Material Safety Data Sheet

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Methyl viologen dichloride hydrate

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

OSHA Hazards

Target Organ Effect, Highly toxic by inhalation, Toxic by ingestion, Toxic by skin absorption, Irritant

Target Organs

Kidney, Liver, Cardiovascular system., Central nervous system, Brain., Lungs, Blood

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H301 + H311 Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin.

H315 Causes skin irritation.

H318 Causes serious eye damage. H371 May cause damage to organs. H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)

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

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.

P301 + P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if

present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 4
Chronic Health Hazard: *
Flammability: 0
Physical hazards: 0

NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 4
Fire: 0
Reactivity Hazard: 0

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Potential Health Effects

Inhalation May be fatal if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.

Skin Toxic if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation. May be fatal if absorbed through

skin.

Eyes Causes eye irritation. **Ingestion** Toxic if swallowed.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Gramoxone

1,1'-Dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium dichloride

Paraquat dichloride

Formula : $C_{12}H_{14}Cl_2N_2 \cdot xH_2O$

Molecular Weight : 257.17 g/mol

| CAS-No. | EC-No. Index-No. | | Concentration | | | |
|---------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Paraquat dichloride | | | | | | |
| 1910-42-5 | 217-615-7 | 613-090-00-7 | - | | | |

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing dust. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

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Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Components with workplace control parameters

| Components | CAS-No. | Value | Control parameters | Update | Basis | |
|---------------------|---|-------|--------------------|------------|--|--|
| Paraquat dichloride | 1910-42-5 | TWA | 0.1 mg/m3 | 1989-03-01 | USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000 | |
| Remarks | Skin contact does contribute to exposure. | | | | | |
| | | TWA | 0.5 mg/m3 | 1997-08-04 | USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants | |
| | Skin designa | ition | | | | |

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Hand protection

Handle with gloves.

Eye protection

Face shield and safety glasses

Skin and body protection

Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.

Hygiene measures

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance

Form crystalline
Colour light yellow

Safety data

рН no data available > 300 °C (> 572 °F) Melting point **Boiling point** no data available no data available Flash point Ignition temperature no data available Lower explosion limit no data available Upper explosion limit no data available Water solubility no data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Conditions to avoid

no data available

Materials to avoid

Strong oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Hydrogen chloride gas

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Nature of decomposition products not known.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - rat - 57 mg/kg

Inhalation: Irritating to respiratory system.

LD50 Dermal - rabbit - 325 mg/kg

Remarks: May cause sensitization by skin contact.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - rabbit - Severe eye irritation

Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable,

possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a

carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or

anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a

carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (GHS)

May cause damage to organs.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (GHS)

no data available

Aspiration hazard

no data available

Potential health effects

Inhalation May be fatal if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.

Ingestion Toxic if swallowed.

Skin Toxic if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation. May be fatal if absorbed through skin.

Eyes Causes eye irritation.

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting

Additional Information

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 13 mg/l - 96.0 h

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates.

EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 2.8 mg/l - 48 h

Toxicity to algae mortality NOEC - Chlamydomonas moewusii - 1.93 mg/l - 7 d

Growth inhibition LOEC - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata - 0.227 mg/l - 96 h

Persistence and degradability

no data available

Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

Mobility in soil

no data available

PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

Other adverse effects

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product

Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)

UN-Number: 2811 Class: 6.1 Packing group: I

Proper shipping name: Toxic solids, organic, n.o.s.

Marine pollutant: No

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG

UN-Number: 2811 Class: 6.1 Packing group: I EMS-No: F-A, S-A

Proper shipping name: TOXIC SOLID, ORGANIC, N.O.S.

Marine pollutant: No

IATA

UN-Number: 2811 Class: 6.1 Packing group: I

Proper shipping name: Toxic solid, organic, n.o.s. IATA Passenger: Not permitted for transport

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Hazards

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DSL Status

This product contains the following components that are not on the Canadian DSL nor NDSL lists. CAS-No.

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| Paraquat dichloride | 1910-42-5 | |
|---|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| SARA 302 Components | CAS-No. | Revision Date |
| Paraquat dichloride | 1910-42-5 | 2007-07-01 |
| SARA 313 Components | | |
| Paraquat dichloride | CAS-No. 1910-42-5 | Revision Date 2007-07-01 |
| SARA 311/312 Hazards Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard | | |
| Massachusetts Right To Know Components | | |
| Paraquat dichloride | CAS-No. 1910-42-5 | Revision Date 2007-07-01 |
| Pennsylvania Right To Know Components | | |
| Paraquat dichloride | CAS-No. 1910-42-5 | Revision Date 2007-07-01 |
| New Jersey Right To Know Components | | |
| Paraquat dichloride | CAS-No. 1910-42-5 | Revision Date 2007-07-01 |

California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Further information

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