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#### Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### **PRODUCT NAME**

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M-DINITROBENZENE

#### **OTHER NAMES**

C6-H4-N2-O4, "benzene, 1, 3-dinitro", "benzene, 1, 3-dinitro", binitrobenzene, "2, 4-dinitrobenzene", "1, 3-dinitrobenzene", "1, 3-dinitrobenzel", meta-dinitrobenzene, dinitrobenzene

#### PROPER SHIPPING NAME

DINITROBENZENES, SOLID

#### **PRODUCT USE**

Organic syntheses; dyes; camphor substitutes.

# **SUPPLIER**

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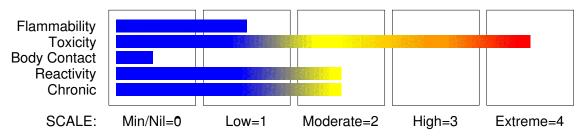
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## **HAZARD RATINGS**



#### **Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

#### **GHS Classification**

Acute Toxicity (Dermal) Category 1

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# **Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Acute Toxicity (Inhalation) Category 2 Acute Toxicity (Oral) Category 2 Chronic Aquatic Hazard Category 1 Organ Damage Category 2 Reproductive Toxicity Category 2







#### **EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

#### **HAZARD**

**DANGER** 

Determined by using GHS criteria: H310 H330 H300 H361 H373 H410

Fatal in contact with skin

Fatal if inhaled

Fatal if swallowed

Suspected of damaging fertility

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

## PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

## Prevention

Wear protective gloves/clothing

Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing

Obtain special instructions before use.

Wear respiratory protection.

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

Use only outdoors or in a well ventilated area.

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

Use personal protective equipment as required.

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

## Response

If exposed or concerned: Get medical attention advice.

IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

Keep container tightly closed.

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

Specific treatment: refer to Label or MSDS.

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing

IF ON SKIN: Gently wash with plenty of soap and water.

Wash/Decontaminate removed clothing before reuse.

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#### Storage

Store locked up.

#### **Disposal**

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with relevant legislation.

# Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS NAME m- dinitrobenzene CAS RN % 99-65-0 >98

#### **Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES**

#### SWALLOWED

- · Give a slurry of activated charcoal in water to drink. NEVER GIVE AN UNCONSCIOUS PATIENT WATER TO DRINK.
- · At least 3 tablespoons in a glass of water should be given.
- · Although induction of vomiting may be recommended (IN CONSCIOUS PERSONS ONLY), such a first aid measure is dissuaded due to the risk of aspiration of stomach contents. (i) It is better to take the patient to a doctor who can decide on the necessity and method of emptying the stomach. (ii) Special circumstances may however exist; these include non-availability of charcoal and the ready availability of the doctor.

NOTE: If vomiting is induced, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.

NOTE: Wear protective gloves when inducing vomiting.

- · REFER FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION WITHOUT DELAY.
- · In the mean time, qualified first-aid personnel should treat the patient following observation and employing supportive measures as indicated by the patient's condition.
- If the services of a medical officer or medical doctor are readily available, the patient should be placed in his/her care and a copy of the MSDS should be provided. Further action will be the responsibility of the medical specialist.
- If medical attention is not available on the worksite or surroundings send the patient to a hospital together with a copy of the MSDS. (ICSC20305/20307).

# **EYE**

If this product comes in contact with the eyes:

- · Immediately hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water.
- Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
- Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.
- · Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.
- · Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

#### SKIN

If skin or hair contact occurs:

- · Immediately flush body and clothes with large amounts of water, using safety shower if available.
- · Quickly remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
- · Wash skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to

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stop by the Poisons Information Centre.

· Transport to hospital, or doctor.

#### **INHALED**

- · If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
- · Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.
- · Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.
- Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.
- · Transport to hospital, or doctor, without delay.

#### **NOTES TO PHYSICIAN**

Symptoms of vasodilation and reflex tachycardia may present following organic nitrate overdose; most organic nitrates are extensively metabolised by hydrolysis to inorganic nitrites. Organic nitrates and nitrites are readily absorbed through the skin, lungs, mucosa and gastro-intestinal tract.

