



# Safety Data Sheet Iron(III) oxide

# **Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification**

Product Name: Iron(III) oxide Contact Information:

Catalog Codes: 534

**CAS#:** 1309-37-1

**RTECS:** N07400000

Synonym: Ferric oxide red

Chemical Name: Not available.

Chemical Formula: Fe2O3

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# **Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients**

#### Composition:

Name	CAS#	% by Weight
Iron(III) oxide	1309-37-1	100

Toxicological Data on Ingredients: Ferric oxide LD50: Not available. LC50: Not available.

#### **Section 3: Hazards Identification**

#### **Potential Acute Health Effects:**

Hazardous in case of ingestion. Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of inhalation.

#### **Potential Chronic Health Effects:**

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. The substance is toxic to lungs, mucous membranes. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage.

#### Section 4: First Aid Measures

Eye Contact: No known effect on eye contact, rinse with water for a few minutes.

#### **Skin Contact:**

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Gently and thoroughly wash the contaminated skin with running water and non-abrasive soap. Be particularly careful to clean folds, crevices, creases and groin. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.

Serious Skin Contact: Not available.

Inhalation: Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Inhalation: Not available.

Ingestion:

Do not induce vomiting. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform

mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Serious Ingestion:** Not available.

## **Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data**

Flammability of the Product: Non-flammable.

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Not applicable.

Flash Points: Not applicable.

Flammable Limits: Not applicable.

Products of Combustion: Not available.

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Not applicable.

#### **Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:**

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: Not applicable.

Special Remarks on Fire Hazards: Not available.

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards: Not available.

#### Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

#### Small Spill:

Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

#### Large Spill:

Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the SDS and with local authorities.

## **Section 7: Handling and Storage**

Precautions: No specific safety phrase has been found applicable for this product.

#### Storage:

No specific storage is required. Use shelves or cabinets sturdy enough to bear the weight of the chemicals. Be sure that it is not necessary to strain to reach materials, and that shelves are not overloaded.

# **Section 8: 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:** Safety glasses. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

#### Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:

Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

#### **Exposure Limits:**

TWA: 5 (mg/m3) from ACGIH [1995] Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

## **Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

Physical state and appearance: Solid.

Odor: Not available.

Taste: Not available.

Molecular Weight: 159.7 g/mole

Color: Not available.

pH (1% soln/water): 6.0-7.0

Boiling Point: Decomposes

Melting Point: 1565°C (2849°F)

Critical Temperature: Not available.

Specific Gravity: 5.24 (Water = 1)

Vapor Pressure: Not applicable.

Vapor Density: Not available.

Volatility: Not available.

Odor Threshold: Not available.

Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.: Not available.
Ionicity (in Water): Not available.
Dispersion Properties: Not available.
Solubility: Insoluble in cold water.

# **Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data**

Stability: The product is stable.

**Instability Temperature:** Not available. **Conditions of Instability:** Not available.

**Incompatibility with various substances:** Not available.

Corrosivity: Non-corrosive in presence of glass.

Special Remarks on Reactivity: Not available.

Special Remarks on Corrosivity: Not available.

Polymerization: No.

## **Section 11: Toxicological Information**

Routes of Entry: Ingestion.

**Toxicity to Animals:** 

LD50: Not available. LC50: Not available.

Chronic Effects on Humans: The substance is toxic to lungs, mucous membranes.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans:

Hazardous in case of ingestion. Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of inhalation.

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available.

Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans: Not available.

# Section 12: Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: Not available.

BOD5 and COD: Not available.

**Products of Biodegradation:** 

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation: The products of degradation are as toxic as the original product.

Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation: Not available.

# **Section 13: Disposal Considerations**

**Waste Disposal:** 

## **Section 14: Transport Information**

**DOT Classification:** Not a DOT controlled material (United States).

Identification: Not applicable.

Special Provisions for Transport: Not applicable.

# Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

Federal and State Regulations:

Pennsylvania RTK: Ferric oxide Massachusetts RTK: Ferric oxide TSCA 8(b) inventory: Ferric oxide

Other Regulations: OSHA: Hazardous by definition of Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

Other Classifications:

WHMIS (Canada): CLASS D-2A: Material causing other toxic effects (VERY TOXIC).

DSCL (EEC):

This product is not classified according to the EU regulations.

HMIS (U.S.A.):

Health Hazard: 1

Fire Hazard: 0
Reactivity: 0

Personal Protection: E

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):

Health: 1

Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 0

Specific hazard:

## **Protective Equipment:**

Gloves. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Safety glasses.

#### **Section 16: Other Information**

References: Not available

Other Special Considerations: Not available

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