

1: Identification

Product identifier

Product name: **Gold etchant**

Stock number: 44584

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.

Identified use: SU24 Scientific research and development

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Manufacturer/Supplier:

Alfa Aesar, A Johnson Matthey Company
Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.
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Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department

Emergency telephone number:

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660. After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

2: Hazard(s) identification

Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

The product is not classified as hazardous to health or the environment according to the CLP regulation.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC Not applicable

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:

The product does not have to be labelled due to the calculation procedure of the "General Classification guideline for preparations of the EU" in the latest valid version.

Hazards not otherwise classified No information known.

Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 Not applicable

Hazard pictograms Not applicable

Signal word Not applicable

Hazard statements Not applicable

WHMIS classification Not controlled

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH 1 Health (acute effects) = 1

FIRE 0 Flammability = 0

REACTIVITY 1 Physical Hazard = 1

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable.

vPvB: Not applicable.

3: Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical characterization: Mixtures

Dangerous components:

7553-56-2	iodine	Xn R20/21; N R50	3.0%
		Acute Tox. 4, H312; Acute Tox. 4, H332	

Additional information None known.

Non-Hazardous Ingredients

7681-11-0	Potassium iodide	43.0%
7732-18-5	Water	54.0%

4: First-aid measures

Description of first aid measures

After inhalation

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.

Seek immediate medical advice.

After skin contact

Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.

Seek immediate medical advice.

After eye contact Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

After swallowing Seek medical treatment.

Information for doctor

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed No further relevant information available.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed No further relevant information available.

5: Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing agents Product is not flammable. Use fire-fighting measures that suit the surrounding fire.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:

Hydrogen iodide (HI)

Potassium oxide

Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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6: Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Environmental precautions:

Do not allow product to reach sewage system or any water course.

Do not allow to penetrate the ground/soil.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up: Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).

Prevention of secondary hazards: No special measures required.

Reference to other sections

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

7: Handling and storage

Handling

Precautions for safe handling

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

Information about protection against explosions and fires: The product is not flammable

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Store away from reducing agents.

Store away from metal powders.

Water reacts with many metals to give hydrogen, often violently. Water is also incompatible with many reactive organic and inorganic chemicals.

Store away from ammonia

Store away from alkali metals.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

Specific end use(s) No further relevant information available.

8: Exposure controls/personal protection

Additional information about design of technical systems:

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Control parameters

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

7681-11-0 Potassium iodide (43.0%)

TLV (USA)	Long-term value: 0.01* ppm *as inhalable fraction and vapor
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7553-56-2 iodine (3.0%)

PEL (USA)	Ceiling limit value: 1 mg/m ³ , 0.1 ppm
REL (USA)	Ceiling limit value: 1 mg/m ³ , 0.1 ppm
TLV (USA)	Short-term value: 1 mg/m ³ , 0.1** ppm Long-term value: 0.1* mg/m ³ , 0.01* ppm *as inhalable fraction and vapor; **vapor
EL (Canada)	Short-term value: C 0.1 ppm

Additional information: No data

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

General protective and hygienic measures

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment: Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Recommended filter device for short term use:

Use a respirator with organic vapor/acid gas cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. Risk assessment should be performed to determine if air-purifying respirators are appropriate. Only use equipment tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (USA) or CEN (EU).

Protection of hands:

Impervious gloves

Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.

The selection of suitable gloves not only depends on the material, but also on quality. Quality will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.

Penetration time of glove material (in minutes) Not determined

Eye protection: Safety glasses

Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9: Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

General Information

Appearance:

Form:	Liquid
Color:	Red-brown
Odor:	Mild
Odor threshold:	Not determined.

pH-value: 6.5-8.0

Change in condition

Melting point/Melting range: Not determined

Boiling point/Boiling range: Not determined

Sublimation temperature / start: Not determined

Flammability (solid, gaseous) Not determined.

Ignition temperature: Not determined

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Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Auto igniting:	Product is not selfigniting.
Danger of explosion:	Not determined.
Explosion limits:	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F):	23 hPa (17 mm Hg)
Density at 20 °C (68 °F):	1.27 g/cm ³ (10.598 lbs/gal)
Relative density	Not determined.
Vapor density	Not determined.
Evaporation rate	Not determined.
Solubility in / Miscibility with	
Water:	Fully miscible
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	Not determined.
Viscosity:	
dynamic:	Not determined.
kinematic:	Not determined.
Solvent content:	
Organic solvents:	0.0 %
Solids content:	46.0 %
Other information	No further relevant information available.

10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity No information known.
Chemical stability Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided: Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.
Possibility of hazardous reactions
 Water reacts with many metals to give hydrogen, often violently. Water is also incompatible with many reactive organic and inorganic chemicals.
 Water reacts violently with alkali metals.
Conditions to avoid No further relevant information available.
Incompatible materials:
 Reducing agents
 Metal powders
 Ammonia
 Alkali metals
Hazardous decomposition products:
 Hydrogen iodide (HI)
 Potassium oxide

11: Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects
Acute toxicity: The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for components in this product.
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:
7553-56-2 iodine

Oral	LD50	22 gm/kg (mouse)
		14 gm/kg (rat)
		10 gm/kg (rabbit)

Skin irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation
Eye irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.
Germ cell mutagenicity: The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains mutation data for components in this product.
Carcinogenicity:
 ACGIH A4: Not classifiable as a human carcinogen: Inadequate data on which to classify the agent in terms of its carcinogenicity in humans and/or animals.
Reproductive toxicity: The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains reproductive data for components in this product.
Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure: No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: No effects known.
Aspiration hazard: No effects known.
Subacute to chronic toxicity: The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains multiple dose toxicity data for this substance.
Additional toxicological information:
 To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.
 The product is not subject to classification according to internally approved calculation methods for preparations.

12: Ecological information

Toxicity
Aquatic toxicity: No further relevant information available.
Persistence and degradability No further relevant information available.
Bioaccumulative potential No further relevant information available.
Mobility in soil No further relevant information available.
Additional ecological information:
General notes:
 Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.
 Avoid transfer into the environment.
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT: Not applicable.
vPvB: Not applicable.
Other adverse effects No further relevant information available.

13: Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods
Recommendation Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.
Uncleaned packagings:
Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
Recommended cleansing agent: Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

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14: Transport information

UN-Number DOT, ADN, IMDG, IATA	Not applicable
UN proper shipping name DOT, ADN, IMDG, IATA	Not applicable
Transport hazard class(es) DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA Class	Not applicable
Packing group DOT, IMDG, IATA	Not applicable
Environmental hazards: Marine pollutant (IMDG):	No
Special precautions for user	Not applicable.
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
Transport/Additional information:	
DOT Marine Pollutant (DOT):	No
UN "Model Regulation":	-

15: Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.
All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)

None of the ingredients are listed.

California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer

None of the ingredients are listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity

None of the ingredients are listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female

None of the ingredients are listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male

None of the ingredients are listed.

Information about limitation of use: For use only by technically qualified individuals.

Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations

Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006.

None of the ingredients are listed.

The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed.

None of the ingredients is listed.

Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)

None of the ingredients is listed.

REACH - Pre-registered substances

All ingredients are listed.

Chemical safety assessment: A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

16: Other information

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing SDS: Global Marketing Department

Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (USA)

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (USA)

NTP: National Toxicology Program (USA)

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency (USA)