

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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Emergency Contact:
CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300
Calls Originating Outside the US:
703-527-3887 (Collect Calls Accepted)

SUBSTANCE: FLUORINE

TRADE NAMES/SYNONYMS:

MTG MSDS 35; ATOMIC FLUORINE; FLUORINE ATOM; FLUORINE-19; DIATOMIC; RCRA P056; UN 1045; F2; MAT09920; RTECS LM6475000

CHEMICAL FAMILY: halogens

CREATION DATE: Jan 24 1989

REVISION DATE: Dec 11 2008

2. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

COMPONENT: FLUORINE

CAS NUMBER: 7782-41-4

PERCENTAGE: 100.0

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

NFPA RATINGS (SCALE 0-4): HEALTH=4 FIRE=0 REACTIVITY=4



EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:

COLOR: yellow

PHYSICAL FORM: gas

ODOR: pungent odor

MAJOR HEALTH HAZARDS: potentially fatal if inhaled, respiratory tract burns, skin burns, eye burns

PHYSICAL HAZARDS: May explode on contact with water. Containers may rupture or explode if exposed to heat. Strong oxidizer. Contact with combustible material may cause fire.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

INHALATION:

SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: irritation (possibly severe), chest pain, bluish skin color, lung congestion,

kidney damage, liver damage, convulsions, death

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: tooth discoloration

SKIN CONTACT:

SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: burns

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: same as effects reported in short term exposure

EYE CONTACT:

SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: irritation (possibly severe), blindness

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: same as effects reported in short term exposure

INGESTION:

SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: no information is available

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: no information is available

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

INHALATION: If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Get immediate medical attention.

SKIN CONTACT: Remove contaminated clothing, jewelry, and shoes immediately. Wash with soap or mild detergent and large amounts of water until no evidence of chemical remains (at least 15-20 minutes). For burns, cover affected area securely with sterile, dry, loose-fitting dressing. Get medical attention.

EYE CONTACT: Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN: For inhalation, consider oxygen. For skin contact, consider magnesium oxide/water/glycerin paste; calcium gluconate gel.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS: Negligible fire hazard. Oxidizer. May ignite or explode on contact with combustible materials. Containers may rupture or explode if exposed to heat.

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: water

Do not use dry chemicals, carbon dioxide or halogenated extinguishing agents.

FIRE FIGHTING: Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk. Cool containers with water spray until well after the fire is out. Stay away from the ends of tanks. For fires in cargo or storage area: If this is impossible then take the following precautions: Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Let the fire burn. For small fires, contain and let burn.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

OCCUPATIONAL RELEASE:

Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Avoid contact with combustible materials. Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Ventilate closed spaces before entering. Notify Local Emergency Planning Committee and State Emergency Response Commission for release greater than or equal to RQ (U.S. SARA Section 304). If release occurs in the U.S. and is reportable under CERCLA Section 103, notify the National Response Center at (800)424-8802 (USA) or (202)426-2675 (USA).

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

STORAGE: Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Keep separated from incompatible substances. Protect from physical damage. Keep separated from incompatible substances. Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Notify State Emergency Response Commission for storage or use at amounts greater than or equal to the TPQ (U.S. EPA SARA Section 302). SARA Section 303 requires facilities storing a material with a TPQ to participate in local emergency response planning (U.S. EPA 40 CFR 355 Part B).

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE LIMITS:

FLUORINE:

0.1 ppm (0.2 mg/m³) OSHA TWA

1 ppm ACGIH TWA

2 ppm ACGIH STEL

0.1 ppm (0.2 mg/m³) NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s)

VENTILATION: Provide local exhaust or process enclosure ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

EYE PROTECTION: Wear splash resistant safety goggles with a faceshield. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.

CLOTHING: Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing.

GLOVES: Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

RESPIRATOR: The following respirators and maximum use concentrations are drawn from NIOSH and/or OSHA.

1 ppm

Any supplied-air respirator.

2.5 ppm

Any supplied-air respirator operated in a continuous-flow mode.

5 ppm

Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.

