

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

#### 1.1 Product identifier

**Product name**           **FORCH DRILLING AND CUTTING FOAM 400ML**  
**Synonyms**               6580 5815 - ARTICLE NUMBER

#### 1.2 Uses and uses advised against

**Uses**                    AEROSOL DISPENSED • CUTTING FLUID • DRILLING FLUID

#### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

**Supplier name**       **FORCH AUSTRALIA PTY LTD**  
**Address**             2 Forward St, Gnangara, WA, 6077, AUSTRALIA  
**Telephone**         (08) 9303 9113  
**Fax**                  (08) 9303 9114  
**Email**               [shop@forch.com.au](mailto:shop@forch.com.au)  
**Website**            <https://www.forch.com.au/>

#### 1.4 Emergency telephone numbers

**Emergency**           (08) 9303 9113  
**Emergency**           0413 550 330; 0424 135 792

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

##### Physical Hazards

Aerosols - Flammable: Category 1  
Aerosols - Pressurised: Category 1

##### Health Hazards

Serious Eye Damage / Eye Irritation: Category 2A

##### Environmental Hazards

Not classified as an Environmental Hazard

#### 2.2 GHS Label elements

**Signal word**           **DANGER**

##### Pictograms



##### Hazard statements

H222                   Extremely flammable aerosol.  
H229                   Pressurized container: may burst if heated.  
H319                   Causes serious eye irritation.

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### Prevention statements

P210                      Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.  
P211                      Do not spray on an open flame or other ignition source.  
P251                      Do not pierce or burn, even after use.  
P264                      Wash thoroughly after handling.  
P280                      Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

### Response statements

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 statements

P410 + P412              Protect from sunlight. Do not expose to temperatures exceeding 50°C.

### Disposal statements

None allocated.

### 2.3 Other hazards

No information provided.

## 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
INGREDIENTS NOT SPECIFIED	-	-	Remainder
DIMETHYL ETHER	115-10-6	204-065-8	15 to <20%
DIISOPROPANOLAMINE	110-97-4	203-820-9	1 to <2.5%
HEXYLENE GLYCOL	107-41-5	203-489-0	1 to <2.5%
OLAYL ETHER CARBOXYLIC ACID	57635-48-0	611-563-2	1 to <2.5%

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

**Eye**                      If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

**Inhalation**              If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. To protect rescuer, use a Type A (Organic vapour) respirator or an Air-line respirator (in poorly ventilated areas). Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

**Skin**                      If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

**Ingestion**              For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). If swallowed, do not induce vomiting. Ingestion is considered unlikely due to product form.

**First aid facilities**      Eye wash facilities and normal washroom facilities should be available.

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

See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

### 4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Dry agent, carbon dioxide or foam. Prevent contamination of drains and waterways. Do NOT use water jet.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Extremely flammable aerosol. May evolve toxic gases (carbon oxides, sulphur oxides, nitrogen oxides, hydrocarbons) when heated to decomposition. Aerosol may explode at temperatures exceeding 50°C. Eliminate all ignition sources, including cigarettes, open flames, spark producing switches/tools, heaters, pilot lights, mobile phones, etc when handling. Aerosol cans may explode above 50°C.

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Evacuate area and contact emergency services. Toxic gases may be evolved in a fire situation. Remain upwind and notify those downwind of hazard. Wear full protective equipment including Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) when combating fire. Use waterfog to cool intact containers and nearby storage areas.

**5.4 Hazchem code**

None allocated.

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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**6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS. Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Ventilate area where possible.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

**6.3 Methods of cleaning up**

Contain spillage, then cover / absorb spill with non-combustible absorbent material (vermiculite, sand, or similar), collect and place in suitable containers for disposal.

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

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**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

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**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. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Store in a cool (< 50°C), dry, well ventilated area, removed from incompatible substances, heat or ignition sources and foodstuffs. Ensure aerosol containers/ cans are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use. Check regularly for damaged/ leaking containers. Large storage areas should have appropriate fire protection systems.

**7.3 Specific end uses**

No information provided.

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**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

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**8.1 Control parameters****Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Dimethyl ether	SWA [AUS]	400	760	500	950
Hexylene glycol	SWA [AUS]	25 (Peak)	121 (Peak)	--	--

**Biological limits**

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

**8.2 Exposure controls****Engineering controls**

Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical explosion proof extraction ventilation is recommended. Flammable vapours may accumulate in poorly ventilated or confined areas. Vapours are heavier than air and may travel some distance to an ignition source and flash back.

