





# **Safety Data Sheet**

# 1 - Identification

	Manufacturer: WD-40 Company	
Product Name: WD-40 Specialist <sup>®</sup> Electrical	Address: 1061 Cudahy Place (92110)	
Contact Cleaner	P.O. Box 80607	
	San Diego, California, USA	
Product Use: Contact Cleaner. Electrical Cleaner	92138 -0607	
for the removal of heavy soils such as grease and	Telephone:	
grime from electrical equipment.	Emergency only: 1-888-324-7596 (PROSAR)	
	Information: 1-888-324-7596	
Restrictions on Use: None identified	Chemical Spills: 1-800-424-9300 (Chemtrec)	
	1-703-527-3887 (International Calls)	
SDS Date Of Preparation: 12/17/15		

# 2 – Hazards Identification

Hazcom 2012/GHS Classification: Flammable Aerosol Category 1 Gas Under Pressure: Liquefied Gas Aspiration Toxicity Category 1 Skin Irritation Category 2 Eye Irritant Category 2A Reproductive Toxicity Category 2 Specific Target Organ Toxicity Single Exposure Category 3 (nervous system effects) Specific Target Organ Toxicity Repeat Exposure Category 2

Note: This product is a consumer product and is labeled in accordance with the US Consumer Product Safety Commission regulations which take precedence over OSHA Hazard Communication labeling. The actual container label will not include the label elements below. The labeling below applies to industrial/professional products.

Label Elements:



# DANGER!

Extremely Flammable Aerosol. Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated. May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways. Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness. Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child. May cause damage to nervous system through prolonged or repeated exposure. **Prevention** Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Keep away from heat, sparks, open flames, hot surfaces. – No smoking. Do not spray on an open flame or other ignition source. Pressurized container: Do not pierce or burn, even after use. Do not breathe vapors or mists. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

## Response

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Do NOT induce vomiting.

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice.

#### Storage

Store locked up.

Protect from sunlight. Do not expose to temperatures exceeding 50°C/122°F. Store in a well-ventilated place. **Disposal** 

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local and national regulations.

## 3 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredient	CAS #	Weight Percent	US Hazcom 2012/ GHS Classification
n-Hexane	110-54-3	20-30%	Flammable Liquid Category 2 Aspiration Toxicity Category 1 Skin Irritation Category 2 Reproductive Toxicity Category 2 Specific Target Organ Toxicity Single Exposure Category 3 (nervous system effects) Specific Target Organ Toxicity Repeat Exposure Category 2
Isopropyl Alcohol (Isopropanol)	67-63-0	10-20%	Flammable Liquid Category 2 Eye Irritant Category 2A Specific Target Organ Toxicity Single Exposure Category 3 (nervous system effects)
1,1 Difluoroethane	75-37-6	40-60%	Flammable Gas Category 1 Gas Under Pressure, Liquefied Gas

Note: The exact percentages are a trade secret.

#### 4 – First Aid Measures

**Ingestion (Swallowed):** Aspiration Hazard. DO NOT induce vomiting. Call physician, poison control center or the WD-40 Safety Hotline at 1-888-324-7596 immediately.

**Eye Contact:** Flush thoroughly with water. Remove contact lenses if present after the first 5 minutes and continue flushing for 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

Skin Contact: Wash with soap and water. If irritation develops and persists, get medical attention.

**Inhalation (Breathing):** If irritation is experienced, move to fresh air. Get medical attention if irritation or other symptoms develop and persist.

**Signs and Symptoms of Exposure:** May cause eye and skin irritation. Inhalation may cause drowsiness, dizziness and other nervous system effects. Harmful or fatal if swallowed. Aspiration of liquid into the lungs during swallowing or vomiting may cause lung damage. N-Hexane exposure can cause peripheral neuropathies. Initial symptoms include numbness in the extremities. Motor weakness may also occur. **Indication of Immediate Medical Attention/Special Treatment Needed:** Immediate medical attention is needed for ingestion.

