

### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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<b>Fax:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Emergency:</b>	1800 884 289
<b>Synonyms:</b>	CONTOUR 30, CONTOUR 50, CONTOUR 70
<b>Use:</b>	Mining, quarrying and general blasting explosive
<b>SDS Date:</b>	March, 2017
<b>TDS:</b>	Nitro Sibir TDS Ref: PE03 CONTOUR 30, 50, 70

### 2. Hazards Identification

Classified as hazardous according to Safe Work Australia: HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL.

Classified as Dangerous Goods according to the criteria of the Australian Code for the Transport of Explosives by Road and Rail: DANGEROUS GOODS.

#### Classification of the Substance or Mixture:

Explosives – Division 1.1  
Eye Irritation– Category 2A

**Signal Word:** Danger



*Explosion Bomb*



*Exclamation Mark*

#### Hazard Statement(s):

H201: Explosive; mass explosion hazard.  
H319: Causes serious eye irritation.

#### Precautionary Statement(s):

#### Prevention:

P210: Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/surfaces - No Smoking.  
P250: Do not subject to grinding/shock/heat/friction/impact or electrical energy from external sources.  
P264: Wash hands thoroughly after handling.  
P280: Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye and face protection.

#### Response:

P370+380: In case of fire: evacuate area.  
P372: Explosion risk in case of fire.  
P373: DO NOT fight fire when fire reaches explosives.



P305+P351+P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P337+P313: If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

### Storage:

P401: Store in a well-ventilated magazine licensed for Class 1.1D Explosives in accordance with Australian Standard AS2187.1

### Disposal:

P501: Dispose of contents in accordance with national/regional/local regulations.

### Other Hazards:

AUH031: Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.

AUH044: Risk of explosion if heated under confinement.

**POISONS SCHEDULE (SUSMP):** None allocated.

## 3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

Ingredient	CAS	Proportion
Ammonium Nitrate	6484-52-2	>70%
Paraffin Oil	8012-95-1	>1%
Materials determined not to be hazardous	-	to 100%

## 4. First Aid Measures

**Eye:** If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water. Continue to flush until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre (phone 131126) or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes. In all cases of eye contamination, it is sensible to seek medical advice and/or attention.

**Inhalation:** Remove victim from area of exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen remaining clothing. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Keep at rest until fully recovered. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

**Ingestion:** Rinse mouth with water. If swallowed, DO NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water. Seek medical advice.

**Skin:** If contact with skin occurs, immediately remove any contaminated clothing and wash area thoroughly with soap and running water. Seek immediate medical assistance if blistering occurs or redness persists. Nitrates can be absorbed through cut, burnt or broken skin. Launder contaminated clothing before reuse. For skin burns, immediately flood burnt area with plenty of water.

**Advice to Doctor:** Treat symptomatically. Explosive material. Shrapnel from detonation may cause burns, wounds and bruises. Treat as for exposure to nitrates. May cause methemoglobinemia.



### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media:</b>	Do NOT fight fires involving explosives.
<b>Hazards from Combustion Products:</b>	Under fire conditions, this product may emit toxic and/or irritating fumes including carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide.
<b>Specific Hazards:</b>	<p>Dangerous when exposed to heat or flames. Can support combustion of other materials involved in fire and is capable of undergoing detonation if heated to high temperatures especially under confinement (including being piled on itself in a burning fire). When heated to decomposition, highly toxic fumes may be emitted.</p> <p>Do NOT fight fires involving explosives. If a fire becomes established, immediately isolate area and evacuate personnel to at least 1600m – do not return until smoke and fumes have dissipated.</p>
<b>Precautions for Fire Fighters and Special Protective Equipment:</b>	Explosive material. DO NOT FIGHT EXPLOSIVE FIRES. Try to keep fire from reaching explosives. In case of small fire where the actual explosive is not involved, carefully remove explosives to a safe distance, otherwise evacuate area immediately and allow to burn.
<b>Other Information:</b>	Explosives should not be abandoned at any location for any reason. Do not handle during electrical storms.
<b>HAZCHEM CODE:</b>	E