The toxicity of nitrates and nitrites result from their vasodilating properties and their propensity to form methaemoglobin.

- · Most produce a peak effect within 30 minutes.
- · Clinical signs of cyanosis appear before other symptoms because of the dark pigmentation of methaemoglobin.
- · Initial attention should be directed towards improving oxygen delivery, with assisted ventilation, if necessary. Hyperbaric oxygen has not demonstrated conclusive benefits.
- · Institute cardiac monitoring, especially in patients with coronary artery or pulmonary disease.
- · Hypotension should respond to Trendelenburg's position and intravenous fluids; otherwise dopamine may be needed.
- · Naloxone, glucose and thiamine should be given if a multiple ingestion is suspected.
- Decontaminate using Ipecac Syrup for alert patients or lavage for obtunded patients who present within 2-4 hours of ingestion.
- Symptomatic patients with methaemoglobin levels over 30% should receive methylene blue.(Cyanosis alone, is not an indication for treatment). The usual dose is 1-2 mg/kg of a 1% solution (10 mg/ml) IV over 5 minutes; repeat, using the same dose if symptoms of hypoxia fail to subside within 1 hour.

[Ellenhorn and Barceloux: Medical Toxicology]

BIOLOGICAL EXPOSURE INDEX - BEI

These represent the determinants observed in specimens collected from a healthy worker who has been exposed at the Exposure Standard (ES or TLV):

Determinant Index Sampling Time Comments

1. Methaemoglobin in 1.5% of haemoglobin During or end of shift B, NS, SQ blood

B: Background levels occur in specimens collected from subjects NOT exposed NS: Non-specific determinant; also observed after exposure to other materials

SQ: Semi-quantitative determinant - Interpretation may be ambiguous; should be used as a screening test or confirmatory test.

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#### **Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

#### **EXTINGUISHING MEDIA**

- · Foam.
- · Dry chemical powder.
- · BCF (where regulations permit).
- · Carbon dioxide.
- · Water spray or fog Large fires only.

#### **FIRE FIGHTING**

- · Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- · Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- · Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- · Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.
- · Do not approach containers suspected to be hot.
- · Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.
- · If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.
- · Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

#### FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD

WARNING: May EXPLODE on heating!!!.

- · Combustible solid which burns but propagates flame with difficulty.
- · Avoid generating dust, particularly clouds of dust in a confined or unventilated space as dusts may form an explosive mixture with air, and any source of ignition, i.e. flame or spark, will cause fire or explosion. Dust clouds generated by the fine grinding of the solid are a particular hazard; accumulations of fine dust may burn rapidly and fiercely if ignited.
- Dry dust can be charged electrostatically by turbulence, pneumatic transport, pouring, in exhaust ducts and during transport.
- · Build-up of electrostatic charge may be prevented by bonding and grounding.
- · Powder handling equipment such as dust collectors, dryers and mills may require additional protection measures such as explosion venting.
- · All movable parts coming in contact with this material should have a speed of less than 1-meter/sec.

Combustion products include: carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO2), nitrogen oxides (NOx), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material. May emit poisonous fumes.

#### FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

Avoid contamination with oxidising agents i.e. nitrates, oxidising acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

## **Personal Protective Equipment**

Breathing apparatus.
Gas tight chemical resistant suit.
Limit exposure duration to 1 BA set 30 mins.

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#### Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

#### **MINOR SPILLS**

- · Clean up waste regularly and abnormal spills immediately.
- · Avoid breathing dust and contact with skin and eyes.
- · Wear protective clothing, gloves, safety glasses and dust respirator.
- · Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust.
- · Vacuum up or sweep up. NOTE: Vacuum cleaner must be fitted with an exhaust micro filter (HEPA type) (consider explosion-proof machines designed to be grounded during storage and use).
- · Dampen with water to prevent dusting before sweeping.
- · Place in suitable containers for disposal.

