

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

**Product Name** Nitric acid (67 - 70%)

**Cat No. :** A467-1, A467-2, A467-250, A467-500

**CAS No** 7697-37-2

**Synonyms** Azotic acid; Engraver's acid; Aqua fortis

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Company

Fisher Scientific Company  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

#### **Emergency Telephone Number**

Chemtrec US: (800) 424-9300  
Chemtrec EU: 001-703-527-3887

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous according to [US] OSHA (29 CFR 1910.1200, 2024)

Oxidizing liquids	Category 3
Corrosive to metals	Category 1
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors	Category 3
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1 A
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1

### Label Elements

#### **Signal Word**

Danger

#### **Hazard Statements**

May intensify fire; oxidizer

May be corrosive to metals  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
Toxic if inhaled



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking  
Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials  
Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles  
Keep only in original packaging  
Wear respiratory protection

#### Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

#### Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing  
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

#### Skin

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower  
Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse

#### Eyes

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

#### Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting

#### Fire

In case of fire: Use CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, or foam to extinguish

#### Spills

Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

#### Storage

Store locked up  
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner  
Store in a dry place

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Corrosive to the respiratory tract

#### Hazards classified under paragraph (d)(1)(ii) of 1910.1200

No information available

### 3. Composition/information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	65 - 70
Water	7732-18-5	30 - 35

## 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	Immediate medical attention is required. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Inhalation</b>	If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Remove from exposure, lie down. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Clean mouth with water. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	Causes burns by all exposure routes. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	CO <sub>2</sub> , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	Oxidizer
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.).

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>). Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### NFPA

**Health**  
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**Flammability**  
0

**Instability**  
0

**Physical hazards**  
OX

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.
<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit.

## 7. Handling and Storage

<b>Handling</b>	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.
<b>Storage.</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Do not store near combustible materials. Do not store in metal containers. Keep in properly labeled containers. Corrosives area. Incompatible Materials. Combustible material. Strong bases. Reducing Agent. Metals. Finely powdered metals. Organic materials. Aldehydes. Alcohols. Cyanides. Ammonia. Strong reducing agents.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	TWA: 2 ppm STEL: 4 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 2 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Vacated) STEL: 4 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 2 ppm TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 25 ppm REL = 2 ppm (TWA) REL = 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA) STEL: 4 ppm STEL: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 2 ppm STEL: 4 ppm

### Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

<b>Engineering Measures</b>	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.
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### Personal Protective Equipment

<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166. Tight sealing safety goggles. Face protection shield.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.
<b>Recommended Filter type:</b>	Particulates filter conforming to EN 143. or. Acid gases filter. Type E. Yellow. conforming to EN14387.

**Hygiene Measures**

Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Provide regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

**Appearance****Physical State****Color****Odor****Odor Threshold****Property****Melting Point/Range****Softening Point****Boiling Point/Range****Flash Point****Flammability (liquid)****Flammability (solid,gas)****Explosion Limits**

Liquid

Clear Colorless, Light yellow

Strong Acid

No information available

**Values**

-41 °C / -41.8 °F

No data available

Not applicable

No data available

Not applicable

Not applicable

No data available

**Remarks****• Method****Method -** No information available

Liquid

**Autoignition Temperature****Decomposition Temperature****pH****Viscosity****Water Solubility****Solubility in other solvents****Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)****Component**

Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]

**Vapor Pressure****Density / Specific Gravity****Bulk Density****Vapor Density****Particle characteristics**

No data available

No data available

&lt; 1.0

No data available

Miscible

No information available

**log Pow**

-2.3

0.94 kPa (20°C)

1.40

Not applicable

No data available

Not applicable (liquid)

(0.1M)

Liquid  
(Air = 1.0)**Other Information****Molecular Formula****Molecular Weight****Oxidizing Properties**HNO<sub>3</sub>

63.01

Oxidizer

## 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactive Hazard**

Yes

**Stability**

Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire.

**Conditions to Avoid**

Incompatible products. Combustible material. Excess heat. Exposure to air or moisture over prolonged periods.

**Incompatible Materials**

Combustible material, Strong bases, Reducing Agent, Metals, Finely powdered metals, Organic materials, Aldehydes, Alcohols, Cyanides, Ammonia, Strong reducing agents

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on expected route of exposure

**Inhalation** Causes severe burns. May be harmful if inhaled. May cause pulmonary edema. Harmful by inhalation.

**Ingestion** Ingestion causes burns of the upper digestive and respiratory tracts. May be harmful if swallowed. Can burn mouth, throat, and stomach. Harmful if swallowed.

**Eyes** Causes severe burns. May cause blindness or permanent eye damage. Causes burns. Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness. Risk of serious damage to eyes.

**Skin** Causes severe burns. May be harmful in contact with skin. Causes burns.

### Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	-	-	LC50 = 2500 ppm. (Rat) 1h
Water	-	-	-

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** Category 1 A

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Category 1

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**

**Respiratory**  
**Skin**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
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**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(f) carcinogenicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Water	7732-18-5	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Target Organs**

None known.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated.

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains. Large amounts will affect pH and harm aquatic organisms.

**Persistence and Degradability** Miscible with water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	-2.3

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN-No UN2031  
 Proper Shipping Name NITRIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 5.1  
 Packing Group II

### TDG

UN-No UN2031  
 Proper Shipping Name NITRIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 5.1  
 Packing Group II

### IATA

UN-No UN2031  
 Proper Shipping Name NITRIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 5.1  
 Packing Group II

### IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN2031  
 Proper Shipping Name NITRIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 5.1  
 Packing Group II

## 15. Regulatory Information

### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification -	TSCA - EPA Regulatory
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			Active-Inactive	Flags
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	X	ACTIVE	-
Water	7732-18-5	X	ACTIVE	-

**Legend:**

TSCA US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

- - Not Listed

**TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)**

Not applicable

**TSCA 12(b)** - Notices of Export

Not applicable

**International Inventories**

Canada (DSL/NDL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	X	-	231-714-2	X	X	X	X	X	KE-25911
Water	7732-18-5	X	-	231-791-2	X	X		X	X	KE-35400

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)**U.S. Federal Regulations****SARA 313**

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product contains a chemical or chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372.

Component	CAS No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %	SARA 313 - Reporting thresholds
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	65 - 70	1.0 %	-

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

**CWA (Clean Water Act)**

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	X	1000 lb	-	-

**Clean Air Act**

Not applicable

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Component	Specifically Regulated Chemicals	Highly Hazardous Chemicals
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	-	TQ: 500 lb

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355).

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA Extremely Hazardous Substances RQs	SARA Reportable Quantity (RQ)
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Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	1000 lb	1000 lb	1000 lb 454 kg
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**California Proposition 65**

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	X	X	X	X	X
Water	-	-	X	-	-

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y

DOT Marine Pollutant N

DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product contains the following DHS chemicals:

**Legend** - STQs = Screening Threshold Quantities, APA = A placarded amount

Component	DHS Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standard
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	Release STQs - 15000lb Theft STQs - 400lb

**Other International Regulations****Mexico - Grade**

No information available

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-
Water	7732-18-5	-	-	-

**REACH links**<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>**Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Water	7732-18-5	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

**Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?**

Not applicable

**Other International Regulations**

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive	Seveso III Directive	Rotterdam	Basel Convention
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		(2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	(2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Convention (PIC)	(Hazardous Waste)
Nitric acid ...% [C ≤ 70 %]	7697-37-2	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y34
Water	7732-18-5	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

16. Other Information

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