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Material Safety Data Sheet

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24 Hour Emergency Telephone: 908-859-2151
CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300

National Response in Canada
CANUTEC: 613-996-6666

Outside U.S. And Canada
Chemtrec: 703-527-3887

NOTE: CHEMTREC, CANUTEC and National Response Center emergency numbers to be used only in the event of chemical emergencies involving a spill, leak, fire, exposure or accident involving chemicals.

All non-emergency questions should be directed to Customer Service (1-800-582-2537) for assistance.

ALUMINUM CHLORIDE

1. Product Identification

Synonyms: Aluminum trichloride hexahydrate; aluminum(III) chloride hexahydrate

CAS No.: 7446-70-0 Anhydrous; (7784-13-6 Hexahydrate)

Molecular Weight: 241.43

Chemical Formula: Al Cl₃.6H₂O

Product Codes: 0498, 0500

2. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredient	CAS No	Percent
Hazardous		
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Aluminum Chloride	7446-70-0	100%
Yes		

3. Hazards Identification

Emergency Overview

CAUTION! MAY CAUSE IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES, AND RESPIRATORY TRACT.

J.T. Baker SAF-T-DATA^(tm) Ratings (Provided here for your convenience)

Health Rating: 1 - Slight

Flammability Rating: 0 - None

Reactivity Rating: 1 - Slight

Contact Rating: 1 - Slight

Lab Protective Equip: GOGGLES; LAB COAT

Storage Color Code: Orange (General Storage)

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation:

May cause irritation to the respiratory tract. Symptoms may include coughing and shortness of breath.

Ingestion:

Low single dose toxicity. Ingestion of large amounts may cause nausea, vomiting and abdominal spasms.

Skin Contact:

May cause irritation.

Eye Contact:

May cause irritation, redness and pain.

Chronic Exposure:

No information found.

Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions:

Persons with pre-existing skin disorders or eye problems or impaired respiratory function may be more susceptible to the effects of the substance.

4. First Aid Measures

Inhalation:

Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

Ingestion:

Give several glasses of water to drink to dilute. If large amounts were swallowed, get medical advice.

Skin Contact:

Remove any contaminated clothing. Wash skin with soap and water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.

Eye Contact:

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting upper and lower eyelids occasionally. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Fire:

Not considered to be a fire hazard.

Explosion:

Not considered to be an explosion hazard.

Fire Extinguishing Media:

Water, carbon dioxide, or dry chemical.

Special Information:

In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

6. Accidental Release Measures

Ventilate area of leak or spill. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Spills: Sweep up and containerize for reclamation or disposal. Vacuuming or wet sweeping may be used to avoid dust dispersal.

7. Handling and Storage

Keep in a tightly closed container. Protect from physical damage. Store in a cool, dry, ventilated area away from sources of heat, moisture and incompatibilities. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty since they retain product residues (dust, solids); observe all warnings and precautions listed for the product.

8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Airborne Exposure Limits:

-ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TLV):

2 mg/m³ (TWA) soluble salts as Al

Ventilation System:

A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below the Airborne Exposure Limits. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing

dispersion of it into the general work area. Please refer to the ACGIH document, *Industrial Ventilation, A Manual of Recommended Practices*, most recent edition, for details.

Personal Respirators (NIOSH Approved):

If the exposure limit is exceeded and engineering controls are not feasible, a half facepiece particulate respirator (NIOSH type N95 or better filters) may be worn for up to ten times the exposure limit or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest.. A full-face piece particulate respirator (NIOSH type N100 filters) may be worn up to 50 times the exposure limit, or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency, or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. If oil particles (e.g. lubricants, cutting fluids, glycerine, etc.) are present, use a NIOSH type R or P filter. For emergencies or instances where the exposure levels are not known, use a full-facepiece positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator. **WARNING:** Air-purifying respirators do not protect workers in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.

Skin Protection:

Wear protective gloves and clean body-covering clothing.

Eye Protection:

Use chemical safety goggles. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance:

White crystalline powder.

Odor:

Odorless.

Solubility:

Soluble in water and alcohol.

Density:

2.4

pH:

No information found.

% Volatiles by volume @ 21C (70F):

0

Boiling Point:

Not applicable.

Melting Point:

100C (212F) Decomposes.

Vapor Density (Air=1):

No information found.

Vapor Pressure (mm Hg):

No information found.

Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):

No information found.

10. Stability and Reactivity

Stability:

Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage.

Hazardous Decomposition Products:

May emit toxic chloride fumes when heated to decomposition.

Hazardous Polymerization:

Will not occur.

Incompatibilities:

Water, moist air.

Conditions to Avoid:

Moisture.

11. Toxicological Information

Oral rat LD50: 3311 mg/Kg. Oral mouse LD50: 770 mg/kg. Irritation data: Skin human 7500 ug/3D-I mild. Investigated as a mutagen and reproductive effector.

-----\Cancer Lists\-----			

Ingredient	---NTP	Carcinogen---	
Category	Known	Anticipated	IARC
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Aluminum Chloride (7446-70-0)	No	No	
None			

12. Ecological Information

Environmental Fate:

Aluminum chloride hydrolyzes in water to aluminum hydroxide and hydrochloric acid.

Environmental Toxicity:

No information found.

13. Disposal Considerations

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be managed in an appropriate and approved waste disposal facility. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may

differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

14. Transport Information

Not regulated.

15. Regulatory Information

-----\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 1\-----

Ingredient TSCA EC Japan
Australia

Aluminum Chloride (7446-70-0) Yes Yes Yes
Yes

-----\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 2\-----

Ingredient Korea --Canada--
Phil. DSL NDSL

Aluminum Chloride (7446-70-0) Yes Yes No
Yes

-----\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 1\-----

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Ingredient RQ TPQ List
Chemical Catg.

Aluminum Chloride (7446-70-0) No No No
No

-----\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 2\-----

TSCA-
Ingredient CERCLA 261.33 8(d)

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Aluminum Chloride (7446-70-0) No No No

Chemical Weapons Convention: No TSCA 12(b): No CDTA: No
SARA 311/312: Acute: Yes Chronic: No Fire: No Pressure: No

Reactivity: No (Pure / Solid)

Australian Hazchem Code: None allocated.

Poison Schedule: None allocated.

WHMIS:

This MSDS has been prepared according to the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

16. Other Information

NFPA Ratings: Health: 1 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 0

Label Hazard Warning:

CAUTION! MAY CAUSE IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES, AND RESPIRATORY TRACT.

Label Precautions:

Avoid breathing dust.

Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing.

Wash thoroughly after handling.

Keep container closed.

Use with adequate ventilation.

Label First Aid:

In case of contact, immediately flush eyes or skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. If inhaled, remove to fresh air. Get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

Product Use:

Laboratory Reagent.

Revision Information:

No Changes. LAST ITEM CODE DROPPED 08/2006 - DO NOT UPDATE MSDS.

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