

FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC.

Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Acetic Anhydride

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SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Acetic Anhydride

Synonyms: acetic oxide, acetyl ether

CAS#: 108-24-7

SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Colorless liquid with pungent vinegar-like odor.

Corrosive, a lachrymator, and moderately toxic by ingestion and inhalation. Slightly toxic by skin absorption. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and mucous membranes. Avoid breathing vapor.

Class II Combustible liquid.

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Health-2

Flammability-2

Reactivity-2

Exposure-3

Storage-3

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

External: Wash continuously with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Give large quantities of water. May also give gastric antacids such as milk of magnesia. Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control at once.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Class II combustible liquid.

Flash Point: 120 °F (Closed Cup) Upper: 10.3% Lower: 2.7% Autoignition Temperature: 601 °F

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

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SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Remove all ignition sources and ventilate area. Contain the spill with sand or other inert absorbent material, neutralize with sodium bicarbonate or calcium hydroxide, and deposit in a sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #1. Store with acids, anhydrides, and peracids. Store away from nitric acid. Store away from any source of water. Should store in a dedicated acid cabinet or Flinn Saf-Cube.

Use and dispense in a hood. Moisture sensitive material.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and 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 5 ppm, OSHA

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Clear, colorless liquid with a pungent vinegar-like odor.
Solubility: Slowly soluble in water. Reacts with water, exothermic
Formula: (CH₃CO)₂O
Formula Weight: 102.09
Vapor Density (Air=1): 3.52 Heavier than air

Boiling Point: 140°C (282°F)
Evaporation Rate (Butyl Alcohol = 1): 0.46
Melting Point: -73°C (-99°F)
Specific Gravity: 1.08 @ 15°C
Vapor Pressure: 4 mm @ 20°C (68 °F)

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with water, mineral acids, oxidizers, and alkalis. Reacts violently (sometimes delayed) with water.
Shelf Life: Good, if stored safely.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: corrosive, lachrymator
Chronic effects: N.A.
Target organs: Respiratory system, eyes and skin

ORL-RAT LD₅₀: 1780 mg/kg
IHL-RAT LC₅₀: 1000 ppm/4hour
SKN-RBT LD₅₀: 4 g/kg

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 consult with state and local regulations.
Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #24a is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping Name: Acetic Anhydride
Hazard Class: 8, Corrosive, Flammable Liquid
UN Number: UN1715
N/A = Not applicable

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (203-564-8). RCRA code D001, D002

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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