1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name
Nitric acid, Trace Metal Grade
Cat No.
A509-212; A509-500; A509P212; A509P500; A509SK212
Synonyms
Azotic acid; Engraver's acid; Aqua fortis
Recommended Use
Laboratory chemicals
Company
Fisher Scientific
One Reagent Lane
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
Tel: (201) 796-7100
Emergency Telephone Number
CheMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
CheMTREC®, Outside the USA: 703-527-3887

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

DANGER!

Emergency Overview
Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. Causes severe burns by all exposure routes. May cause pulmonary edema.

Appearance
Clear Colorless, Light yellow
Physical State
Liquid
odor
strong Acrid

Target Organs
Eyes, Respiratory system, Skin, Teeth, Kidney, Gastrointestinal tract (GI)

Potential Health Effects

Acute Effects
Principle Routes of Exposure

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<th>Route</th>
<th>Effect</th>
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<td>Eyes</td>
<td>Causes severe burns. May cause blindness or permanent eye damage.</td>
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<td>Skin</td>
<td>Causes severe burns. May be harmful in contact with skin.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Inhalation</td>
<td>Causes severe burns. May cause pulmonary edema. May be harmful if inhaled.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ingestion</td>
<td>Ingestion causes burns of the upper digestive and respiratory tract. May be harmful if swallowed.</td>
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Chronic Effects

Chronic exposure to corrosive fumes/gases may cause erosion of the teeth followed by jaw necrosis. Bronchial irritation with chronic cough and frequent attacks of pneumonia are common. Gastrointestinal disturbances may also be seen. May cause adverse kidney effects. Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.
See Section 11 for additional Toxicological information.

Aggravated Medical Conditions  Preexisting eye disorders. Skin disorders.

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Eye Contact**
Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Skin Contact**
Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Inhalation**
Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with a respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Ingestion**
Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

**Notes to Physician**
Treat symptomatically.

### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flash Point**
- **Method**
  No information available.
- **Not applicable**

**Autoignition Temperature**
No information available.

**Explosion Limits**
- **Upper**
  No data available
- **Lower**
  No data available

**Suitable Extinguishing Media**
Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**
No information available.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**
No information available.

**Sensitivity to mechanical impact**
No information available.

**Sensitivity to static discharge**
No information available.

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical
Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. Corrosive Material. Causes severe burns by all exposure routes. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.
Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters
As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

Environmental Precautions
Should not be released into the environment.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up
Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable and closed containers for disposal. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling
Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Do not breathe vapors/dust. Do not ingest. Contents under pressure.

Storage
Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Do not store near combustible materials.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Measures
Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Exposure Guidelines

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NIOSH IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/face Protection
Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN 166.

Skin and body protection
Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

| Physical State | Liquid |
| Appearance     | Clear Colorless, Light yellow |
| odor           | strong Acid |
| Odor Threshold | No information available. |
| pH             | 1.0 (0.1M) |
| Vapor Pressure | 0.94 kPa (20°C) |
| Vapor Density  | No information available. |
| Viscosity      | No information available. |
| Boiling Point/Range | 120.5°C / 248.9°F |
| Melting Point/Range | -41°C / -41.8°F |
| Decomposition temperature | No information available. |
| Flash Point    | Not applicable |
| Evaporation Rate | No information available. |
| Specific Gravity | 1.40 |
| Solubility     | No information available. |
| log Pow        | No data available |
| Molecular Weight | 63.02 |
| Molecular Formula | HNO₃ |

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability
Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire.

Conditions to Avoid

Incompatible Materials
Strong bases, Reducing agents, Organic materials, Aldehydes, Alcohols, Cyanides, Metals, Powdered metals, Ammonia

Hazardous Decomposition Products
Nitrogen oxides (NOx)

Hazardous Polymerization
Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Hazardous Reactions
None under normal processing.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Component Information
Component | LD50 Oral | LD50 Dermal | LC50 Inhalation
---|---|---|---
Nitric acid | Not listed | Not listed | 130 mg/m³ (Rat) 4 h
| | | 7 mg/L (Rat) 1 h
Water | 90 mL/kg (Rat) | Not listed | Not listed

Irritation
Causes severe burns by all exposure routes

Toxicologically Synergistic Products
No information available.

Chronic Toxicity

Carcinogenicity
There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

Sensitization
No information available.

Mutagenic Effects
No information available.

Reproductive Effects
Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.

Developmental Effects
No information available.

Teratogenicity
Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

Other Adverse Effects
See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

Endocrine Disruptor Information
No information available

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity
Do not empty into drains.

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Persistence and Degradability
No information available

Bioaccumulation/Accumulation
No information available

Mobility

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13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Methods
Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.
14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**DOT**

- **UN-No**: UN2031
- **Proper Shipping Name**: NITRIC ACID
- **Hazard Class**: 8
- **Subsidiary Hazard Class**: 5.1
- **Packing Group**: II

**TDG**

- **UN-No**: UN2031
- **Proper Shipping Name**: NITRIC ACID
- **Hazard Class**: 8
- **Subsidiary Hazard Class**: 5.1
- **Packing Group**: II

**IATA**

- **UN-No**: UN2031
- **Proper Shipping Name**: NITRIC ACID
- **Hazard Class**: 8
- **Subsidiary Hazard Class**: 5.1
- **Packing Group**: II

**IMDG/IMO**

- **UN-No**: UN2031
- **Proper Shipping Name**: NITRIC ACID
- **Hazard Class**: 8
- **Subsidiary Hazard Class**: 5.1
- **Packing Group**: II

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists:

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Legend:

- X - Listed
E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.
F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.
N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.
P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance
R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.
S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule
T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.
XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B).
Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.
Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b)  Not applicable

SARA 313

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SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization

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Clean Water Act

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Clean Air Act

Not applicable

OSHA

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CERCLA

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

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California Proposition 65
This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

State Right-to-Know

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U.S. Department of Transportation
Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y
DOT Marine Pollutant  N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant  N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
This product contains the following DHS chemicals:

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Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade
No information available

Canada
This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

WHMIS Hazard Class
C Oxidizing materials
E Corrosive material

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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End of MSDS