# SIGMA-ALDRICH

# **Material Safety Data Sheet**

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# 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Nitric acid

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# 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration				
Nitric acid							
7697-37-2	231-714-2	007-004-00-1	>= 68 - < 70 %				
Water							
7732-18-5	231-791-2	-	>= 30 - < 32 %				

# 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

# **Emergency Overview**

**Target Organs** 

Lungs, Teeth., Cardiovascular system.

WHMIS Classification

E Corrosive Material Corrosive to metals

C Corrosive Oxidizer

**HMIS Classification** 

Health hazard: 3
Chronic Health Hazard: \*
Flammability: 0
Physical hazards: 2

**Potential Health Effects** 

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the

mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.

**Skin** May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.

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**Eyes** Causes eye burns.

**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed. Causes burns.

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### **General advice**

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration Consult a physician.

## In case of skin contact

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

## In case of eye contact

Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital. Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

#### If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

# 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

# Flammable properties

Flash point no data available Ignition temperature no data available

# Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

# Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

# **Personal precautions**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

# **Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

# Methods for cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### Handling

Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

# **Storage**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

# Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Update	Basis
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	TWA	2 ppm	2006-11-29	Canada. British Columbia OEL
		STEL	4 ppm	2006-11-29	Canada. British Columbia OEL
		TWAE V	2 ppm 5 mg/m3	2005-12-17	Canada. Ontario OELs
		STEV	4 ppm 10 mg/m3	2005-12-17	Canada. Ontario OELs
		STEL	4 ppm 10 mg/m3	2007-01-01	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)
		TWA	2 ppm 5.2 mg/m3	2007-01-01	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)
		TWAE V	2 ppm 5.2 mg/m3	2006-12-29	Canada. Quebec OELs
		STEV	4 ppm 10 mg/m3	2006-12-29	Canada. Quebec OELs

# Personal protective equipment

# **Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

# Hand protection

Handle with gloves.

# Eye protection

Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum).

# Skin and body protection

Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.

## Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# **Appearance**

Form liquid
Colour colourless

Safety data

pH < 1.0

Melting point no data available

Boiling point 122 °C (252 °F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)

Flash point no data available
Ignition temperature no data available
Lower explosion limit no data available
Upper explosion limit no data available

Vapour pressure 49 hPa (37 mmHg) at 50 °C (122 °F)

Density 1.413 g/cm3 at 20 °C (68 °F)

Water solubility no data available

#### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

## Storage stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

# Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - nitrogen oxides (NOx)

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# **Acute toxicity**

no data available

#### Irritation and corrosion

no data available

#### Sensitisation

no data available

# Chronic exposure

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as

probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

# Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., Inhalation may provoke the following symptoms:, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, Symptoms and signs of poisoning are:, burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting, Pulmonary edema. Effects may be delayed., Large doses may cause: conversion of hemoglobin to methemoglobin, producing cyanosis; marked fall in blood pressure, leading to collapse, coma, and possibly death.

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# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## Elimination information (persistence and degradability)

no data available

# **Ecotoxicity effects**

no data available

# Further information on ecology

no data available

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### **Product**

Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

# Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)

UN-Number: 2031 Class: 8 Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Nitric acid Reportable Quantity (RQ): 1429 lbs

Marine pollutant: No

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG** 

UN-Number: 2031 Class: 8 (5.1) Packing group: II EMS-No: F-A, S-Q

Proper shipping name: NITRIC ACID

Marine pollutant: No

IATA

UN-Number: 2031 Class: 8 (5.1) Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Nitric acid

IATA Passenger: Not permitted for transport

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

# **DSL Status**

All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL list.

# **WHMIS Classification**

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C Corrosive Oxidizer

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

#### **Further information**

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