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

<b>Emergency Procedures:</b>	Shut off all possible ignition sources and isolate the area. Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Avoid friction and impact. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contact. In case of fire, evacuate all personnel to a safe distance and allow to burn or fight fire remotely. Only personnel trained in emergency response should respond.
<b>Environmental Precautions:</b>	If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise local emergency services or local environmental protection services.
<b>Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up:</b>	Handle with care. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contact. Prevent runoff into drains and waterways. If no fire is danger is present and product is otherwise undamaged and/or uncontaminated, collect with non-metallic implements and repackage product in original packaging or other clean approved container. Ensure that a complete account of product is made and verified.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

<b>Handling:</b>	Handle with care. Only properly qualified and authorised personnel should handle and use explosives. Unintended detonation of explosives can cause serious injury or death. Use in designated areas with adequate ventilation. DO NOT subject the material to impact, friction between hard surfaces, or to any form of heating. Avoid all contact with other chemicals.
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Keep containers closed when not in use. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment to prevent inhalation, skin and eye contact. Maintain high standards of personal hygiene.

**Storage:**

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated magazine licenced for Class 1.1D explosives. Keep storage area free of sources of shock, friction, heat, ignition and combustible materials. Keep containers closed when not in use and securely sealed and protected against physical damage. Inspect regularly for damage and spills. Have appropriate fire extinguishers available in and near the storage area. Reference should be made to AS2187.1- 1998 Explosives – Storage, transport and use – Storage, and to all state and federal regulations.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Control Parameters:** No exposure standards have been established for this material by Safe Work Australia, however, over-exposure to some chemicals may result in enhancement of pre-existing adverse medical conditions and/or allergic reactions and exposure should be kept to the lowest possible levels.

**Appropriate Engineering Controls:** Use in a well ventilated area. All personnel should be removed to a safe location and protected from air blast and fly rock during blasting operations.

**Individual Protection Measures, such as Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):** Safety glasses with side shields, goggles or full-face shield as appropriate should be used. Final choice of appropriate eye/face protection will vary according to individual circumstances. Eye protection should conform to Australian / New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 – Eye Protectors for Industrial Applications.

Wear gloves of impervious material (PVC or neoprene). Final choice of gloves will vary according to individual circumstances. Reference should be made to Australian / New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 2616.1: – Occupational protective gloves – Selection, use and maintenance.

Wear appropriate clothing such as a chemical resistant apron where large quantities are handled clothing is likely to be contaminated.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance:** Small granular spheres, oily to touch. Trace amounts of colouring agent may be added for product identification.

**Odour:** Slightly ammoniac

**Flammability:** Explosive material – avoid all ignition sources and sources of heat.

**Flash Point:** Not applicable

**Boiling Point:** Not applicable

**Melting Point:** Not applicable

**Evaporation Rate:** Not applicable

**pH:** Not applicable

**Vapour Density:** Not applicable

**Specific Gravity:** 0.30 - 0.69 g/cm



**Solubility (water):** Moderately soluble.

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

- Reactivity:** Explosive. Explosion can result due to shock, friction, fire and other sources of ignition. Detonation may occur from heavy impact or excessive heating, particularly under confinement.
- Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** Hazardous polymerisation will not occur. A major fire may involve the risk of explosion. An adjacent detonation may also involve the risk of explosion. Heating can cause expansion or decomposition of the material which can lead to containers exploding.
- Conditions to Avoid:** Avoid exposure to heat, sources of ignition, static electricity discharge, open flame, shock and friction. Avoid contact with other chemicals including strong acids, alkalis and oxidising agents.
- Incompatible Materials:** Incompatible with strong acids, alkalis, combustible materials, permanganates and strong oxidising agents. Ammonium nitrate is a powerful oxidising agent and is incompatible with tetranitromethane, dichloroisocyanuric acid, trichloroisocyanuric acid, bromates, chlorates, chlorites, hypochlorites, perchlorates, permanganates, chloroisocyanurate, nitrites and powdered metals.
- Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Thermal decomposition may result in the release of irritating and/or toxic fumes including ammonia and oxides of nitrogen and carbon. When mixed with strong acids, and occasionally during blasting, it produces an irritating toxic brown gas, mostly of nitrogen dioxide. When molten, may decompose violently due to shock or pressure.

