

Material Safety Data Sheet

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1 Identification of substance:**Product details:****Product name:** Chromium (III) oxide**Stock number:** 12286**Manufacturer/Supplier:**

Alfa Aesar, A Johnson Matthey Company
 Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.
 30 Bond Street
 Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099
 Emergency Phone: (978) 521-6300
 CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300
 Web Site: www.alfa.com

Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department**Emergency information:**

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department. After normal hours call Chemtrec at (800) 424-9300.

2 Composition/Data on components:**Chemical characterization:****Description: (CAS#)**

Chromium (III) oxide (CAS# 1308-38-9): 100%

Identification number(s):**EINECS Number:** 215-160-9**3 Hazards identification****Hazard description:**

Xn Harmful

Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment

R 20/22 Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.
 R 43 May cause sensitization by skin contact.

Classification system**HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)****(Hazardous Materials Identification System)**

HEALTH	2
FIRE	0
REACTIVITY	1

Health (acute effects) = 2

Flammability = 0

Reactivity = 1

GHS label elements

Danger

3.1/3 - Toxic if swallowed.
 3.1/4 - Harmful if inhaled.
 3.4/1 - May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Prevention:

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
 Wash thoroughly after handling.
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
 Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Response:

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
 IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
 Specific treatment (see label).
 Rinse mouth.
 If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Storage:

Store locked up.

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Disposal:

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

4 First aid measures**After inhalation**

Supply fresh air and to be sure call for a doctor.
Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.
Seek immediate medical advice.

After skin contact

Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
Seek immediate medical advice.

After eye contact

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

After swallowing Seek immediate medical advice.

Information for doctor

The following symptoms may occur: Nausea

5 Fire fighting measures**Suitable extinguishing agents**

Product is not flammable. Use fire fighting measures that suit the surrounding fire.

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

6 Accidental release measures**Person-related safety precautions:**

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
Ensure adequate ventilation

Measures for environmental protection:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

Measures for cleaning/collecting:

Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.
Ensure adequate ventilation.

Additional information:

See Section 7 for information on safe handling
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
See Section 13 for disposal information.

7 Handling and storage**Handling****Information for safe handling:**

Keep container tightly sealed.
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.
Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.

Information about protection against explosions and fires: The product is not flammable

Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Do not store together with oxidizing and acidic materials.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.
Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

8 Exposure controls and personal protection**Additional information about design of technical systems:**

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

Chromium (III) compounds, as Cr
mg/m3
ACGIH TLV 0.5; A4
Belgium TWA 0.5
Denmark TWA 0.5
Finland TWA 0.01

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France VME 0.5
 Japan OEL 0.5
 Korea TLV 0.5
 Netherlands MAC-TGG 0.5
 Norway TWA 0.5
 Poland TWA 0.5
 Sweden NGV 0.5
 United Kingdom TWA 0.5
 USA PEL 0.5

Additional information: No data**Personal protective equipment****General protective and hygienic measures**

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Breathing equipment: Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.**Protection of hands:** Impervious gloves**Eye protection:** Safety glasses**Body protection:** Protective work clothing.**9 Physical and chemical properties:****General Information**

Form: Powder
Color: Green
Odor: Odorless

Change in condition

Melting point/Melting range: 2435°C (4415°F)
Boiling point/Boiling range: 4000°C (7232°F)
Sublimation temperature / start: Not determined

Flash point: Not applicable**Ignition temperature:** Not determined**Decomposition temperature:** Not determined**Danger of explosion:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.**Explosion limits:**

Lower: Not determined
Upper: Not determined

Vapor pressure: Not determined**Density at 20°C (68°F):** 5.21 g/cm³**Solubility in / Miscibility with****Water:** Insoluble**10 Stability and reactivity****Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**

Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

Materials to be avoided:

Oxidizing agents

Acids

Interhalogens

Dangerous reactions No dangerous reactions known**Dangerous products of decomposition:** Metal oxide fume**11 Toxicological information****Acute toxicity:****Primary irritant effect:****on the skin:** Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.**on the eye:** Irritating effect.**Sensitization:** Sensitization possible through skin contact.**Other information (about experimental toxicology):**

Tumorigenic effects have been observed on tests with laboratory animals.

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Subacute to chronic toxicity:

Chromium powder, chromium (II) and chromium (III) compounds may cause nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, skin and eye irritation and pneumoconiosis. Although less likely than Cr(VI) compounds, the NTP considers all chromium to be potentially carcinogenic.

Additional toxicological information:

To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

IARC-3: Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.

ACGIH A4: Not classifiable as a human carcinogen: Inadequate data on which to classify the agent in terms of its carcinogenicity in humans and/or animals.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains tumorigenic and/or carcinogenic and/or neoplastic data for components in this product.

12 Ecological information:**General notes:**

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

13 Disposal considerations**Product:**

Recommendation Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

14 Transport information

Not a hazardous material for transportation.

DOT regulations:

Hazard class: None

Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)

ADR/RID class: None

Maritime transport IMDG:

IMDG Class: None

Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:

ICAO/IATA Class: None

Transport/Additional information: Not dangerous according to the above specifications.

15 Regulations**Product related hazard informations:****Hazard symbols:**

Xn Harmful

Risk phrases:

20/22 Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.

43 May cause sensitization by skin contact.

Safety phrases:

9 Keep container in a well-ventilated place.

24 Avoid contact with skin.

37 Wear suitable gloves.

National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).

Information about limitation of use:

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

This product contains chromium and is subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act of 1986 and 40CFR372.

16 Other information:

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure

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proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing MSDS: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

Contact: Zachariah Holt

Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization

ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)

GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

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