#### **MAJOR SPILLS**

- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- · Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- · Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- · Stop leak if safe to do so.
- · Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.
- Collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling.
- · Neutralise/decontaminate residue.
- · Collect solid residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- · Wash area and prevent runoff into drains.
- $\cdot$  After clean up operations, decontaminate and launder all protective clothing and equipment before storing and re-using.
- · If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise emergency services.

# **EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING GUIDELINES (ERPG)**

The maximum airborne concentration below which it is believed that nearly all individuals could be exposed for up to one hour WITHOUT experiencing or developing

life-threatening health effects is:

m-dinitrobenzene 50 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

irreversible or other serious effects or symptoms which could impair an individual's ability to take protective action is:

m-dinitrobenzene 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

other than mild, transient adverse effects without perceiving a clearly defined odour is:

m-dinitrobenzene 3 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

The threshold concentration below which most people will experience no appreciable risk of health effects:

m-dinitrobenzene 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA)

Ingredients considered according to the following cutoffs

Very Toxic (T+) >= 0.1% Toxic (T) >= 3.0%R50 >= 0.25% Corrosive (C) >= 5.0%

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# **Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

R51 >= 2.5% else >= 10%

where percentage is percentage of ingredient found in the mixture

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## SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS













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+: May be stored together

O: May be stored together with specific preventions

X: Must not be stored together

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the MSDS.

#### **Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

#### PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- · Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- · Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- · Use in a well-ventilated area.
- · Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.
- · DO NOT enter confined spaces until atmosphere has been checked.
- · DO NOT allow material to contact humans, exposed food or food utensils.
- · Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- · When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- · Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.
- · Avoid physical damage to containers.
- · Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- · Work clothes should be laundered separately. Launder contaminated clothing before re-use.
- · Use good occupational work practice.
- · Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.
- · Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

#### SUITABLE CONTAINER

Glass container.

- · Lined metal can, lined metal pail/ can.
- · Plastic pail.
- · Polyliner drum.
- · Packing as recommended by manufacturer.
- · Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

All inner and sole packagings for substances that have been assigned to Packaging Groups I or II on the basis of inhalation toxicity criteria, must be hermetically sealed.

## STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

Polynitro derivatives of mono- and poly- cyclic systems are often explosives liable to detonate on grinding or impact. The presence of two or more nitro groups (each with 2 oxygen atoms) on an aromatic nucleus often increase the reactivity of other substituents

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and the tendency towards explosive instability as oxygen balance is approached. In view of the reports of previous violent or explosive reactions, heating of polynitroaryl (particularly di- and tri-nitroaryl) compounds with alkalies, ammonia, or O-ethylsulfuric acid salts, in autoclaves should be avoided. Nitroaromatic and in particular polynitroaromatic compounds may present a severe explosion risk if subjected to shock or heated rapidly and uncontrollably as in fire situations. In addition, when such compounds are heated more moderately with caustic alkalies, even when water or organic solvents are present, there is also a risk of violent decomposition or explosion. Several industrial accidents, which probably were due to such interactions, have occurred; this potential hazard often remains unacknowledged.

A range of exothermic decomposition energies for nitro compounds is given as 220-410 kJ/mol. The relationship between energy of decomposition and processing hazards has been the subject of discussion; it is suggested that values of energy released per unit of mass, rather than on a molar basis (J/g) be used in the assessment. For example, in "open vessel processes" (with man-hole size openings, in an industrial setting), substances with exothermic decomposition energies below 500 J/g are unlikely to present a danger, whilst those in "closed vessel processes" (opening is a safety valve or bursting disk) present some danger where the decomposition energy exceeds 150 J/g. BRETHERICK: Handbook of Reactive Chemical Hazards, 4th Edition

Avoid reaction with oxidising agents, bases and strong reducing agents. Reaction with caustic compounds, metal (tin, zinc) may produce exotherm.

#### STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- · Store in original containers.
- · Keep containers securely sealed.
- · Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- · Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.
- Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- · Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

# Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **EXPOSURE CONTROLS**

The following materials had no OELs on our records

• m- dinitrobenzene: CAS:99- 65- 0

#### **EMERGENCY EXPOSURE LIMITS**

Material Revised IDLH Value (mg/m3) Revised IDLH Value (ppm) m- dinitrobenzene 50

# **MATERIAL DATA**

These "dusts" have little adverse effect on the lungs and do not produce toxic effects or organic disease. Although there is no dust which does not evoke some cellular response at sufficiently high concentrations, the cellular response caused by P.N.O.C.s has the following characteristics:

- · the architecture of the air spaces remain intact,
- · scar tissue (collagen) is not synthesised to any degree,
- · tissue reaction is potentially reversible.

Extensive concentrations of P.N.O.C.s may:

· seriously reduce visibility,

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- · cause unpleasant deposits in the eyes, ears and nasal passages,
- · contribute to skin or mucous membrane injury by chemical or mechanical action, per se, or by the rigorous skin cleansing procedures necessary for their removal. [ACGIH] This limit does not apply:
- · to brief exposures to higher concentrations
- · nor does it apply to those substances that may cause physiological impairment at lower concentrations but for which a TLV has as yet to be determined.

This exposure standard applies to particles which

- · are insoluble or poorly soluble\* in water or, preferably, in aqueous lung fluid (if data is available) and
- have a low toxicity (i.e., are not cytotoxic, genotoxic, or otherwise chemically reactive with lung tissue, and do not emit ionizing radiation, cause immune sensitization, or cause toxic effects other than by inflammation or by a mechanism of lung overload).

## PERSONAL PROTECTION









#### **EYE**

- · Chemical goggles.
- · Full face shield may be required for supplementary but never for primary protection of eyes
- · Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59].

#### HANDS/FEET

Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Factors such as:

- · frequency and duration of contact,
- · chemical resistance of glove material,
- · glove thickness and
- · dexterity.

are important in the selection of gloves.

Elbow length PVC gloves.

# **OTHER**

- · Overalls.
- · Evewash unit.
- · Barrier cream.
- · Skin cleansing cream.

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RESPIRATOR

Protection Factor Half- Face Respirator Full- Face Respirator Powered Air Respirator

10 x ES P1 Air- line\* -- PAPR- P1 - 50 x ES Air- line\*\* P2 PAPR- P2

100 x ES - P3 - Air- line\* -

100+ x ES - Air- line\*\* PAPR- P3

\* - Negative pressure demand \*\* - Continuous flow.

The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required.

For further information consult

your

Occupational Health and Safety Advisor.

#### **ENGINEERING CONTROLS**

- · Local exhaust ventilation is required where solids are handled as powders or crystals; even when particulates are relatively large, a certain proportion will be powdered by mutual friction
- Exhaust ventilation should be designed to prevent accumulation and recirculation of particulates in the workplace.
- · If in spite of local exhaust an adverse concentration of the substance in air could occur, respiratory protection should be considered. Such protection might consist of: (a): particle dust respirators, if necessary, combined with an absorption cartridge;
- (b): filter respirators with absorption cartridge or canister of the right type;
- (c): fresh-air hoods or masks
- · Build-up of electrostatic charge on the dust particle, may be prevented by bonding and grounding.
- · Powder handling equipment such as dust collectors, dryers and mills may require additional protection measures such as explosion venting.

Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to efficiently remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant:

direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)

grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion). Air Speed:

1- 2.5 m/s (200- 500 f/min.)

2.5- 10 m/s (500- 2000 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range

1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture

2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only

3: Intermittent, low production.

Upper end of the range

1: Disturbing room air currents

2: Contaminants of high toxicity

3: High production, heavy use

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4: Large hood or large air mass in motion

4: Small hood- local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 4-10 m/s (800-2000 f/min) for extraction of crusher dusts generated 2 metres distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

## Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

#### APPEARANCE

Orange powder; does not mix well with water (1 gm dissolves in 2000 ml cold water, 320 ml boiling water). Soluble in alcohol (1:37), benzene, chloroform, ethyl acetate. Volatile with steam.

