



National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.)



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Final determination of suitability of any material is the sole responsibility of the user. All materials may present unknown hazards and should be used with caution. Although certain hazards are described herein, we cannot guarantee that these are the only hazards that exist.

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