



Material Safety Data Sheet

HAZARD WARNINGS	RISK PHRASES	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING
	CARCINOGEN. MINIMIZE EXPOSURE. POSSIBLE MUTAGEN. MINIMIZE EXPOSURE. Light sensitive.	

Section I. Chemical Product and Company Identification

Chemical Name	L-Ascorbic Acid		
Catalog Number	A0537	Supplier	TGI America 9211 N. Harborage St. Portland OR 1-800-423-8616
Synonym	Vitamin C		
Chemical Formula	C ₆ H ₈ O ₆		
CAS Number	50-81-7	In case of Emergency Call	Chemtrec® (800) 424-9300 (U.S.) (703) 527-3887 (International)

Section II. Composition and Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Percent (%)	TLV/PEL	Toxicology Data
L-Ascorbic Acid	50-81-7	Min. 99.0 (T)	This chemical is classified as a carcinogen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a carcinogen. This compound is classified as a possible mutagen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a mutagen.	Rat LD ₅₀ (oral) 11,900 mg/kg

Section III. Hazards Identification

Acute Health Effects	No specific information is available in our data base regarding the toxic effects of this material for humans. However, exposure to any chemical should be kept to a minimum. Skin and eye contact may result in irritation. May be harmful if inhaled or ingested. Always follow safe industrial hygiene practices and wear proper protective equipment when handling this compound. Follow safe industrial hygiene practices and always wear proper protective equipment when handling this compound.
Chronic Health Effects	CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS : Carcinogenic by RTECS criteria MUTAGENIC EFFECTS : Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS : Tumorigenic Effects. Rat TDLo Oral 1802500 mg/kg/103 weeks continuous TOXIC Effects: Tumorigenic - Carcinogenic by RTECS criteria Blood - Leukemia DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Reproductive Effects. Mouse TDLo Intraperitoneal 6680 mg/kg, female 11 days of pregnancy TOXIC Effects: Specific Developmental Abnormalities - Central nervous system Specific Developmental Abnormalities - Musculoskeletal system Guinea Pig TDLo Oral 5800 mg/kg, female 1-58 days of pregnancy TOXIC Effects: Effects on Newborn - Stillbirth Effects on Newborn - Viability index Rat TDLo Oral 2500 mg/kg, female 1-22 days of pregnancy

Section IV. First Aid Measures

Eye Contact	Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention.
Inhalation	If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, oxygen can be administered. Seek medical attention if respiration problems do not improve.
Ingestion	INDUCE VOMITING by sticking finger in throat. Lower the head so that the vomit will not reenter the mouth and throat. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Examine the lips and mouth to ascertain whether the tissues are damaged, a possible indication that the toxic material was ingested; the absence of such signs, however, is not conclusive.

Section V. Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability	May be combustible at high temperature.	Auto-Ignition	Not available.
Flash Points	Not available.	Flammable Limits	Not available.
Combustion Products	These products are toxic carbon oxides (CO, CO ₂).		
Fire Hazards	Not available.		
Explosion Hazards	Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.		
Fire Fighting Media and Instructions	SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. DO NOT use water jet. Consult with local fire authorities before attempting large scale fire-fighting operations.		


Section VI. Accidental Release Measures

Spill Cleanup Instructions	Carcinogenic material. Possibly mutagenic material. Light sensitive material. Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning the spill by rinsing any contaminated surfaces with copious amounts of water. Consult federal, state, and/or local authorities for assistance on disposal.
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Section VII. Handling and Storage

Handling and Storage Information	CARCINOGEN. POSSIBLE MUTAGEN. LIGHT SENSITIVE. Keep away from heat. Mechanical exhaust required. When not in use, tightly seal the container and store in a dry, cool place. Avoid excessive heat and light. Do not breathe dust.
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Section VIII. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

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	Splash goggles. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product. Be sure to use a MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator or equivalent.
	
Exposure Limits	This chemical is classified as a carcinogen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a carcinogen. This compound is classified as a possible mutagen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a mutagen.

Section IX. Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state @ 20°C	Solid. (White Crystal)	Solubility	one gram dissolves in about 3ml water, 30 ml alcohol, 50ml absolute alcohol, 100ml glycerol, 20ml propylene glycol. Soluble in water: 80% at 100°; 40% at 25°. Insoluble in ether, chloroform, benzene, petroleum ether, oils, fats, fat solvents.
Specific Gravity	1.65 (water=1)	Partition Coefficient	Not available.
Molecular Weight	176.12	Vapor Pressure	Not applicable.
Boiling Point	Not available.	Vapor Density	Not available.
Melting Point	190 to 192°C (374 to 377.6°F)	Volatility	Not available.
Refractive Index	Not available.	Odor	Not available.
Critical Temperature	Not available.	Taste	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.		

Section X. Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability	This material is stable if stored under proper conditions. (See Section VII for instructions)
Conditions of Instability	Avoid excessive heat and light.
Incompatibilities	Reactive with strong oxidizing agents.

Section XI. Toxicological Information

RTECS Number	CI7650000
Routes of Exposure	Eye Contact. Ingestion. Inhalation.
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Section XII. Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity	Not available.
Environmental Fate	Not available.

Section XIII. Disposal Considerations

Waste Disposal	Recycle to process, if possible. Consult your local regional authorities. You may be able to dissolve or mix material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber system. Observe all federal, state and local regulations when disposing of the substance.
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Section XIV. Transport Information

DOT Classification	Not a DOT controlled material (United States).
PIN Number	Not applicable.
Proper Shipping Name	Not applicable.
Packing Group (PG)	Not applicable.
DOT Pictograms	

Section XV. Other Regulatory Information and Pictograms

TSCA Chemical Inventory (EPA)	This compound is ON the EPA Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory list.
WHMIS Classification (Canada)	CLASS D-2B: Material causing other toxic effects (TOXIC). On DSL
EINECS Number (EEC)	200-066-2
EEC Risk Statements	R45- May cause cancer. R46- May cause heritable genetic damage. R47- May cause birth defects. R62- Possible risk of impaired fertility. R63- Possible risk of harm to unborn child.
Japanese Regulatory Data	ENCS No. 5-62

Section XVI. Other Information**Version 1.0****Validated on 11/9/2007.****Printed 11/9/2007.****Notice to Reader**

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