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25 ppm

Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

Emergency or planned entry into unknown concentrations or IDLH conditions -

Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with an auxiliary self-contained breathing apparatus operated in pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

Escape -

Any air-purifying full-facepiece respirator (gas mask) with a chin-style, front-mounted or back-mounted canister providing protection against the compound of concern.

Only non-oxidizable sorbents are allowed (not charcoal).

Any appropriate escape-type, self-contained breathing apparatus.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL STATE: gas

COLOR: yellow

ODOR: pungent odor

MOLECULAR WEIGHT: 38.0

MOLECULAR FORMULA: F₂

BOILING POINT: -306 F (-188 C)

FREEZING POINT: -362 F (-219 C)

VAPOR PRESSURE: 1219.89 mmHg @ -183.75 C

VAPOR DENSITY (air=1): 1.7

SPECIFIC GRAVITY (water=1): 1.14 @ 200 C

WATER SOLUBILITY: reacts

PH: Not applicable

VOLATILITY: Not applicable

ODOR THRESHOLD: 0.035 ppm

EVAPORATION RATE: Not applicable

COEFFICIENT OF WATER/OIL DISTRIBUTION: Not applicable

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

REACTIVITY: May react with evolution of heat on contact with water. Releases toxic, corrosive, flammable or explosive gases. May explode on contact with water.

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Avoid contact with combustible materials. Minimize contact with material. Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Keep out of water supplies and sewers.

INCOMPATIBILITIES: combustible materials, metal oxides, bases, metal salts, peroxides, halogens, halo carbons, acids, metal carbide, metals, oxidizing materials, reducing agents

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION:

Thermal decomposition products: miscellaneous decomposition products

POLYMERIZATION: Will not polymerize.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

FLUORINE:

IRRITATION DATA: 25 ppm/5 minute(s) eyes-human mild; 140 ppm/30 minute(s) eyes-rat; 467 ppm/5 minute(s) eyes-mouse; 68 ppm/1 hour(s) eyes-dog

TOXICITY DATA: 185 ppm/1 hour(s) inhalation-rat LC50

LOCAL EFFECTS:

Corrosive: inhalation, skin, eye

ACUTE TOXICITY LEVEL:

Highly Toxic: inhalation

MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE: respiratory disorders

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ECOTOXICITY DATA:

PHYTOTOXICITY: >60000 ug/L 4 week(s) EC50 (Growth) Duckweed (Lemna minor)

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): P056.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101:

PROPER SHIPPING NAME: Fluorine, compressed

ID NUMBER: UN1045

HAZARD CLASS OR DIVISION: 2.3

LABELING REQUIREMENTS: 2.3; 5.1; 8

QUANTITY LIMITATIONS:

PASSENGER AIRCRAFT OR RAILCAR: Forbidden

CARGO AIRCRAFT ONLY: Forbidden

ADDITIONAL SHIPPING DESCRIPTION: Toxic-Inhalation Hazard Zone A



CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS:

SHIPPING NAME: Fluorine, compressed

UN NUMBER: UN1045

CLASS: 2.3; 5.1; 8

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. REGULATIONS:

CERCLA SECTIONS 102a/103 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 302.4):

FLUORINE: 10 LBS RQ

SARA TITLE III SECTION 302 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355 Subpart B):

FLUORINE: 500 LBS TPQ

SARA TITLE III SECTION 304 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355 Subpart C):

FLUORINE: 10 LBS RQ

SARA TITLE III SARA SECTIONS 311/312 HAZARDOUS CATEGORIES (40 CFR 370 Subparts B and C):

ACUTE: Yes

CHRONIC: Yes

FIRE: Yes

REACTIVE: Yes

SUDDEN RELEASE: Yes

SARA TITLE III SECTION 313 (40 CFR 372.65):

FLUORINE

OSHA PROCESS SAFETY (29 CFR 1910.119):

FLUORINE: 1000 LBS TQ

STATE REGULATIONS:

California Proposition 65: Not regulated.

CANADIAN REGULATIONS:

WHMIS CLASSIFICATION: ACD1EF

NATIONAL INVENTORY STATUS:

U.S. INVENTORY (TSCA): Listed on inventory.

TSCA 12(b) EXPORT NOTIFICATION: Not listed.

CANADA INVENTORY (DSL/NDSL): Not determined.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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