



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Magnesium Chloride, Hexahydrate

1. Product Identification

Synonyms: Magnesium chloride; Magnesium chloride, 6-hydrate, crystal

CAS No.: 7791-18-6

Molecular Weight: 203.30

Chemical Formula: MgCl₂.6H₂O

Product Codes: M132

2. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredient	CAS No	Percent	Hazardous
Magnesium Chloride, Hexahydrate	7791-18-6	98 - 100%	Yes

3. Hazards Identification

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

POISON! DANGER! CORROSIVE.

Health Rating: 1 - Slight

Flammability Rating: 0 - None

Reactivity Rating: 1 - Slight

Contact Rating: 1 - Slight

Lab Protective Equip: GOGGLES & SHIELD; LAB COAT & APRON; VENT HOOD; PROPER GLOVES; CLASS B EXTINGUISHER

Storage Color Code: Green (General Storage)

Potential Acute Health Effects:

Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant, permeator), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Inhalation:

Inhalation of dust may cause mild irritation to the mucous membranes.

Ingestion:

Since magnesium salts are slowly absorbed, abdominal pain, vomiting and diarrhea may be the only symptoms. However, if elimination is blocked by bowel blockage or other reasons, CNS depression, lack of reflexes, hypocalcemia (deficiency of calcium in the blood) may occur.

Skin Contact:

No adverse effects expected but may cause minor skin irritation.

Eye Contact:

No adverse effects expected but dust may cause mechanical irritation.

Potential Chronic Health Effects:

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. The substance is toxic to cardiovascular system, upper respiratory tract. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage.

4. First Aid Measures**Inhalation:**

Remove to fresh air. Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

Serious Inhalation:

Not available.

Ingestion:

Give several glasses of water to drink to dilute. If large amounts were swallowed, get medical advice.

Skin Contact:

Remove any contaminated clothing. Wash skin with non-abrasive soap and water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.

Serious Skin Contact:

Not available.

Eye Contact:

Immediately flush eyes with running water for at least 15 minutes, keeping eyelids open. Get medical advice if irritation develops.

Note to Physician:

IV administration of calcium gluconate will partially reverse the effects of acute magnesium toxicity. Ventricular support with calcium chloride infusion and mannitol forced diuresis has also been successful

5. Fire Fighting Measures**Fire:**

Not considered to be a fire hazard.

Explosion:

Not considered to be an explosion hazard. At room temperature the addition of magnesium chloride to furan-2- peroxycarboxylic acid, will cause the acid to explode.

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:

Not available.

Fire Extinguishing Media:

Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

Products of Combustion:

Not available.

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:

Not applicable.

Special Information on Fire Hazards:

Store under nitrogen. When heated to decomposition it emits toxic fumes.

Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:

Not applicable.

Special Information:

In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full face piece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

6. Accidental Release Measures**Small Spill:**

Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

Large Spill:

Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system.

7. Handling and Storage**Precautions:**

Do not ingest. Do not breathe dust. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Keep away from incompatibles such as oxidizing agents.

Storage:

No specific storage is required. Use shelves or cabinets sturdy enough to bear the weight of the chemicals. Be sure that it is not necessary to strain to reach materials, and that shelves are not overloaded.

8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**Airborne Exposure Limits:**

None established.

Ventilation System:

A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures as low as possible. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area. Please refer to the ACGIH document, Industrial Ventilation, A Manual of Recommended Practices, most recent edition, for details.

Engineering Controls:

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

Personal Protection:

Safety glasses. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:

Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self-contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

Personal Respirators:

For conditions of use where exposure to dust or mist is apparent and engineering controls are not feasible, a particulate respirator (NIOSH type N95 or better filters) may be worn. If oil particles (e.g. lubricants, cutting fluids, glycerine, etc.) are present, use a NIOSH type R or P filter. For emergencies or instances where the exposure levels are not known, use a full-face positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator. WARNING: Air purifying respirators do not protect workers in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.

Skin Protection:

Wear protective gloves and clean body-covering clothing.

Eye Protection:

Use chemical safety goggles. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties**Appearance:**

Colorless flakes or crystals.

Odor:

Odorless.

Solubility:

167g/100ml water @ 20C (68F)

Density:

1.57.

pH:

5% in water is neutral to litmus.

% Volatiles by volume @ 21C (70F):

0.

Boiling Point:

Not applicable.

Melting Point:

118C (244F).

Vapor Density (Air=1):

No information found.

Vapor Pressure (mm Hg):

No information found.

Molecular Weight:

203.30

Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):

No information found.

10. **Stability and Reactivity**

Stability:

Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage. By strong ignition is converted into oxychloride.

Conditions to Avoid:

Heat, moisture, incompatibles.

Conditions of Instability:

Not available.

Incompatibilities:

Furan-2-peroxycarboxylic acid. Strong oxidizing agents will release chlorine.

Hazardous Decomposition

When heated to decomposition it emits corrosive hydrochloric acid vapor. When heated to temperatures above 300C (572F) it emits toxic fumes of chlorine gas.

Special Remarks on Reactivity:

Not available.

Corrosivity:

Non-corrosive in presence of glass.

Hazardous Polymerization:

Will not occur.

11. **Toxicological Information**

Routes of Entry:

Absorbed through skin. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

Toxicity to Animals:

Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 8100 mg/kg [Rat.].

Chronic Effects on Humans:

The substance is toxic to cardiovascular system, upper respiratory tract.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans:

Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant, permeator), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:

Not available.

Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:

Material is irritating to mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.

12. **Ecological Information**

Ecotoxicity:

Not available

Products of Biodegradation:

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:

The products of degradation are more toxic.

13. **Disposal Considerations**

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be handled as hazardous waste and sent to a RCRA approved waste facility. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

Waste Disposal:

14. **Transport Information**

DOT Classification:

Not a DOT controlled material.

Identification:

Not applicable

Special Provisions for Transport:

Not available.

Protective Equipment:

Gloves (impervious). Synthetic apron. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Splash goggles.

15. **Other Information**

NFPA Ratings: Health: **1** Flammability: **0** Reactivity: **0**

Label Hazard Warning:

CAUTION! MAY BE HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED.

Label Precautions:

Keep container closed.

Wash thoroughly after handling.

Label First Aid:

If swallowed, give large amounts of water to drink. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention.

Product Use:

Laboratory Reagent.

Revision Information:

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