

SAFETY DATA SHEET

SDS00384 Oxalic Acid

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1. IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier

Product Name Oxalic Acid

Other means of identification

Product Code(s) SDS00384

Synonyms Ethanedionic acid.

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended Use Textile cleaning, flame proofing, rust removal, and fabric dyeing; metal and

equipment cleaning; anti-corrosion coating; chemical intermediate and catalyst

Restricted Uses No information available

Initial Supplier Identifier

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Emergency telephone number

24 Hour Emergency Phone Number (CANUTEC): 1-888-226-8832 (1-888-CAN-UTEC)

2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Hazardous Classification of the substance or mixture

Acute toxicity - Oral	Category 4
Acute toxicity - Dermal	Category 4
Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 1
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1

Label elements

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Hazard pictograms



Signal Word: Danger

Hazard statements Harmful if swallowed Harmful in contact with skin Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

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 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

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

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

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell Rinse mouth

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

Unknown acute toxicity No information available

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance

Chemical Name	CAS No	Weight-%	Synonyms
Oxalic Acid	144-62-7	90 - 100%	Oxalic Acid

4. FIRST AID

Description of first aid measures

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General advice

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

Inhalation

Remove to fresh air. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention immediately. 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. If breathing is difficult, (trained personnel should) give oxygen. Delayed pulmonary edema may occur.

Eye contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. Do not rub affected area. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

Skin contact

Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

Ingestion

Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

Self-protection of the first aider

Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination. Wear personal protective clothing (see section 8). Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid direct contact with skin. Use barrier to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed:

Causes severe eye irritation Headache, nausea and vomiting may occur. May irritate mouth, nose, and throat. Coughing, chest pains, and breathing difficulty may occur. Can cause redness, pain and damage to the cornea. If damage is restricted to the outer layer of the eye, recovery may occur within a few days. Prolonged contact with solutions can produce irreversible eye damage. Can cause severe poisoning or death, depending on the concentration and total amount of material ingested. Dilute solutions may cause no immediate irritation or pain, while concentrated material (such as 10% solutions or the solid) can cause burning pain in the mouth, throat and stomach, followed by profuse vomiting (sometimes bloody) (corrosive effects). Small doses of oxalate in the body may cause headache, pain and twitching in muscles and cramps. Larger doses can cause weak and irregular heartbeat, a drop in blood pressure and signs of heart failure. Large doses rapidly cause a shock-like state, convulsions, coma and possibly death. A delayed effect of ingestion is kidney damage, possibly leading to renal failure. Solutions of 5 to 10 percent acid are irritating to the skin after prolonged exposure and can cause corrosive injury. Excessive contact may produce a delayed localized pain and discoloration of the skin with fingernails becoming brittle and blue-colored.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed:

Note to physicians

If victim is conscious give immediately, by mouth, a fine suspension in water of a non-toxic calcium compound such as calcium lactate, chalk, plaster or milk. Large amounts of calcium are required to inactivate oxalate by precipitating it as the insoluble calcium oxalate salt.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

Specific hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Use water spray to cool fire-exposed containers and structures.

Hazardous combustion products

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Oxides of carbon.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear. Use personal protection equipment.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Attention! Corrosive material. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.

Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Should not be released into the environment. Do not allow to enter into soil/subsoil. Prevent product from entering drains.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Keep the containers closed when not in use. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Empty containers may contain hazardous product residues. Avoid breathing in dust. Avoid dust generation and provide for room ventilation during handling. Ensure all containers are labeled.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, away from heat and ignition sources. Avoid storage with incompatible materials.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control parameters

Exposure Limits

Chemical Name	Alberta OEL	British Columbia OEL	Ontario	Quebec OEL	Exposure Limit - ACGIH	Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health - IDLH
Oxalic Acid 144-62-7	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³	2 mg/m³ STEL 1 mg/m³ TLV-TWA	500 mg/m ³			

Consult local authorities for recommended exposure limits

Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering controls

If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne

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levels below recommended exposure limits.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Chemical goggles; also wear a face shield if splashing hazard exists.

Hand protection

Butyl rubber gloves. Nitrile gloves. Neoprene gloves. Polyvinylchloride (PVC) gloves.

Skin and body protection

Wear suitable protective clothing. Long sleeved clothing. Chemical resistant apron.

Respiratory protection

NIOSH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR OXALIC ACID CONCENTRATIONS IN AIR:

UP TO 25 mg/m³: Powered air-purifying respirator with dust and mist filter(s); or SAR operated in a continuous-flow mode.

UP TO 50 mg/m³: Full-facepiece respirator with high-efficiency particulate filter(s); or full-facepiece SCBA; or full-facepiece SAR.

UP TO 500 mg/m³: Positive pressure, full-facepiece SAR.

General hygiene considerations

Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing is recommended. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical stateSolid Crystals or PowderColorColorless Transparent

Odor Odorless

Odor threshold No information available

PROPERTIES <u>Values</u> <u>Remarks • Method</u>

pH 1.3 (0.1 M solution in water)

Melting point / freezing point No data available 101.5 (dihydrate), 187 (anhydrous)

Initial boiling point/boiling rangeNo data availableNone knownFlash pointNo data availableNone knownEvaporation rateNo data availableNone knownFlammability (solid, gas)No data availableNone known

Flammability Limit in Air

Upper flammability limit: No data available Lower flammability limit: No data available

Vapor pressure <0.001 mm Hg @ 20 deg C

Relative vapor densityNo data availableNone knownSpecific GravityNo data availableNone known

Water solubility
Solubility in other solvents
Partition coefficient
Soluble in water
No data available
No data available

Autoignition temperatureNo data availableNone knownDecomposition temperatureNo data availableNone knownKinematic viscosityNo data availableNone known

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Dynamic viscosity No data available None known

Explosive propertiesNo information available. **Oxidizing properties**No information available.