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**PPE**

<b>Eye / Face</b>	Wear splash-proof goggles.
<b>Hands</b>	Wear nitrile or neoprene gloves.
<b>Body</b>	When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear coveralls.
<b>Respiratory</b>	At high vapour levels, wear a Type A-Class P1 (organic vapour and particulate) / Organic vapour P100 respirator.



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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	LIGHT YELLOW LIQUID (AEROSOL DISPENSED)
<b>Odour</b>	CHARACTERISTIC ODOUR
<b>Flammability</b>	EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE
<b>Flash point</b>	-24°C
<b>Boiling point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Melting point</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>pH</b>	7 to 8
<b>Vapour density</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Relative density</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	INSOLUBLE
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	3500 hPa to 5000 hPa @ 20°C
<b>Upper explosion limit</b>	18.6 %
<b>Lower explosion limit</b>	2.6 %
<b>Partition coefficient</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	235°C
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Viscosity</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Explosive properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Oxidising properties</b>	NOT AVAILABLE
<b>Odour threshold</b>	NOT AVAILABLE

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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### 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 is not expected to occur.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Incompatible with oxidising agents (e.g. hypochlorites), acids (e.g. nitric acid), alkalis (e.g. sodium hydroxide), heat and ignition sources.

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

May evolve toxic gases (carbon oxides, sulphur oxides, nitrogen oxides, hydrocarbons) when heated to decomposition.

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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## PRODUCT NAME    **FORCH DRILLING AND CUTTING FOAM 400ML**

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity**            This product may have the potential to cause adverse health effects if intentionally misused (e.g. deliberately inhaling contents).

#### **Information available for the ingredients:**

<b>Ingredient</b>	<b>Oral LD50</b>	<b>Dermal LD50</b>	<b>Inhalation LC50</b>
DIMETHYL ETHER	--	--	308 g/m <sup>3</sup> (rat)
DIISOPROPANOLAMINE	4765 mg/kg (rat)	> 1 g/kg (mammal)	--
HEXYLENE GLYCOL	3,200 mg/kg (rabbit)	7,892 mg/kg (rabbit)	> 310 mg/m <sup>3</sup> /1 hour (rat)

**Skin**                        Contact may result in drying and defatting of the skin, irritation, rash and dermatitis.

**Eye**                        Contact may result in irritation, lacrimation, pain and redness.

**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 exposure**    Over exposure may result in irritation of the nose and throat, coughing and headache. High level exposure may result in nausea, dizziness and drowsiness.

**STOT - repeated exposure**    Not classified as causing organ damage from repeated exposure.

**Aspiration**                Ingestion is considered unlikely due to product form. However, if liquid component is ingested, aspiration into the lungs may cause chemical pneumonitis and pulmonary oedema.

## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### 12.1 Toxicity

No information provided.

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No information provided.

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No information provided.

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No information provided.

### 12.5 Other adverse effects

Avoid contamination of drains and waterways.

## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

**Waste disposal**            For small amounts, absorb contents with sand or similar and dispose of to an approved landfill site. Do not puncture or incinerate aerosol cans. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required).

**Legislation**                Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

## **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE**



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	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
14.1 UN Number	1950	1950	1950
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	AEROSOLS	AEROSOLS	AEROSOLS
14.3 Transport hazard class	2.1	2.1	2.1
14.4 Packing Group	None allocated.	None allocated.	None allocated.

**14.5 Environmental hazards**

Not a Marine Pollutant.

**14.6 Special precautions for user**

Hazchem code                None allocated.

GTEPG                        2D1

EmS                            F-D, S-U

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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**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).

**Classifications**                Safe Work Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS Revision 7).

**Inventory listings**                **AUSTRALIA: AIIC (Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals)**  
Some components are listed on AIIC, or are exempt.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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**Additional information**                AEROSOL CANS may explode at temperatures approaching 50°C.

RESPIRATORS: In general the use of respirators should be limited and engineering controls employed to avoid exposure. If respiratory equipment must be worn ensure correct respirator selection and training is undertaken. Remember that some respirators may be extremely uncomfortable when used for long periods. The use of air powered or air supplied respirators should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:**

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, 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: form of product; 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.

**PRODUCT NAME    FORCH DRILLING AND CUTTING FOAM 400ML****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/m <sup>3</sup>	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

**Report status**

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