

**SUVA<sup>®</sup> 123 Refrigerant**

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**1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING****Product information**

Trade name : SUVA<sup>®</sup> 123 Refrigerant  
Types : ASHRAE Refrigerant number designation: R-123  
Use of the : refrigerant  
Substance/Preparation :  
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**2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS****Components**

Chemical Name	CAS-No.	Concentration
2,2-Dichloro-1,1,1-trifluoroethane (R123)	306-83-2	100 %

**3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****Hazardous classification**

Not classified as dangerous goods according to the ADG Code.  
Classified as hazardous according to criteria of NOHSC.

**Risks**

Dangerous for the ozone layer.  
May cause harm to breastfed babies.  
Possible risk of irreversible effects.  
Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation.

**Safety data**

Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information on recovery/recycling.

**Specific hazards**

Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing.  
Prolonged skin contact may defat the skin and produce dermatitis.

**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

General advice : Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Victim to lie down in the recovery position, cover and keep him warm. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration.

Inhalation : Move to fresh air. Keep patient warm and at rest. Artificial respiration and/or oxygen may be necessary.

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- Skin contact : Wash off with warm water. Take off all contaminated clothing immediately.
- Eye contact : Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water, also under the eyelids. Consult a physician.
- Ingestion : Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water. Consult a physician.

**Notes to physician**

- Treatment : Do not give adrenaline or similar drugs.

**5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

- Specific hazards during fire fighting : Fire or intense heat may cause violent rupture of packages.
- Special protective equipment for fire-fighters : In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Use personal protective equipment.
- Further information : Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment. Cool containers / tanks with water spray. Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations.

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

- Personal precautions : Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ventilate the area. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.
- Environmental precautions : Prevent further leakage or spillage. Prevent spreading over a wide area (e.g. by containment or oil barriers). Should not be released into the environment.
- Methods for cleaning up : Contain and collect spillage with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and place in container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13).

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****Handling**

- Advice on safe handling : Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work rooms. For personal protection see section 8. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.
- Advice on protection against fire and explosion : Avoid any dust buildup with fluorocarbons and metal mixtures.

**Storage**

- Requirements for storage areas and containers : Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Store in original container.
- Advice on common storage : No materials to be especially mentioned.

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Other data : No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

We are not aware of any national exposure limit.

**Engineering measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

**Personal protective equipment**

Respiratory protection : For rescue and maintenance work in storage tanks use self-contained breathing apparatus. Vapours are heavier than air and can cause suffocation by reducing oxygen available for breathing.

Hand protection : Material: Hydrofluoric acid-resistant and solvent-resistant gloves (gloves made of VITON\*).  
Glove thickness: 0.7 mm  
Wearing time: 2 h

Eye protection : safety glasses

Skin and body protection : protective suit

Hygiene measures : Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Do not breathe vapours or spray mist. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Form : liquid

Colour : colourless

Odour : slight , ether-like

pH : neutral

Melting point/range : -107.0 °C at 1,013 hPa

Boiling point/range : 27.6 °C at 1,013 hPa

Flash point : does not flash

Ignition temperature : 730 °C

Explosive properties : Not explosive

Vapour pressure : 971 hPa at 25 °C

Density : 1.46 g/cm<sup>3</sup> at 25 °C, (as liquid)


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Density	:	1.475 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 15 °C, (as liquid)
Density	:	0.0058 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 27.9 °C (1,013 hPa)
Water solubility	:	3.9 g/l at 25 °C
Viscosity, dynamic	:	0.449 mPa/s at 25 °C
Relative vapour density	:	5.3

**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Conditions to avoid	:	The product is not flammable in air under ambient conditions of temperature and pressure. When pressurised with air or oxygen the mixture may become flammable. Certain mixtures of HCFCs or HFCs with chlorine may become flammable or reactive under certain conditions.
Materials to avoid	:	alkali metals, alkaline earth metals, powdered metals, powdered metal salts
Hazardous decomposition products	:	fluorinated hydrocarbons, hydrogen fluoride, carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Carbon monoxide, Hydrogen chloride gas, halogenated compounds
Hazardous reactions	:	No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute oral toxicity		
• 2,2-Dichloro-1,1,1-trifluoroethane (R123)	:	ALD/rat : 9,000 mg/kg
Acute inhalation toxicity		
• 2,2-Dichloro-1,1,1-trifluoroethane (R123)	:	LC50/4 h/rat : 46.7 mg/l
Acute dermal toxicity		
• 2,2-Dichloro-1,1,1-trifluoroethane (R123)	:	LD50/rabbit : > 2,000 mg/kg
Skin irritation	:	According to the classification criteria of the European Union, the product is not considered as being a skin irritant. Repeated or prolonged contact with the preparation may cause removal of natural fat from the skin resulting in desiccation of the skin.
Eye irritation	:	Mild eye irritation
Sensitization	:	Animal test did not cause sensitization by skin contact.
Human experience	:	Excessive exposures may affect human health, as follows: Inhalation:severe shortness of breath, narcosis, Irregular cardiac activity
Further information	:	Rapid evaporation of the liquid may cause frostbite.


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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Ozone depletion potential : 0.02 - 0.06

Global warming potential : 120  
(CO<sub>2</sub> = 1)
**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Product : Can be used after re-conditioning. If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations. The product should not be allowed to enter drains, water courses or the soil.

Contaminated packaging : If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations.

**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Further Information : Not classified as dangerous goods according to the ADG Code.

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**
**Labelling**
Symbol(s) : N Dangerous for the environment  
Xn HarmfulR-phrases : R59 Dangerous for the ozone layer.  
R64 May cause harm to breastfed babies.  
R68 Possible risk of irreversible effects.  
R48/20 Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation.

S-phrases : S59 Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information on recovery/recycling.

**National regulatory information:**

SUSDP : No poison schedule number allocated

**16. OTHER INFORMATION**
**Sources of key data used to compile the datasheet:**

1. National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Material Safety Data Sheets 2nd Edition [NOHSC:2011(2003)]
2. Approved Criteria for Classifying Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:1008(1999)]

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3. List of Designated Hazardous Substances [NOHSC:10005(1999)]
4. Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003(1995)]
5. Australian Dangerous Goods Code, No. 6 [National Road Transport Commission]
6. Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons (SUSDP), No. 18 [NDPSC:May 2003]
7. National Code of Practice for the Labelling of Workplace Substances [NOHSC:2012(1994)]

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**Further information:**

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