Molecular weight 90.04 (anhydrous), 126.07 (dihydrate)

VOC Percentage VolatilityNo information availableLiquid DensityNo information availableBulk densityNo information available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity/Chemical Stability

Stable If heated to melting point, sublimation and decomposition occurs.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

No additional remark.

Conditions to avoid

Incompatible materials. Avoid excessive heat, open flames and all ignition sources. Moisture.

Incompatible materials

Oxidizing agents. Alkalis. Alkali metals. Acid chlorides. Iron. Silver.

Hazardous decomposition products

Oxides of carbon.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation

Headache, nausea and vomiting may occur. May irritate mouth, nose, and throat. Coughing, chest pains, and breathing difficulty may occur.

Eye contact

Causes severe eye irritation. Can cause redness, pain and damage to the cornea. If damage is restricted to the outer layer of the eye, recovery may occur within a few days. Prolonged contact with solutions can produce irreversible eye damage.

Skin contact

Solutions of 5 to 10 percent acid are irritating to the skin after prolonged exposure and can cause corrosive injury. Excessive contact may produce a delayed localized pain and discoloration of the skin with fingernails becoming brittle and blue-colored.

Ingestion

Can cause severe poisoning or death, depending on the concentration and total amount of material ingested. Dilute solutions may cause no immediate irritation or pain, while concentrated material (such as 10% solutions or the solid) can cause burning pain in the mouth, throat and stomach, followed by profuse vomiting (sometimes bloody) (corrosive effects). Small doses of oxalate in the body may cause headache, pain and twitching in muscles and cramps. Larger doses can cause weak and irregular heartbeat, a drop in blood pressure and signs of heart failure. Large doses rapidly cause a shock-like state, convulsions, coma and possibly death. A delayed effect of ingestion is kidney damage, possibly leading to renal failure.

Information on toxicological effects

Symptoms

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Long term exposure to oxalic acid solutions, by ingestion, skin absorption and inhalation, is linked to stone formation (calculi) in the kidney and urinary tract (urolithiasis) of workers. Painful abdominal spasms (during the passing of the stone) as well as painful and difficult urination during exposure). Oxalic acid solutions can cause localized pain, discoloration of the fingers and nails and possibly ulcers and gangrene. Weight loss, chronic inflammation of the upper respiratory tract, irritation of the nose and throat and painful urination were symptoms of long term chronic exposure by inhalation.

Numerical measures of toxicity

Acute toxicity

The following values are calculated based on chapter 3.1 of the GHS document .

 ATEmix (oral)
 375.00 mg/kg

 ATEmix (dermal)
 1,100.00 mg/kg

Unknown acute toxicity No information available

Chemical Name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Oxalic Acid	= 375 mg/kg (Rat)	= 20000 mg/kg (Rat)	Not available
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Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Skin corrosion/irritation

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Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Causes severe eye irritation. Can cause redness, pain and damage to the cornea. If damage is restricted to the outer layer of the eye, recovery may occur within a few days. Prolonged contact with solutions can produce irreversible eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

No information available.

Germ cell mutagenicity

No information available.

Carcinogenicity

No information available.

Chemical Name	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA
Oxalic Acid	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
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Reproductive toxicity

No information available.

Specific target organ systemic toxicity - single exposure

No information available.

Specific target organ systemic toxicity - repeated exposure

No information available.

Aspiration hazard

No information available.

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

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Chemical Name	Ecotoxicity - Freshwater	Ecotoxicity - Fish Species	Toxicity to	Crustacea
	Algae Data	Data	microorganisms	
Oxalic Acid	Not available	Not available	Not available	EC50: 125 - 150mg/L
144-62-7				(48h, Daphnia magna)

Persistence and degradability No information available.

Bioaccumulation No information available.

Component Information

Chemical Name	Partition coefficient	
Oxalic Acid	-0.81	
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Other adverse effects No information available.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation.

Do not reuse empty containers.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

TDG (Canada):

UN Number
Shipping name
Class
Packing Group
Marine pollutant
Not applicable
Not applicable
Not applicable
Not applicable
Not applicable

DOT (U.S.)

UN Number Not applicable
Shipping name Not regulated
Class Not applicable
Packing Group Not applicable
Marine pollutant Not available

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

U.S. Regulatory Rules

Chemical Name	CERCLA/SARA - Section 302:	SARA (311, 312) Hazard Class:	CERCLA/SARA - Section 313:
Oxalic Acid - 144-62-7	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed

International Inventories

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Complies **TSCA DSL/NDSL** Complies

Legend:

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

16. OTHER INFORMATION. INCLUDING DATE OF PREPARATION OF THE LAST REVISION

NFPA: **Health hazards** 3 Flammability 0 **Instability** 0 Physical and

chemical properties -

HMIS Health Rating: Health hazards 3 Flammability 0 Physical hazards 0 Personal protection

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Legend Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

TWA TWA (time-weighted average) STEL STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)

Ceiling Maximum limit value Skin designation

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