

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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This safety data sheet was created pursuant to the requirements of: US OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 2024 (29 CFR 1910.1200)

1. Identification

Product Name Chloroacetic acid

Cat No. : 41724

CAS No 79-11-8
Synonyms MCA

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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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

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

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| Corrosive to metals | Category 1 |
| Acute oral toxicity | Category 3 |
| Acute dermal toxicity | Category 3 |
| Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists | Category 3 |
| Skin Corrosion/Irritation | Category 1 B |
| Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation | Category 1 |
| Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) | Category 3 |
| Target Organs - Respiratory system. | |

Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

May be corrosive to metals
 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
 May cause respiratory irritation
 Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
 Keep only in original packaging

Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

Skin

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

Eyes

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

Ingestion

Rinse mouth
 Do NOT induce vomiting

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 liner
 Store in a dry place

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

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

No information available

3. Composition/information on Ingredients

| Component | CAS No | Weight % |
|-------------------|---------|----------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | <=100 |

4. First-aid measures

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| General Advice | Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required. |
| Eye Contact | Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. |
| Skin Contact | Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required. |
| Inhalation | Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. 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. Immediate medical attention is required. |
| Ingestion | Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. |
| Most important symptoms and effects | Causes burns by all exposure routes. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation |
| Notes to Physician | Treat symptomatically |

5. Fire-fighting measures

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| Suitable Extinguishing Media | CO ₂ , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam. |
| Unsuitable Extinguishing Media | No information available |
| Flash Point | 126 °C / 258.8 °F |
| Method - | No information available |
| Autoignition Temperature | 470 °C / 878 °F |
| Explosion Limits | |
| Upper | No data available |
| Lower | 8.0% |
| Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact | No information available |
| Sensitivity to Static Discharge | No information available |

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO₂). Hydrogen chloride gas.

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

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| Health 4 | Flammability 1 | Instability 1 | Physical hazards N/A |
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6. Accidental release measures

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| Personal Precautions | Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Avoid dust formation. |
| Environmental Precautions | Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. |

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Avoid dust formation.

Storage. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area. Store under an inert atmosphere. Air sensitive. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong bases. Strong reducing agents. Amines. Alcohols.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

| Component | ACGIH TLV | OSHA PEL | NIOSH | Mexico OEL (TWA) |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------|-------|------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | TWA: 0.5 ppm Skin | | | TWA: 0.5 ppm |

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

Engineering Measures Use only under a chemical fume hood. 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.

Recommended Filter type: Particulates filter conforming to EN 143.

Hygiene Measures Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical State

Solid

Color

White

Odor

pungent

Odor Threshold

No information available

Property

Values

Melting Point/Range

61 - 63 °C / 141.8 - 145.4 °F

Softening Point

No data available

Boiling Point/Range

189 °C / 372.2 °F

Flash Point

126 °C / 258.8 °F

Flammability (liquid)

Not applicable

Flammability (solid,gas)

No information available

Remarks

• Method

Method - No information available
Solid

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| Explosion Limits | Lower 8 Vol% | |
| Autoignition Temperature | 470 °C / 878 °F | |
| Decomposition Temperature | No data available | |
| pH | < 1 | (800 g/l @ 20°C) |
| Viscosity | Not applicable | Solid |
| Water Solubility | Soluble | |
| Solubility in other solvents | No information available | |
| Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water) | | |
| Component | log Pow | |
| Chloroacetic acid | 0.49 | |
| Vapor Pressure | 0.75 mmHg (20°C) | |
| Density / Specific Gravity | 1.580 | |
| Bulk Density | No data available | |
| Vapor Density | Not applicable | Solid |
| Particle characteristics | No data available | |
| Other Information | | |
| Molecular Formula | C2 H3 Cl O2 | |
| Molecular Weight | 94.5 | |
| Evaporation Rate | Not applicable - Solid | |

10. Stability and reactivity

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| Reactive Hazard | None known, based on information available |
| Stability | Hygroscopic. |
| Conditions to Avoid | Incompatible products. Excess heat. Avoid dust formation. Exposure to moist air or water. |
| Incompatible Materials | Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases, Strong reducing agents, Amines, Alcohols |
| Hazardous Decomposition Products | Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO ₂), Hydrogen chloride gas |
| Hazardous Polymerization | Hazardous polymerization does not occur. |
| Hazardous Reactions | None under normal processing. |

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

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|-------------------|---|
| Inhalation | Not an expected route of exposure. |
| Ingestion | May be harmful if swallowed. |
| Eyes | Avoid contact with eyes. Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness. |
| Skin | Avoid contact with skin. Causes burns. Harmful in contact with skin. |

Toxicology data for the components

| Component | LD50 Oral | LD50 Dermal | LC50 Inhalation |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Chloroacetic acid | LD50 = 55 mg/kg (Rat) | LD50 = 250 mg/kg (Rabbit) | LC50 = 180 mg/m ³ (Rat) 4 h |

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| Toxicologically Synergistic Products | No information available |
| (b) skin corrosion/irritation; | Category 1 B |

(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
Not mutagenic in AMES Test

(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 |
|-------------------|---------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | 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;

Category 3

Results / Target organs

Respiratory system.

(i) STOT-repeated exposure;

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Target Organs

None known.

(j) aspiration hazard;

Not applicable
Solid

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed

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

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

The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

| Component | Freshwater Algae | Freshwater Fish | Microtox | Water Flea |
|-------------------|--|--|------------|--|
| Chloroacetic acid | EC50: = 1.8 mg/L, 72h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: = 0.025 mg/L, 72h (Desmodesmus subspicatus) | LC50: = 145 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Pimephales promelas) | Not listed | EC50: 71 - 85 mg/L, 48h Static (Daphnia magna) EC50: = 77 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna) |

Persistence and Degradability

Persistence is unlikely

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation

No information available.

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

| Component | log Pow |
|-------------------|---------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 0.49 |

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 UN1751
 Proper Shipping Name CHLOROACETIC ACID, SOLID
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group II

TDG

UN-No UN1751
 Proper Shipping Name CHLOROACETIC ACID, SOLID
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group II

IATA

UN-No UN1751
 Proper Shipping Name CHLOROACETIC ACID, SOLID
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group II

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1751
 Proper Shipping Name CHLOROACETIC ACID, SOLID
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group II

15. Regulatory Information

United States of America Inventory

| Component | CAS No | TSCA | TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive | TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags |
|-------------------|---------|------|---|-----------------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | 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

X = listed.

| Component | CAS No | DSL | NDSL | EINECS | PICCS | ENCS | ISHL | AICS | IECSC | KECL |
|-------------------|---------|-----|------|-----------|-------|------|------|------|-------|----------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | X | - | 201-178-4 | X | X | X | X | X | KE-05492 |

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 |
|-------------------|---------|----------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | <=100 | 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) Not applicable

Clean Air Act

| Component | HAPS Data | Class 1 Ozone Depleters | Class 2 Ozone Depleters |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | X | | - |

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration Not applicable

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) |
|-------------------|--------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 100 lb | 100 lb | 100 lb 45.4 kg |

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 |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|--------------|----------|--------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | X | X | X | 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 does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

| Component | CAS No | REACH (1907/2006) - | REACH (1907/2006) - | REACH Regulation (EC) |
|-----------|--------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | |

| | | Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization | Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances | 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) |
|-------------------|---------|---|---|--|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | - | Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details) | - |

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) |
|-------------------|---------|----------|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | 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 (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements | Rotterdam Convention (PIC) | Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste) |
|-------------------|---------|---|--|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |

16. Other Information

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