## 5 – Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable (and unsuitable) Extinguishing Media: Use water fog, dry chemical, carbon dioxide or foam. Do not use water jet or flooding amounts of water. Burning product will float on the surface and spread fire. Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical: Extremely flammable aerosol. Highly flammable liquid and vapor. Contents under pressure. Keep away from ignition source and open fire. Exposure of containers to extreme heat and flames can cause them to rupture often with violent force. Vapors can cause a flash fire. Vapors are heavier than air and may travel along surfaces to remote ignition sources and flash back. A vapor and air mixture can create an explosion hazard in confined spaces. Combustion product include oxides of carbon and hydrogen fluoride.

**Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-Fighters:** Firefighters should always wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing. Cool fire-exposed containers with water. Use shielding to protect against bursting containers.

## 6 – Accidental Release Measures

**Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures:** Wear appropriate protective clothing (see Section 8). Eliminate all sources of ignition and ventilate area.

**Methods and Materials for Containment/Cleanup:** Leaking cans should be placed in a plastic bag or open pail until the pressure has dissipated. Contain and collect liquid with an inert absorbent and place in a container for disposal. Clean spill area thoroughly. Report spills to authorities as required.

#### 7 – Handling and Storage

**Precautions for Safe Handling:** Avoid contact with eyes. Avoid prolonged contact with skin. Avoid breathing vapors or aerosols. Use only with adequate ventilation. Keep away from heat, sparks, pilot lights, hot surfaces and open flames. Unplug electrical tools, motors and appliances before spraying or bringing the can near any source of electricity. Electricity can burn a hole in the can and cause contents to burst into flames. To avoid serious burn injury, do not let the can touch battery terminals, electrical connections on motors or appliances or any other source of electricity. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling. Keep containers closed when not in use. Keep out of the reach of children. Do not puncture, crush or incinerate containers, even when empty.

**Conditions for Safe Storage:** Store in a cool, well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials Do not store above 120°F or in direct sunlight. U.F.C (NFPA 30B) Level 1 Aerosol. Store away from oxidizers.

Chemical	Occupational Exposure Limits		
n-Hexane	50 ppm TWA ACGIH TLV skin		
	500 ppm TWA OSHA PEL		
Isopropyl Alcohol (Isopropanol)	200 ppm TWA, 400 ppm STEL ACGIH TLV		
	400 ppm TWA OSHA PEL		
1,1 Difluoroethane	1000 ppm TWA AIHA WEEL		

#### 8 – Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

The Following Controls are Recommended for Normal Consumer Use of this Product Appropriate Engineering Controls: Use in a well-ventilated area.

#### Personal Protection:

Eye Protection: Avoid eye contact. Always spray away from your face.

**Skin Protection:** Avoid prolonged skin contact. Chemical resistant gloves recommended for operations where skin contact is likely.

Respiratory Protection: None needed for normal use with adequate ventilation.

#### For Bulk Processing or Workplace Use the Following Controls are Recommended

**Appropriate Engineering Controls:** Use adequate general and local exhaust ventilation to maintain exposure levels below that occupational exposure limits. **Personal Protection:** 

**Eye Protection:** Safety goggles recommended where eye contact is possible.

Skin Protection: Wear chemical resistant gloves.

**Respiratory Protection:** None required if ventilation is adequate. If the occupational exposure limits are exceeded, wear a NIOSH approved respirator. Respirator selection and use should be based on contaminant type, form and concentration. Follow OSHA 1910.134, ANSI Z88.2 and good Industrial Hygiene practice. **Work/Hygiene Practices:** Wash with soap and water after handling.

Appearance:	Clear liquid	Flammable Limits:	LEL: 1.1%
		(Solvent Portion)	UEL: 17.1%
Odor:	hydrocarbon odor	Vapor Pressure:	153 mmHg @ 25°C (n-
			Hexane)
Odor Threshold:	Not established	Vapor Density:	Greater than 2 (air=1)
pH:	Not Applicable	Relative Density:	0.71
Melting/Freezing Point:	Not established	Solubilities:	Partially soluble in water
Boiling Point/Range:	152-180°F (66.7-82.2°C)	Partition Coefficient; n-	Not established
		octanol/water:	
Flash Point:	<-29.2°F (<-34°C) Tag	Autoignition	Not established
	Closed Cup	Temperature:	
Evaporation Rate:	Not established	Decomposition	Not established
		Temperature:	
Flammability (solid, gas):	Flammable Aerosol	Viscosity:	2.79-2.96 cSt @ 100°F
VOC:	45%	Pour Point:	Not established

## 9 – Physical and Chemical Properties

# 10 – Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity: Not reactive under normal conditions

Chemical Stability: Stable

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions: May react with strong oxidizers generating heat.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Avoid heat, sparks, flames and other sources of ignition. Do not puncture or incinerate containers.

