

## 1: Identification

### Product identifier

Product name: **Nickel etchant**

Stock number: 44586

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:

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## 2: Hazard(s) identification

### Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008



GHS05 Corrosion

Skin Corr. 1B H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.

### Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC



C; Corrosive

R34: Causes burns.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment: Not applicable

Hazards not otherwise classified No information known.

### Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 The substance is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

### Hazard pictograms



GHS05

### Signal word Danger

#### Hazard statements

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

#### Precautionary statements

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P303+P361+P353 If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P301+P330+P331 IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P405 Store locked up.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

#### WHMIS classification

D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects

E - Corrosive material



### Classification system

#### HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH 2 Health (acute effects) = 2

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: Substances

#### CAS# Description:

Nickel etchant

## 4: First-aid measures

### Description of first aid measures

General information Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.

#### 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.

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**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**

Causes severe skin burns.

Causes serious eye damage.

**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:

Nitrogen oxides (NOx)

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Sulfur oxides (SOx)

Hydrogen fluoride (HF)

**Advice for firefighters**

**Protective equipment:**

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

**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 material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

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).

Use neutralizing agent.

Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

**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.

Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.

**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:**

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

**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:**

Nitric acid

|                     | ppm  |
|---------------------|--|
| ACGIH TLV           | 2; 4-STEL  |
| Austria MAK         | 2  |
| Belgium TWA         | 2; 4-STEL  |
| Denmark TWA         | 2  |
| Finland TWA         | 2; 5-STEL (skin)                                 |
| France VME          | 2; 5-VLE   |
| Germany MAK         | 2  |
| Hungary             | 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> -STEL                        |
| Japan OEL           | 2  |
| Korea TLV           | 2; 4-STEL  |
| Norway TWA          | 2  |
| Poland TWA          | 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ; 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> -STEL |
| Russia TWA          | 2; 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> -STEL (skin)              |
| Sweden NGV          | 2; 5-KTV   |
| United Kingdom LTEL | 2; 4-STEL  |
| USA PEL             | 2  |

**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.

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Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.  
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.  
**Breathing equipment:** Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.  
**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.  
**Eye protection:**  
Tightly sealed goggles  
Full face protection  
**Body protection:** Protective work clothing.

**9: Physical and chemical properties**

**Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

**General Information**

**Appearance:**

**Form:** Liquid  
**Odor:** Not determined  
**Odor threshold:** Not determined.  
**pH-value:** Not determined.

**Change in condition**

**Melting point/Melting range:** Not determined  
**Boiling point/Boiling range:** Not determined  
**Sublimation temperature / start:** Not determined

**Flash point:** Not determined  
**Flammability (solid, gaseous)** Not determined.  
**Ignition temperature:** Not determined  
**Decomposition temperature:** Not determined  
**Auto igniting:** Not determined.

**Danger of explosion:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.

**Explosion limits:**  
**Lower:** Not determined  
**Upper:** Not determined  
**Vapor pressure:** Not determined  
**Density at 20 °C (68 °F):** 1.25 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (10.431 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.  
**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 violently with alkali metals.  
Reacts with alkaline earth metals.  
Water reacts with many metals to give hydrogen, often violently. Water is also incompatible with many reactive organic and inorganic chemicals.  
**Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.  
**Incompatible materials:** No information known.  
**Hazardous decomposition products:**  
Nitrogen oxides  
Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide  
Sulfur oxides (SOx)  
Hydrogen fluoride

**11: Toxicological information**

**Information on toxicological effects**  
**Acute toxicity:** Swallowing will lead to a strong corrosive effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.  
**LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**  
Oral: LDLo: 430 mg/kg (hmn)(HNO3)  
Unreported: LDLo: 110 mg/kg (man)(HNO3)  
**Skin irritation or corrosion:** Causes severe skin burns.  
**Eye irritation or corrosion:** Causes serious eye damage.  
**Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.  
**Germ cell mutagenicity:** No effects known.  
**Carcinogenicity:** No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.  
**Reproductive toxicity:** No effects known.  
**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:**  
Nitric acid is a corrosive oxidizing acid. The liquid causes burns on contact. Eye contact may cause blindness. Vapors are irritating and cause upper respiratory irritation which may be severe. Corrosive to the teeth and digestive tract on ingestion. Dilute solutions have reduced effects.  
**Subacute to chronic toxicity:** No effects known.  
**Additional toxicological information:** To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

**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.

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**Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.

**Additional ecological information:**

**General notes:**

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.  
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.

**14: Transport information**

**UN-Number**

**DOT, IMDG, IATA**

UN3264

**UN proper shipping name**

**DOT**

Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Nitric acid solution)

**IMDG, IATA**

CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (Nitric acid solution)

**Transport hazard class(es)**

**DOT**



**Class**

8 Corrosive substances.

**Label**

8

**Class**

8 (C1) Corrosive substances

**Label**

8

**IMDG, IATA**



**Class**

8 Corrosive substances.

**Label**

8

**Packing group**

**DOT, IMDG, IATA**

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**Environmental hazards:**

Not applicable.

**Special precautions for user**

Warning: Corrosive substances

**Segregation groups**

Acids

**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":**

UN3264, Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Nitric acid solution), 8, III

**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)** Substance is not listed.

**California Proposition 65**

**Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer** Substance is not listed.

**Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity** Substance is not listed.

**Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female** Substance is not listed.

**Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male** Substance is not listed.

**Information about limitation of use:**

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

This product is subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act of 1986 and 40CFR372.

**Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations**

**Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006.** Substance is not 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.**

Substance is not listed.

**Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)** Substance is not listed.

**REACH - Pre-registered substances** Substance is not 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

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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)

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