SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product Name: Paraformaldehyde
Cat No.: O4042500; T353500; NC1519741; XXPARASPEX10KG; XXPARAFORM10KG; NC1535346
CAS-No: 30525-89-4
Synonyms: Formaldehyde polymer; Polyoxymethylene; Polyformaldehyde
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
One Reagent Lane
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
Tel: (201) 796-7100

Emergency Telephone Number
CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

2. Hazard(s) identification

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

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<th>Hazard Category</th>
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<td>Acute oral toxicity</td>
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<td>Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists</td>
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<td>Skin Corrosion/irritation</td>
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<td>Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation</td>
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<td>Skin Sensitization</td>
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<td>Carcinogenicity</td>
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<td>Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)</td>
<td>Category 3</td>
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<td>Target Organs - Respiratory system.</td>
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<td>Combustible dust</td>
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Label Elements

Signal Word
Danger

Hazard Statements
Paraformaldehyde

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Flammable solid
May form combustible dust concentrations in air
Harmful if swallowed
Causes skin irritation
May cause an allergic skin reaction
Causes serious eye damage
Harmful if inhaled
May cause respiratory irritation
Suspected of causing cancer

Precautionary Statements

Prevention
Obtain special instructions before use
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
Use personal protective equipment as required
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace
Wear protective gloves
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking
Ground/bond container and receiving equipment
Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment

Response
IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

Inhalation
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

Skin
IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse
If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention

Eyes
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

Ingestion
IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell
Rinse mouth

Fire
In case of fire: Use CO2, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

Storage
Store locked up
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

Disposal
Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)
None identified

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients
### 4. First-aid measures

**General Advice**
If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**Eye Contact**
Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

**Skin Contact**
Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.

**Inhalation**
Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Obtain medical attention.

**Ingestion**
Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

**Most important symptoms and effects**
Breathing difficulties. May cause allergic skin reaction. Causes eye burns. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting. Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing

**Notes to Physician**
Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media**
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide. Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**
No information available

**Flash Point**
71 °C / 159.8 °F

**Method**
No information available

**Autoignition Temperature**
300 °C / 572 °F

**Explosion Limits**

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<td>7.0%</td>
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**Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact**
No information available

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge**
No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**
Flammable. Containers may explode when heated. Fine dust dispersed in air may ignite.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**
Carbon monoxide (CO) Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

**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

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<th>Health</th>
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<th>Instability</th>
<th>Physical hazards</th>
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<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
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### 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal Precautions**
Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.
7. Handling and storage

Handling
Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

Storage
Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

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
Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

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. Tightly fitting safety goggles.

Skin and body protection
Long sleeved clothing.

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

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<th>Physical State</th>
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<td>Appearance</td>
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<td>pH</td>
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<td>Melting Point/Range</td>
<td>120 - 170 °C / 248 - 338 °F</td>
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<td>Flammability (solid,gas)</td>
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<td>Flammability or explosive limits</td>
<td>Upper 73% Lower 7.0%</td>
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<td>Vapor Pressure</td>
<td>1.2 mmHg @ .25 °C</td>
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<td>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</td>
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### 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactive Hazard**
Yes

**Stability**
Stable under normal conditions.

**Conditions to Avoid**

**Incompatible Materials**
Strong oxidizing agents

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**
Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

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

**Hazardous Reactions**
None under normal processing.

### 11. Toxicological information

#### Acute Toxicity

**Product Information**

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<th>Component Information</th>
<th>LD50 Oral</th>
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<td>LD50 = 800 mg/kg (Rat)</td>
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<td>LC50 = 1070 mg/m³ (Rat) 4 h</td>
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**Toxicologically Synergistic Products**
No information available

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

**Irritation**
Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin

**Sensitization**
No information available

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

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<th>Component</th>
<th>CAS-No</th>
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**Mutagenic Effects**
Mutagenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

**Reproductive Effects**
No information available.

**Developmental Effects**
No information available.

**Teratogenicity**
No information available.

**STOT - single exposure**
Respiratory system

**STOT - repeated exposure**
None known

**Aspiration hazard**
No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed**
Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching,
swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing

Endocrine Disruptor Information
No information available

Other Adverse Effects
Carcinogenic effects have been reported in experimental animals. The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity
Do not empty into drains.

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<tr>
<th>Component</th>
<th>Freshwater Algae</th>
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<td>&gt;10 mg/L 96h</td>
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Persistence and Degradability
No information available

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation
No information available.

Mobility
No information available.

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

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International Inventories

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Legend:
X - Listed
E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.
F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.
N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated
Paraformaldehyde

polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance
R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.
S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule
T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.
XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B).
Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.
Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable
SARA 313 Not applicable
SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories See section 2 for more information

CWA (Clean Water Act)

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Clean Air Act Not applicable

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)

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California Proposition 65 This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

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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 Moderate risk, Grade 2

16. Other information

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End of SDS