

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Dimethyl sulfoxide  
**Cat No. :** 32434  
**CAS No** 67-68-5  
**Synonyms** Dimethyl sulfoxide; DMSO  
**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

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

##### Company

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##### **Emergency Telephone Number**

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660.  
After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### **Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Flammable liquids

Category 4

#### Label Elements

##### **Signal Word**

Warning

##### **Hazard Statements**

Combustible liquid

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking

**Fire**

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

**Storage**

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

None identified

**Other hazards**

DMSO readily penetrates skin and may carry other dissolved chemicals into the body.

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Dimethyl sulfoxide	67-68-5	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician. 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. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	Difficulty in breathing. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	87 °C / 188.6 °F
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	301 °C / 573.8 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	42 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	2.6 vol %
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Combustible material. Containers may explode when heated. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Sulfur oxides. Sulfides. Formaldehyde.

### 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.

### NFPA

**Health**  
2 \*

**Flammability**  
2

**Instability**  
1

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

### Personal Precautions

Use personal protective equipment as required. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Ensure adequate ventilation.

### Environmental Precautions

Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Remove all sources of ignition. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and storage

### Handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

### Storage

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

### Engineering Measures

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

### Personal Protective Equipment

#### Eye/face Protection

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.

#### Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

#### Respiratory Protection

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.

#### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Liquid
Appearance	Colorless
Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	No information available
Melting Point/Range	18.4 °C / 65.1 °F
Boiling Point/Range	189 °C / 372.2 °F
Flash Point	87 °C / 188.6 °F
Evaporation Rate	No information available
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	42 vol %
Lower	2.6 vol %
Vapor Pressure	0.55 mbar @ 20°C
Vapor Density	2.7
Specific Gravity	1.100
Solubility	Soluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	301 °C / 573.8 °F
Decomposition Temperature	> 190°C
Viscosity	1.98 mPa.s @ 25°C
Molecular Formula	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O S
Molecular Weight	78.13

## 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Hygroscopic.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to moist air or water. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases, Alkali metals
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Sulfur oxides, Sulfides, Formaldehyde
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	Thermal decomposition can take place above 189°C / 372°F.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information

#### Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Dimethyl sulfoxide	LD50 = 28300 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 = 40000 mg/kg ( Rat )	LC50 > 5.33 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

#### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

**Irritation** No information available

**Sensitization** No information available

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

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico

Dimethyl sulfoxide	67-68-5	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
<b>Mutagenic Effects</b>	No information available					
<b>Reproductive Effects</b>	No information available.					
<b>Developmental Effects</b>	No information available.					
<b>Teratogenicity</b>	No information available.					
<b>STOT - single exposure</b>	None known					
<b>STOT - repeated exposure</b>	None known					
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	No information available					
<b>Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed</b>	Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting					
<b>Endocrine Disruptor Information</b>	No information available					
<b>Other Adverse Effects</b>	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.					

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not degradable in waste water treatment plants. Do not empty into drains. .

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Dimethyl sulfoxide	EC50 96h 12350 - 25500 mg/L	40 g/L LC50 96 h 33-37 g/L LC50 96 h	= 16000 mg/L EC50 Pseudomonas putida 16 h = 32 g/L EC50 Tetrahymena pyriformis 24 h = 77 mg/L EC50 Photobacterium phosphoreum 5 min	EC50 24h 7000 mg/L

<b>Persistence and Degradability</b>	Persistence is unlikely
<b>Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation</b>	No information available.
<b>Mobility</b>	. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Dimethyl sulfoxide	-2.03

## 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

<b>DOT</b>	COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID, NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT IN THIS QUANTITY According to 49 CRF §173.150(f)(1), this material should be reclassified as NA1993, Combustible Liquid, NOS if it is shipped in bulk.
<b>UN-No</b>	NA1993
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	Combustible liquid, n.o.s.
<b>Packing Group</b>	III
<b>TDG</b>	Not regulated
<b>IATA</b>	Not regulated
<b>IMDG/IMO</b>	Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory information

### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active/Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Dimethyl sulfoxide	67-68-5	X	ACTIVE	-

#### Legend:

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

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export            Not applicable

### International Inventories

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

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Dimethyl sulfoxide	67-68-5	X	-	200-664-3	X	X	X	X	X	KE-32367

### U.S. Federal Regulations

SARA 313    Not applicable

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories    See section 2 for more information

CWA (Clean Water Act)                        Not applicable

Clean Air Act                                      Not applicable

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration    Not applicable

CERCLA    Not applicable

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
Dimethyl sulfoxide	-	X	-	-	-

### U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ):                    N

DOT Marine Pollutant                            N

DOT Severe Marine Pollutant                    N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security    This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

### Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade                                    Slight risk, Grade 1

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## 16. Other information

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**End of SDS**