#### **PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

Solid.

Does not mix with water. Sinks in water.

Molecular Weight: 168.11 Melting Range (°C): 88-89

Solubility in water (g/L): Immiscible pH (1% solution): Not applicable Volatile Component (%vol): Negligible

Relative Vapour Density (air=1): Not applicable

Lower Explosive Limit (%): Not available Autoignition Temp (°C): Not available

State: Divided solid

log Kow: 1.49

Boiling Range (°C): 297

Specific Gravity (water=1): 1.368 pH (as supplied): Not applicable Vapour Pressure (kPa): Negligible Evaporation Rate: Not applicable Flash Point (°C): Not available

Upper Explosive Limit (%): Not available Decomposition Temp (°C): Not Available

Viscosity: Not Applicable

# Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY AND REACTIVITY INFORMATION

#### CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- · Presence of incompatible materials.
- · Product is considered stable.
- · Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.

#### Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# **POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS**

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#### Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### **ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS**

#### **SWALLOWED**

Severely toxic effects may result from the accidental ingestion of the material; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 5 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual.

#### EYE

Although the material is not thought to be an irritant (as classified by EC Directives), direct contact with the eye may cause transient discomfort characterised by tearing or conjunctival redness (as with windburn). Slight abrasive damage may also result. The material may produce foreign body irritation in certain individuals.

#### SKIN

Skin contact with the material may produce severely toxic effects; systemic effects may result following absorption and these may be fatal.

The material is not thought to be a skin irritant (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Abrasive damage however, may result from prolonged exposures. Good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable gloves be used in an occupational setting.

Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

# **INHALED**

Inhalation of dusts, generated by the material, during the course of normal handling, may produce severely toxic effects; these may be fatal.

The material is not thought to produce respiratory irritation (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless inhalation of dusts, or fumes, especially for prolonged periods, may produce respiratory discomfort and occasionally, distress.

# **CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS**

Long term exposure to high dust concentrations may cause changes in lung function (i.e. pneumoconiosis) caused by particles less than 0.5 micron penetrating and remaining in the lung. A prime symptom is breathlessness. Lung shadows show on X-ray.

Repeated or long-term occupational exposure is likely to produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical systems.

Exposure to the material may cause concerns for human fertility, on the basis that similar materials provide some evidence of impaired fertility in the absence of toxic effects, or evidence of impaired fertility occurring at around the same dose levels as other toxic effects, but which are not a secondary non-specific consequence of other toxic effects.

May cause reproductive disorders.

Chronic exposure may produce a particular form of methaemoglobinaemia. Repeated or prolonged exposure may produce respiratory tract irritation, anaemia, and liver injury. Visual disturbance may be manifested by reduction in acuity and central scotomatas, particularly for red and green. Retinal haemorrhage has been reported. Anorexia, burning pain and paresthesias in the feet, ankles and forearms, excitation, insomnia, disorientation, memory loss, and convulsions may also occur.

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#### Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### **TOXICITY AND IRRITATION**

TOXICITY IRRITATION
Oral (human) LDLo: 28 mg/kg Nil Reported

Dermal (man) TDLO: 4 mg/kg/2d - I

Oral (rat) LD50: 83 mg/kg Bacterial cell mutagen

Spastic paralysis, changes in motor activity, coma, cyanosis, spermatogenesis, effects on male and female fertility recorded.

