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#### Section I - Product Identification

An aqueous solution of chromic acid.

#### **Section III - Hazards Identification**

Overview: May be harmful if swallowed. May be irritating to skin eyes and respiratory tract.

#### **Safety Ratings**

Health: Severe Flammability: None Reactivity: Reactive Contact: Hazardous

Recommended safety equipment: safety goggles, lab coat and proper gloves

Storage: General storage

NFPA Ratings

Health = 3 Flammability = 0 Reactivity = 2

## **Potential Health Effects**

Chromic acid is a carcinogen and should be handled with care. It is also a strong oxidizer that will cause tissue damage and severe ulcers on contact with skin or eyes.

*Inhalation:* Extremely corrosive to mucous membranes and other structures in the respiratory tract. Will cause pulmonary edema.

Ingestion: Can cause severe burns to mouth, esophagus and stomach. Also causes nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, etc.

Skin contact. Can cause burns and ulceration.

Eye contact: Even brief contact can cause severe damage.

Chronic Exposure: Unknown.

Aggravation of preexisting conditions: Unknown.

### **Section III - Composition/Information on Components**

Ingredients	CAS#	OSHA Pel	ACGIH TLV	%
Chromic acid	7738-94-5	0.1 mg/m3 (CrO3) Ceil	0.05 mg/m3 (Cr) TWA	5% w/v

#### Section IV - First Aid Measures

*Inhalation:* Because of the low vapor pressure, inhalation is unlikely to be a problem with this product. In case of difficulty, remove from source of exposure and get immediate medical attention. Be prepared to assist breathing.

*Ingestion*: Do not induce vomiting. If the victim is conscious administer large quantities of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Skin Contact: Wash affected area with soap and water. Get medical advice if irritation develops.

Eye Contact: Rinse thoroughly with running water. Get immediate medical attention.



#### **Section V - Fire Fighting Measures**

Flash point:: Not applicable.

Flammable Limits: Not applicable. Fire: Not normally a fire Hazard.

Explosion: Not Normally an explosion hazards.

Fire Extinguishing Media: Any means suitable for surrounding fire.

Special information: Pyrolysis will release corrosive oxides of chromium.

#### Section VI - Accidental Release Measures

Absorb with a suitable absorbent and store in a suitable container for disposal.

#### Section VII - Handling and Storage

Store in a closed container, protected from freezing.

#### Section VIII - Exposure Control/Personal Protection

Airborne Exposure Limits: See section III.

Ventilation System: Usually not required. When required, Refer to the ACGIH document, "Industrial Ventilation, a Manual of Recommended Practices" for details about ventilation.

Personal Respirator: Usually not required. In case of emergency, or when exposure levels are unknown, use a positive pressure, full face piece, air supplied respirator.

Skin protection: Protective gloves are recommended as part of good laboratory practice.

Eye Protection: Laboratory safety goggles or similar products are recommended as part of good laboratory practice.

#### Section IX - Physical and Chemical Properties

Boiling Point: 102°C

Vapor pressure (mm Hg): 18 @ 20°C

Vapor Density (air = 1): 0.6

Appearance and Odor: A clear, dark red liquid.

Density: 1.05 g/ml

Evaporation Rate (water = 1): 1

Solubility: Infinitely miscible with water

#### Section X - Stability and Reactivity

Stability: Freezes at low temperature.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Nothing unusual.

Hazardous polymerization: Will not occur.

Incompatibilities: Nothing unusual.

Conditions to avoid: Excessive cold/heat and light.

#### **Section XI - Toxicological Information**

None relating to normal exposure.

Cancer lists

<u>Ingredient</u> <u>Known Carcinogenicity?</u> <u>Anticipated?</u> <u>IARC Category</u>

Chromic Acid Yes No 1

# **Section XII - Ecological Information**

Environmental Fate: Not biodegradable. Environmental Toxicity: Toxic to marine life.

#### **Section XIII - Disposal Considerations**

Local governments usually restrict the amounts of chromium compounds that may be flushed down drain. Insure compliance with all government regulation

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## **Section XIV - Transportation Information**

DOT Shipping name: Chromic acid solution DOT Hazard Label: Corrosive

Hazard Class: 8 Packing Group: II DOT Identification Number: UN1755

# Section XV - Regulatory Information

## **Chemical Inventory Status**

IngredientTSCAECChromic AcidYesYes

## Federal, State and International Regulations

SARA 302 SARA 313 RCRA TSCA

Chemical Weapons Convention: No, TSCA 12(b): Yes, CDTA: Yes

SARA 311/312: Acute: Yes, Chronic: Yes, Fire: Yes

#### **Section XVI - Other Information**

This information is believed to be correct but is not waranteed as such, nor does it purport to be all inclusive.

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