

Safety Data Sheet

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1 Identification**Product identifier****Product name:** Stearic acid**Stock number:** A17673**CAS Number:**

57-11-4

EC number:

200-313-4

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.**Identified use:** SU24 Scientific research and development**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet****Manufacturer/Supplier:**

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Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.

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Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department**Emergency telephone number:**

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department at (800) 343-0660. After normal hours call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

2 Hazard(s) identification**Classification of the substance or mixture****Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

GHS07

Skin Irrit. 2 H315 Causes skin irritation.

Eye Irrit. 2A H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

STOT SE 3 H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC

Xi; Irritant

R36/37/38: Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment: Not applicable**Hazards not otherwise classified** No information known.**Label elements****Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

The substance is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

Hazard pictograms

GHS07

Signal word Warning**Hazard statements**

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H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statements

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

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

P302+P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water/...

P321 Specific treatment (see on this label).

P405 Store locked up.

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

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WHMIS classification

D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects

**Classification system****HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)****(Hazardous Materials Identification System)**

HEALTH	1
FIRE	1
REACTIVITY	1

Health (acute effects) = 1

Flammability = 1

Physical Hazard = 1

Other hazards**Results of PBT and vPvB assessment****PBT:** Not applicable.**vPvB:** Not applicable.**3 Composition/information on ingredients****Chemical characterization: Substances****CAS# Description:**

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4 First-aid measures**Description of first aid measures****After inhalation**

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm. Seek immediate medical advice.

After skin contact

Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly. Seek immediate medical advice.

After eye contact

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

After swallowing Seek medical treatment.**Information for doctor****Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

No further relevant information available.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No further relevant information available.

5 Fire-fighting measures**Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing agents**

Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Advice for firefighters**Protective equipment:**

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

6 Accidental release measures**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Environmental precautions:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

Do not allow product to reach sewage system or any water course.

Do not allow to penetrate the ground/soil.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up: Ensure adequate ventilation.

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Prevention of secondary hazards: No special measures required.
Reference to other sections
 See Section 7 for information on safe handling
 See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
 See Section 13 for disposal information.

7 Handling and storage**Handling****Precautions for safe handling**

Keep container tightly sealed.
 Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.
 Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.

Information about protection against explosions and fires: No information known.

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

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements.
Information about storage in one common storage facility: Store away from oxidizing agents.
Further information about storage conditions:
 Keep container tightly sealed.
 Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.
Specific end use(s) No further relevant information available.

8 Exposure controls/personal protection**Additional information about design of technical systems:**

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Control parameters**Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

The product does not contain any relevant quantities of materials with critical values that have to be monitored at the workplace.

Additional information: No data

Exposure controls**Personal protective equipment****General protective and hygienic measures**

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.
 Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.
 Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.
 Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.
 Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.
 Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment: Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Protection of hands:**Impervious gloves**

Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.
 The selection of suitable gloves not only depends on the material, but also on quality.
 Quality will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.

Eye protection: Safety glasses

Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9 Physical and chemical properties**Information on basic physical and chemical properties****General Information****Appearance:**

Form:	Powder or granules
Color:	White
Odor:	Odorless
Odor threshold:	Not determined.

pH-value:	Not applicable.
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Change in condition

Melting point/Melting range:	67-70 °C (153-158 °F)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	232 °C (450 °F) (15mm Hg)
Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined

Flash point:	196 °C (385 °F)
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Flammability (solid, gaseous)	Not determined.
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Ignition temperature:	395 °C (743 °F)
Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Auto igniting:	Not determined.
Danger of explosion:	Not determined.
Explosion limits:	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
Vapor pressure at 174 °C (345 °F):	1.5 hPa (1 mm Hg)
Density at 20 °C (68 °F):	0.941 g/cm ³ (7.853 lbs/gal)
Relative density	Not determined.
Vapor density	Not applicable.
Evaporation rate	Not applicable.
Solubility in / Miscibility with	
Water:	Insoluble
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	Not determined.
Viscosity:	
dynamic:	Not applicable.
kinematic:	Not applicable.
Other information	No further relevant information available.

10 Stability and reactivity

Reactivity No information known.
Chemical stability Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:
 Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.
Possibility of hazardous reactions Reacts with strong oxidizing agents
Incompatible materials: Oxidizing agents
Hazardous decomposition products: Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

11 Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects
Acute toxicity:
 The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for components in this product.
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification: No data
Skin irritation or corrosion: Causes skin irritation.
Eye irritation or corrosion: Causes serious eye irritation.
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.
Germ cell mutagenicity: No effects known.
Carcinogenicity:
 No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.
Reproductive toxicity: No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure: No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: May cause respiratory irritation.
Aspiration hazard: No effects known.
Additional toxicological information:
 To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

12 Ecological information

Toxicity
Aquatic toxicity: No further relevant information available.
Persistence and degradability No further relevant information available.
Behavior in environmental systems:
Bioaccumulative potential No further relevant information available.
Mobility in soil No further relevant information available.
Additional ecological information:
General notes:
 Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.
 Avoid transfer into the environment.
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT: Not applicable.
vPvB: Not applicable.

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Other adverse effects No further relevant information available.

13 Disposal considerations**Waste treatment methods**

Recommendation Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

14 Transport information

UN-Number DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA	Not applicable
UN proper shipping name DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA	Not applicable
Transport hazard class(es) DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA Class	Not applicable
Packing group DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA	Not applicable
Environmental hazards:	Not applicable.
Special precautions for user	Not applicable.
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
Transport/Additional information: DOT Marine Pollutant (DOT):	No
UN "Model Regulation":	-

15 Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings) Substance is not listed.

California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male Substance is not listed.

Information about limitation of use: For use only by technically qualified individuals.

Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations

Substances of very high concern (SVHC) according to REACH, Article 57

Substance is not listed.

REACH - Pre-registered substances Substance is listed.

Chemical safety assessment: A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

16 Other information

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing SDS: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

DOT: US Department of Transportation

GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

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HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)
WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

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