

Material Safety Data Sheet

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1 Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking**Product identifier****Product name:** Chromium (III) oxide**Stock number:** 12286**CAS Number:**

1308-38-9

EC number:

215-160-9

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.**Sector of Use** SU24 Scientific research and development**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet****Manufacturer/Supplier:**

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Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department**Emergency telephone number:**

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department at (800) 343-0660. After normal hours call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

2 Hazards identification**Classification of the substance or mixture**

GHS06 Skull and crossbones

H301 Toxic if swallowed.



GHS07

H332 Harmful if inhaled.

H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC

Xn; Harmful

R20/22: Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.



Xi; Irritant

R43: May cause sensitization by skin contact.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment: Not applicable**Label elements****Labelling according to EU guidelines:**

The product has been classified and marked in accordance with directives on hazardous materials.

Code letter and hazard designation of product:

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.

60 This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.

Hazard description:**WHMIS classification**

D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects

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**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

Other hazards**Results of PBT and vPvB assessment****PBT:** Not applicable.**vPvB:** Not applicable.**3 Composition/information on ingredients****Chemical characterization: Substances****CAS# Description:**

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Identification number(s):**EC number:** 215-160-9**4 First aid measures****Description of first aid measures****General information**

Symptoms of poisoning may even occur after several hours; therefore medical observation for at least 48 hours after the accident.

After inhalation

In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.

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

Drink lots of water.

Induce vomiting if patient is conscious.

Call a doctor immediately.

Information for doctor**Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

No further relevant information available.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No further relevant information available.

5 Firefighting measures**Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing agents**

Fire-extinguishing powder

Dry sand

Carbon dioxide

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

In case of fire, the following can be released:

Advice for firefighters**Protective equipment:**

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

6 Accidental release measures**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

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Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
 Ensure adequate ventilation
Environmental precautions:
 Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
 Do not allow to penetrate the ground/soil.
Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:
 Prevent formation of dust.
 Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.
 Ensure adequate ventilation.
Reference to other sections
 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****Precautions for safe handling**

Thoroughly remove all dust particles.
 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: No information known.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**Storage**

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements.
Information about storage in one common storage facility: Store away from oxidizing agents.
Further information about storage conditions:
 Keep container tightly sealed.
 Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.
Specific end use(s) No further relevant information available.

8 Exposure controls/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.

Control parameters**Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

1308-38-9 Chromium(III) oxide (100.0%)

REL ()	0.5 mg/m ³ as Cr
TLV ()	0.5 mg/m ³ as Cr

Additional information:

The exposure limits that were valid when the MSDS was created were used.
 No data

Exposure controls**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.
 Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment:

In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.
 Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Protection of hands:

Impervious gloves
 Rubber gloves
 Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.

Material of gloves

The selection of suitable gloves not only depends on the material, but also on quality. Quality will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.

Eye protection: Safety glasses

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Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9 Physical and chemical properties**Information on basic physical and chemical properties****General Information****Appearance:**

Form:	Powder or lump
Color:	Pale to dark green
Odor:	Odorless
Odor threshold:	Not determined.

pH-value:	Not applicable.
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Change in condition

Melting point/Melting range:	2435°C (4415 °F)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	3000°C (5432 °F)
Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined

Flash point:	Not applicable
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Flammability (solid, gaseous)	Product is not flammable.
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Ignition temperature:	Not determined
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Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
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Auto igniting:	Not determined.
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Danger of explosion:	Product does not present an explosion hazard.
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Explosion limits:

Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined

Vapor pressure at 20°C (68 °F):	0 hPa
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Density at 20°C (68 °F):	5.22 g/cm ³ (43.561 lbs/gal)
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Relative density	Not determined.
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Vapor density	Not applicable.
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Evaporation rate	Not applicable.
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Segregation coefficient (n-octanol/water):	Not determined.
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Viscosity:

dynamic:	Not applicable.
kinematic:	Not applicable.

Other information	No further relevant information available.
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10 Stability and reactivity**Reactivity****Chemical stability****Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**

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

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Reacts with strong oxidizing agents

Reacts with acids

Incompatible materials: Oxidizing agents**Hazardous decomposition products:** Toxic metal oxide fume**11 Toxicological information****Information on toxicological effects****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.**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.

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The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute and/or other multiple dose toxicity data for components in this product.
 The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains reproductive and/or mutation data for components in this product.
 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**Toxicity**

Aquatic toxicity: No further relevant information available.

Persistence and degradability No further relevant information available.

Behavior in environmental systems:

Bioaccumulative potential No further relevant information available.

Mobility in soil No further relevant information available.

Additional ecological information:**General notes:**

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

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable.

vPvB: Not applicable.

Other adverse effects No further relevant information available.

13 Disposal considerations**Waste treatment methods**

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

UN-Number	
DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA	Not applicable
UN proper shipping name	
DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA	Not applicable
Transport hazard class(es)	
DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA	
Class	Not applicable
Packing group	
DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA	Not applicable
Environmental hazards:	
Marine pollutant:	No
Special precautions for user	Not applicable.
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
UN "Model Regulation":	-

15 Regulatory information

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

Product related hazard informations:

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Hazard symbols:

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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.**Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations****REACH - Pre-registered substances** Substance is listed.**Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.**16 Other information**

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

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 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:**

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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

IATA: International Air Transport Association

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

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

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)

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