1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

- **Product name**: β-Carotene
- **Product Number**: C9750
- **Brand**: Sigma

**Supplier**
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- **Preparation Information**: Sigma-Aldrich Corporation
Product Safety - Americas Region
1-800-521-8956

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Emergency Overview**

- **OSHA Hazards**: No known OSHA hazards
- Not a dangerous substance according to GHS.

**HMIS Classification**

- **Health hazard**: 0
- **Flammability**: 1
- **Physical hazards**: 0

**NFPA Rating**

- **Health hazard**: 0
- **Fire**: 1
- **Reactivity Hazard**: 0

**Potential Health Effects**

- **Inhalation**: May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.
- **Skin**: May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.
- **Eyes**: May cause eye irritation.
- **Ingestion**: May be harmful if swallowed.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**Synonyms**

- β,β-Carotene
- Provitamin A

**Formula**

- $C_{40}H_{56}$

**Molecular Weight**

- 536.87 g/mol

**CAS-No.** | **EC-No.**  | **Index-No.** | **Concentration**
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β,β-Carotene | 7235-40-7 | 230-636-6 | -
4. FIRST AID MEASURES

If inhaled
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

In case of skin contact
Wash off with soap and plenty of water.

In case of eye contact
Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Conditions of flammability
Not flammable or combustible.

Suitable extinguishing media
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters
Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

Hazardous combustion products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions
Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas.

Environmental precautions
Do not let product enter drains.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

Conditions for safe storage
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Recommended storage temperature: -20 °C
Handle and store under inert gas. Air and light sensitive. Keep in a dry place.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection
Respiratory protection is not required. Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Hand protection
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove’s outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.
Eye protection
Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin and body protection
Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place,. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Hygiene measures
General industrial hygiene practice.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance
- Form: powder
- Colour: no data available

Safety data
- pH: no data available
- Melting point/freezing point: Melting point/range: 178 - 179 °C (352 - 354 °F)
- Boiling point: no data available
- Flash point: 103.3 °C (217.9 °F) - closed cup
- Ignition temperature: 307 °C (585 °F)
- Autoignition temperature: no data available
- Lower explosion limit: no data available
- Upper explosion limit: no data available
- Vapour pressure: no data available
- Density: 1.000 g/cm3 at 20 °C (68 °F)
- Water solubility: no data available
- Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water: no data available
- Relative vapour density: no data available
- Odour: no data available
- Odour Threshold: no data available
- Evaporation rate: no data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability
Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions
no data available

Conditions to avoid
no data available

Materials to avoid
acids, Strong oxidizing agents
Hazardous decomposition products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides
Other decomposition products - no data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

Oral LD50
LD50 Oral - rat - > 5,000 mg/kg

Inhalation LC50
no data available

Dermal LD50
no data available

Other information on acute toxicity
no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - rabbit - No skin irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - rabbit - No eye irritation

Respiratory or skin sensitization
no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity
no data available

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity

no data available

Teratogenicity

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)
no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)
no data available

Aspiration hazard
no data available

Potential health effects

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Eyes
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Signs and Symptoms of Exposure
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Synergistic effects
no data available

Additional Information
RTECS: FI0329500

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity
Toxicity to fish LC50 - Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - > 10,000 mg/l - 96 h

Persistence and degradability
no data available

Bioaccumulative potential
no data available

Mobility in soil
no data available

PBT and vPvB assessment
no data available

Other adverse effects
no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)
Not dangerous goods

IMDG
Not dangerous goods

IATA
Not dangerous goods

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Hazards
No known OSHA hazards

SARA 302 Components
SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

SARA 313 Components
SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

SARA 311/312 Hazards
No SARA Hazards

Massachusetts Right To Know Components
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.
Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

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California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Further information
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