Incompatible Materials: Strong oxidizing and reducing agents.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Thermal decomposition will generate carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, hydrogen fluoride.

# 11 – Toxicological Information

# Symptoms of Overexposure:

**Inhalation:** Mist or vapor can irritate the throat and lungs. High concentrations may cause nasal and respiratory irritation and central nervous system effects such as headache, dizziness and nausea. Intentional abuse may be harmful or fatal.

**Skin Contact:** Prolonged and/or repeated contact may produce drying and defatting with possible dermatitis. **Eye Contact:** Contact may be mildly irritating to eyes. May cause redness and tearing.

**Ingestion:** This product has low oral toxicity. Swallowing may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. The liquid contents are an aspiration hazard. If swallowed, can enter the lungs and may cause chemical pneumonitis.

**Chronic Effects:** Prolonged overexposure may cause nervous system damage. n-Hexane exposure can cause peripheral neuropathies. Initial symptoms include numbress in the extremities. Motor weakness may also occur

**Carcinogen Status:** None of the components are listed as a carcinogen or suspect carcinogen by IARC, NTP, ACGIH or OSHA.

**Reproductive Toxicity:** Prolonged exposure to n-hexane has resulted in decreased sperm count and degenerative changes in the testes of rats but not mice.

**Numerical Measures of Toxicity:** The oral toxicity of this product is estimated to be greater than 2,000 mg/kg and the dermal toxicity greater than 2,000 mg/kg based on an assessment of the ingredients. This product is not classified as toxic by established criteria. It is an aspiration hazard.

## 12 – Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: n-Hexane is classified as toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects. Persistence and Degradability: n-Hexane is not expected to readily degrade. Bioaccumulative Potential: There is a potential for bioaccumulation. Mobility in Soil: No data available Other Adverse Effects: None known

## **13 - Disposal Considerations**

If this product becomes a waste, it would be expected to meet the criteria of a RCRA ignitable hazardous waste (D001). However, it is the responsibility of the generator to determine at the time of disposal the proper classification and method of disposal. Do not puncture or incinerate containers, even empty. Dispose in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations.

## 14 – Transportation Information

DOT Surface Shipping Description: UN1950, Aerosols, 2.1 Ltd. Qty (Note: Shipping Papers are not required for Limited Quantities unless transported by air or vessel – each package must be marked with the Limited Quantity Mark) IMDG Shipping Description: UN1950, Aerosols, 2.1, LTD QTY, Marine Pollutant (Hexane) ICAO Shipping Description: UN1950, Aerosols, flammable, 2.1

NOTE: WD-40 Company does not test aerosol cans to assure that they meet the pressure and other requirements for transport by air. We do not recommend that our aerosol products be transported by air.

# 15 – Regulatory Information

# U.S. Federal Regulations:

**CERCLA 103 Reportable Quantity:** Releases of this product in excess of the reportable quantity of 16,666 pounds based on the RQ for n-hexane of 5,000 lbs present at less than 30% must be reported to the National Response Center. Many states have more stringent release reporting requirements. Report spills required under federal, state and local regulations.

#### SARA TITLE III:

Hazard Category For Section 311/312: Acute Health, Chronic Health, Fire Hazard, Sudden Release of Pressure

**Section 313 Toxic Chemicals:** This product contains the following chemicals subject to SARA Title III Section 313 Reporting requirements: n-Hexane 110-54-3 20-30%

Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances (TPQ): None

**EPA Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Status:** All of the components of this product are listed on the TSCA inventory

**VOC Regulations:** This product complies with the consumer product VOC limits of CARB, the US EPA and states adopting the OTC VOC rules.

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act (Proposition 65): This product does not contain chemicals regulated under California Proposition 65.

**Canadian Environmental Protection Act:** All of the ingredients are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List or exempt from notification

# 16 – Other Information

HMIS Hazard Rating: Health – 2 (moderate hazard), Fire Hazard – 2 (moderate hazard), Physical Hazard – 0 (minimal hazard)

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