#### **Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Algae IC50 (72hr.) (mg/l): log Pow (Verschueren 1983):	0.1- 0.7 1.49
Half- life Soil - High (hours):	4320
Half- life Soil - Low (hours):	672
Half- life Air - High (hours):	720
Half- life Air - Low (hours):	554
Half- life Surface water - High (hours):	720
Half- life Surface water - Low (hours):	554
Half- life Ground water - High (hours):	8640
Half- life Ground water - Low (hours):	48
Aqueous biodegradation - Aerobic - High (hours):	4320
Aqueous biodegradation - Aerobic - Low (hours):	672
Aqueous biodegradation - Anaerobic - High (hours):	300
Aqueous biodegradation - Anaerobic - Low (hours):	48
Aqueous photolysis half- life - High (hours):	720
Aqueous photolysis half- life - Low (hours):	554
Aqueous photolysis half- life - High (hours):	720
Aqueous photolysis half- life - Low (hours):	554
Photooxidation half- life air - High (hours):	2.10E+04
Photooxidation half- life air - Low (hours):	2077

The nitrates are of environmental concern because of their high water solubility and consequent leaching, diffusion, and environmental mobility in soil and water. Nitrate can contaminate groundwater to unacceptable levels. Nitrite is formed from nitrate or ammonium ion by micro-organisms in soil, water, sewage and the alimentary tract. The concern with nitrate in the environment is related to its conversion to nitrite.

Methaemoglobinaemia is caused following exposure to high levels of nitrite and produces difficulties in oxygen transport in the blood. Thousands of cases involving poisoning of infants, particularly in rural areas, have been reported as a result of drinking nitrate rich well-water.

Other concerns deriving from exposure to environmental nitrates relate to the production of nitrosamines following the reaction of food nitrites and secondary amines. Other nitroso-compounds may result following reaction with nitrites and amides, ureas, carbamates and other nitrogenous compounds. Nitrosamines produce liver damage, haemorrhagic lung lesions, convulsions and coma in rats, and teratogenic effects in experimental animals.

The N-nitroso class of compounds include potent carcinogens and mutagens: induction of tumors by single doses of N-nitroso compounds testify to this.

Do NOT allow product to come in contact with surface waters or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when cleaning equipment or disposing

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of equipment wash-waters.

Wastes resulting from use of the product must be disposed of on site or at approved waste

sites.

DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

log Kow: 1.49 Koc: 1.39

Half-life (hr) air: 14-15

BCF: 8.5

Toxicity Fish: LC50(336)1.1mg/L

Bioacculmulation: not sig

Degradation Biological: by soil microflora >64 days

processes Abiotic: RxnOH\*

## **Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- · Recycle wherever possible.
- · Consult manufacturer for recycling options or consult local or regional waste management authority for disposal if no suitable treatment or disposal facility can be identified.
- · Dispose of by: Burial in a licenced land-fill or Incineration in a licenced apparatus (after admixture with suitable combustible material)
- · Decontaminate empty containers. Observe all label safeguards until containers are cleaned and destroyed.
- · Containers may still present a chemical hazard/ danger when empty.
- · Return to supplier for reuse/ recycling if possible.

#### Otherwise:

- · If container can not be cleaned sufficiently well to ensure that residuals do not remain or if the container cannot be used to store the same product, then puncture containers, to prevent re-use, and bury at an authorised landfill.
- · Where possible retain label warnings and MSDS and observe all notices pertaining to the product.

#### **Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**



Labels Required: TOXIC

HAZCHEM: 2X

**UNDG:** 

Dangerous Goods Class: 6.1 Subrisk: None UN Number: 3443 Packing Group: II

Shipping Name:DINITROBENZENES, SOLID

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# **Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

**Air Transport IATA:** 

ICAO/IATA Class: 6.1 ICAO/IATA Subrisk: None UN/ID Number: 3443 Packing Group: II

ERG Code: 6L

Shipping name: DINITROBENZENES, SOLID

**Maritime Transport IMDG:** 

IMDG Class:6.1IMDG Subrisk:NoneUN Number:3443Packing Group:II

EMS Number: F- A, S- A

Shipping name: DINITROBENZENES, SOLID

# **Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

## **REGULATIONS**

m-dinitrobenzene (CAS: 99-65-0) is found on the following regulatory lists; OECD Representative List of High Production Volume (HPV) Chemicals

#### **Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

The above information is believed to be accurate and represent the best information currently available to us, but does not represent any warranty expressed or implied of the properties of the product. User should make their own investigation to determine the suitability of the information for their particular purpose.

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