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Material Safety Data Sheet

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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	Emergency Telephone Number
Fisher Scientific	CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-
One Reagent Lane	424-9300
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410	CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 703-
Tel: (201) 796-7100	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

Eyes

Causes severe burns. May cause blindness or permanent eye damage.

Skin

Causes severe burns. May be harmful in contact with skin.

Inhalation

Causes severe burns. May cause pulmonary edema. May be harmful if inhaled.

Ingestion

Ingestion causes burns of the upper digestive and respiratory tract. May be harmful if swallowed.

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

Haz/Non-haz

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	65 - 70
Water	7732-18-5	30 - 35

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	Not applicable
Method	No information available.
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

NFPA Health 4 Flammability 0 Instability 0 Physical hazards OX

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

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Nitric acid	TWA: 2 ppm STEL: 4 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 2 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 5 mg/m ³ (Vacated) STEL: 10 mg/m ³ (Vacated) STEL: 4 ppm TWA: 2 ppm TWA: 5 mg/m ³	IDLH: 25 ppm TWA: 2 ppm TWA: 5 mg/m ³ STEL: 10 mg/m ³ STEL: 4 ppm

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWAEV
Nitric acid	TWA: 2 ppm TWA: 5.2 mg/m ³ STEL: 10 mg/m ³ STEL: 4 ppm	TWA: 2 ppm TWA: 5 mg/m ³ STEL: 10 mg/m ³ STEL: 4 ppm	TWA: 2 ppm TWA: 5 mg/m ³ STEL: 10 mg/m ³ STEL: 4 ppm

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 EN166.

Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respiratory 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 Acrid
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	HNO ₃

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability	Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Combustible material. Excess heat.
Incompatible Materials	Strong bases, Reducing agents, Organic materials, Aldehydes, Alcohols, Cyanides, Metals, Powdered metals, Ammonia
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Nitrogen oxides (NO _x)
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/m ³ (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.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Nitric acid	Not listed	72 mg/L LC50 96 h	Not listed	Not listed

Persistence and Degradability No information available

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available

Mobility .

Component	log Pow
Nitric acid	0
Water	-1.87

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:

International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	CHINA	KECL
Nitric acid	X	X	-	231-714-2	-		X	X	X	X	KE-25911 X
Water	X	X	-	231-791-2	-		X	-	X	X	X

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

Component	CAS-No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	65 - 70	1.0

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	No
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	Yes

Clean Water Act

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Nitric acid	X	1000 lb	-	-

Clean Air Act

Not applicable

OSHA

Component	Specifically Regulated Chemicals	Highly Hazardous Chemicals
Nitric acid	-	TQ: 500 lb

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)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Nitric acid	1000 lb	1000 lb

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

State Right-to-Know

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Nitric acid	X	X	X	X	X

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:

Component	DHS Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standard
Nitric acid	2000 lb STQ

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