

FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC.

Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Cobalt Chloride

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SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Cobalt chloride

Synonym: Cobalt (II) chloride, Cobaltous chloride, Cobalt dichloride

CAS#: 7791-13-1

SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Damp, red crystal. Odorless.

Cobalt chloride, as a solid, is a known human carcinogen (IARC-1).

Irritant to body tissues. Moderately toxic by ingestion. Prolonged exposure may cease production of red blood cells. Avoid ingestion, inhalation, and skin absorption.

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Health-3

Flammability-0

Reactivity-0

Exposure-3

Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Rinse mouth. Give large quantities of water for dilution. Call a physician or poison control at once.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable solid.

When heated to decomposition, emits toxic hydrogen chloride gas and cobalt fumes.

Fire Fighting Instructions: Use a triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.

NFPA CODE

None

established

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Gather up material in a pile (do not sweep). Place in a suitable container and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #2. Store with acetates, halides, sulfates, sulfites, thiosulfates, and phosphates. Store in a cool, dry place. Use and dispense in a hood.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and a chemical-resistant apron. Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire). Exposure guidelines: TWA 0.05 mg/m³ (as Co) (NIOSH)

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Damp, red crystal. Odorless.

Solubility: Water soluble.

Formula: $\text{CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Formula weight: 237.95

Melting point: 110 °C

Specific gravity: 1.92

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with moisture, oxidizers, and alkali metals.

Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Toxic, irritant, and possible sensitizer.

Chronic effects: Possible carcinogen, and mutagen.

Target organs: N.A.

ORL-RAT LD₅₀: 766 mg/KgIHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A.SKN-RBT LD₅₀: N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #27f is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Not regulated

Hazard class: N/A

UN number: N/A

N/A = Not applicable

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (231-589-4).

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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