

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 008

## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

1.1 Product identifier

Product name R407C

Synonym(s) 008 - SDS NUMBER • GENETRON 407C • PRODUCT CODE: 244

1.2 Uses and uses advised against

Use(s) REFRIGERANT

1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

Supplier name BOC LIMITED (AUSTRALIA)

Address 10 Julius Avenue, North Ryde, NSW, 2113, AUSTRALIA

**Telephone** 131 262, (02) 8874 4400

Fax 132 427 (24 hours)
Website http://www.boc.com.au

1.4 Emergency telephone number(s)

**Emergency** 1800 653 572 (24/7) (Australia only)

# 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: Liquefied 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.

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 (v/v)
1,1,1,2-TETRAFLUOROETHANE (HFC 134A)	811-97-2	212-377-0	52%
PENTAFLUOROETHANE (HFC-125)	354-33-6	206-557-8	25%
DIFLUOROMETHANE (HFC-32)	75-10-5	200-839-4	23%

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

## 4.1 Description of first aid measures

Eye Cold burns: Immediately flush with tepid water or with sterile saline solution. Hold eyelids apart and irrigate

for 15 minutes. Seek medical attention.

Inhalation If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. To protect rescuer, use an Air-line respirator or Self Contained

Breathing Apparatus (SCBA). Be aware of possible explosive atmospheres. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. Give oxygen if available. For advice, contact a Poison Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia

Wide) or a doctor. Keep patient warm and rested.

**Skin** Cold burns: Remove contaminated clothing and gently flush affected areas with warm water (30°C) for 15

minutes. Apply sterile dressing and treat as for a thermal burn. For large burns, immerse in warm water for

15 minutes. DO NOT apply any form of direct heat. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Ingestion** Due to product form and application, ingestion is considered unlikely.

First aid facilities No information provided.

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

In high concentrations may cause asphyxiation. Direct contact with the liquefied material or escaping compressed gas may cause frostbite injury.

### 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. May evolve toxic gases (e.g. fluorides, carbon oxides, hydrogen fluoride) when heated to decomposition.

## 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Temperatures in a fire may cause cylinders to rupture. Cool cylinders exposed to fire by applying water from a protected location. Do not approach cylinders suspected of being hot.

# 5.4 Hazchem code

2TE

2 Fine Water Spray.

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

E Evacuation of people in and around the immediate vicinity of the incident should be considered.

### 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.



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#### 6.4 Reference to other sections

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation.

# 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	
		ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³
1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane	SWA (AUS)	1000	4240		
PENTAFLUOROETHANE (HFC-125)	SWA (AUS)	Asphyxiant			

### **Biological limits**

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

#### 8.2 Exposure controls

**Engineering controls** Use with adequate ventilation. In poorly ventilated areas, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended.

Maintain vapour levels below the recommended exposure standard.

PPE

Eye / Face Wear safety glasses.

Hands Wear nitrile gloves.

Body Wear safety boots.

**Respiratory** Where an inhalation risk exists, wear an Air-line respirator.







### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance COLOURLESS LIQUEFIED GAS
Odour SLIGHT SWEET/ETHEREAL ODOUR

Flammability NON FLAMMABLE Flash point NOT APPLICABLE

Boiling point -43°C

Melting pointNOT AVAILABLEEvaporation rateNOT APPLICABLEpHNOT APPLICABLE

**Vapour density** 3.6 (Air = 1)

Specific gravity 1.17 @ 20°C (Liquid)

Solubility (water)0.0015 g/gVapour pressure1190 kPa @ 21°CUpper explosion limitNOT APPLICABLE



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9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Lower explosion limit NOT APPLICABLE Partition coefficient NOT AVAILABLE **Autoignition temperature** NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE Decomposition temperature **NOT AVAILABLE Viscosity NOT AVAILABLE Explosive properties** Oxidising properties **NOT AVAILABLE** NOT AVAILABLE **Odour threshold** 

9.2 Other information

% Volatiles 100 %

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

#### 10.1 Reactivity

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

#### 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

No information provided.

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

g: fluorides, carbon oxides, hydrogen fluoride) when heated to decomposition.

# 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.

Information available for the ingredient(s):

Ingredient	Oral Toxicity (LD50)	Dermal Toxicity (LD50)	Inhalation Toxicity (LC50)
1,1,1,2-TETRAFLUOROETHANE (HFC 134A)			1500 g/m <sup>3</sup> /4 hour (rat)
PENTAFLUOROETHANE (HFC-125)			2735 g/m³/2 hours
DIFLUOROMETHANE (HFC-32)			1810 g/m³ (mouse)

Skin Not classified as a skin irritant. Contact with the liquefied material or escaping compressed gas may cause

frostbite injury.

Eye Not classified as an eye irritant. Contact with the liquefied material or escaping compressed gas may cause

frostbite injury.

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

 Mutagenicity
 Not classified as a mutagen.

 Carcinogenicity
 Not 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,

drowsiness, weakness, fatigue, breathing difficulties and unconsciousness.

STOT - repeated

exposure

exposure

Not classified as causing organ damage from repeated exposure.

**Aspiration** Not classified as causing aspiration.



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# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

Not hazardous to aquatic environment. Very low toxicity for aquatic organisms.

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No information provided.

#### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

The product does not bioaccumulate.

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No information provided.

#### 12.5 Other adverse effects

Global warming has been predicted as a potential consequence of the emission of this product. Product is not ozone deleting. Product is persistent in the atmosphere.

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

Waste disposal Recover and recycle using appropriate techniques and equipment. Return all recovered material to the

supplier for recycle or disposal.

**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	3340	3340	3340
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	REFRIGERANT GAS R407C	REFRIGERANT GAS R407C	REFRIGERANT GAS R407C
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

Hazchem code 2TE EMS F-C, S-V

Commonwealth, State and Territory Dangerous Goods Legislation which contain requirements which

affect gas storage and transport.

## 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).



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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.

Risk phrases None allocated.

Safety phrases None allocated.

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: Transferred as a liquid into and out of refrigeration equipment by controlled pressure decanting through flexible pipework.

ASPHYXIANTS (2): There is a significant hazard associated with workers entering poorly ventilated areas (e.g. tanks) where oxygen may be deficient. An air supplied breathing apparatus may be required if adequate ventilation is not ensured.

## 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 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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