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

- Toxicology Information:** No adverse health effects are expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:
- Inhalation:** Inhalation of product vapours may cause irritation of the nose, throat and respiratory system. Blasting may produce a toxic brown gas of nitrogen dioxide. Inhalation of the gas may result in chest discomfort, shortness of breath and possible pulmonary oedema, the onset of which may be delayed.
- Ingestion:** Not a likely source of exposure. Ingestion of product may irritate the gastric tract causing nausea and vomiting.
- Skin:** Irritating to skin. Skin contact may cause redness, itching and irritation. Repeated or prolonged contact may cause dryness and cracking and may lead to irritant contact dermatitis.
- Eye:** Exposure may cause irritation, tearing, stinging, blurred vision and redness.
- Long Term Effects:** Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause irritant contact dermatitis.
- Acute Toxicity:** No LD50 data available for this product.  
For the constituent Ammonium Nitrate: Oral LD50 (rat): 2217 mg/kg.  
For Paraffin Oil: LD50 (rat): 3782 mg/kg.

<b>Chronic Effects:</b>	No information available for this product.
<b>Other Information:</b>	In humans and animals, methaemoglobinaemia has occurred under untreated conditions following the ingestion of nitrates.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

<b>Toxicity:</b>	Harmful to aquatic organisms. May cause long term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. No data available for this product. The constituent Ammonium Nitrate was evaluated at 5, 10, 25 and 50mg (NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> )/L.  The fertility of <i>Daphnia magna</i> was decreased at 50mg/L. Post embryonic growth of crustacean was impaired at 10, 25 and 50mg/L.
<b>Persistence and Degradability:</b>	No data available for this product.
<b>Bioaccumulative Potential:</b>	No data available for this product.
<b>Mobility in Soil:</b>	No data available for this product.
<b>Other Adverse Effects:</b>	No data available for this product.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

<b>Disposal Methods:</b>	Destruction of explosives must only be carried out by suitably qualified and licensed personnel. Disposal of material may be undertaken through a licensed waste contractor. If necessary, the relevant Statutory Authorities must be notified. In all circumstances, detonation is the preferred method of disposal.  Small quantities of damaged or deteriorated explosives may be destroyed by inclusion in a blast hole containing good explosive material.  Personnel must be evacuated to a safe distance in accordance with relevant local regulations prior to initiation of the charge.  NOTE: Detonations in loose or stony ground may be expected to cause fly rock.  If assistance is required regarding the disposal of waste product, please contact a Nitro Sibir Australia representative.
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## 14. TRANSPORT CONSIDERATIONS



Classified as a Class 1 (Explosives) Dangerous Goods according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Explosives by Road and Rail, UN0241, Class 1.1D. Proper Shipping Name: EXPLOSIVE, BLASTING, TYPE E.

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for Transport by Sea, UN0241, Class 1.1D. Proper Shipping Name: EXPLOSIVE, BLASTING, TYPE E.

Transport by air is prohibited under the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for Transport by Air.



### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

<b>Classification:</b>	Classified as Hazardous according to Safe Work Australia; HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL.
<b>Hazard Category:</b>	Explosives – Division 1.1 Eye Irritation – Category 2A
<b>Poisons Schedule:</b>	A poison schedule number has not been allocated to this product using the criteria in the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons (SUSDP).
<b>Inventory Listing(s):</b>	All components are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

<b>Revision Date:</b>	March 2017
<b>Reason(s) for Issue:</b>	Changes to Safe Work Australia's requirements for Safety Data Sheets to align with the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) requirements.

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