Material Safety Data Sheet

acc. to OSHA and ANSI

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1 Identification of substance:

Product details:

Product name: Glycerol

Stock number: 31549

Manufacturer/Supplier:

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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#)

glycerol (CAS# 56-81-5); 100%

Identification number(s):

EINECS Number: 200-289-5

3 Hazards identification

Hazard description: Xi Irritant

Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment

R 36 Irritating to eyes.

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)
Health (acute effects) = 0
Flammability = 1
Reactivity = 1
4 First aid measures

- **After inhalation**
  
  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.

5 Fire fighting measures

- **Suitable extinguishing agents**
  
  Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

- **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:**

  Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).

- **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:**

  No special measures required.

- **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 alkalies (caustic solutions). Store away from oxidizing agents.

• **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:**

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<th>Unit</th>
<th>Limit Value</th>
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<td>Glycerin mist</td>
<td>mg/m³</td>
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<td>OSHA PEL</td>
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<td>5 (respirable fraction)</td>
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• **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. Avoid contact with the eyes. Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

• 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: Viscous

• Color: Light yellow
• Odor: Odorless

• Change in condition

• Melting point/Melting range: 20 °C

• Boiling point/Boiling range: 182/20mm °C

• Sublimation temperature / start: Not determined

• Flash point: 160 °C

• Ignition temperature: 400 °C

• Decomposition temperature: Not determined

• Danger of explosion:

  Product does not present an explosion hazard.

• Explosion limits:
- **Lower:** 0.9 Vol %

- **Upper:** Not determined

- **Vapor pressure:** at 20 °C <0.1 hPa

- **Density:** at 20 °C 1.26 g/cm³

- **Solubility in / Miscibility with Water:** Fully miscible

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### 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:**

- **Dangerous reactions** No dangerous reactions known

- **Dangerous products of decomposition:** Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

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### 11 Toxicological information
- **Acute toxicity:**

  **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

  Oral: LD50: 4090 mg/kg (mus)
  LD50: 12600 mg/kg (rat)
  Inhalative: LC50/1H: >570 ppm/1H (rat)

- **Primary irritant effect:**

  - **on the skin:** Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.
  - **on the eye:** Irritating effect.

- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.

- **Subacute to chronic toxicity:**

  Glycerol is generally low in hazards. Inhalation of mists may cause respiratory irritation. Prolonged exposure may cause headache, nausea and vomiting.

- **Additional toxicological information:**

  To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.
  No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

- **Ecological information:**

- **General notes:**
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.

  - **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

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:** Xi Irritant

- **Risk phrases:** 36 Irritating to eyes.

- **Safety phrases:**

  26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
36 Wear suitable protective clothing.

- **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.

- **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 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:** Darrell R. Sanders
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