

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Nitric acid

Product Number : 438073  
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich  
Index-No. : 007-004-00-1

CAS-No. : 7697-37-2

#### 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

#### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich  
3050 Spruce Street  
SAINT LOUIS MO 63103  
USA

Telephone : +1 800-325-5832  
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#### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone # : +1-703-527-3887 (CHEMTREC)

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

##### GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Oxidizing liquids (Category 3), H272  
Corrosive to metals (Category 1), H290  
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 3), H331  
Skin corrosion (Category 1A), H314  
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

#### 2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H272 May intensify fire; oxidizer.  
H290 May be corrosive to metals.  
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
H331 Toxic if inhaled.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 Keep away from heat.  
P220 Keep/Store away from clothing/ combustible materials.  
P221 Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles.  
P234 Keep only in original container.

P261	Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P330 + P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P304 + P340 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P390	Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P405	Store locked up.
P406	Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.2 Mixtures

Formula : HNO<sub>3</sub>

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Nitric acid</b>		
CAS-No.	7697-37-2	70 - 90 %
EC-No.	231-714-2	
Index-No.	007-004-00-1	
Registration number	01-2119487297-23-XXXX	
	Ox. Liq. 2; Met. Corr. 1; Acute Tox. 1; Skin Corr. 1A; Eye Dam. 1; H272, H290, H314, H330	

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of 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

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. 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. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

#### If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

#### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

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### 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

#### 5.1 Extinguishing media

##### Suitable extinguishing media

Dry powder Dry sand

#### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

No data available

#### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

#### 5.4 Further information

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

#### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

#### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Contain spillage, and then collect with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and place in container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13).

#### 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

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### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

For precautions see section 2.2.

#### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Storage class (TRGS 510): 5.1B: Oxidizing hazardous materials

#### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### 8.1 Control parameters

##### Components with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	TWA	2 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation Dental erosion		
		STEL	4 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Upper Respiratory Tract irritation		

		Eye irritation Dental erosion		
		TWA	2 ppm 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		ST	4 ppm 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		TWA	2 ppm 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m <sup>3</sup> is approximate.		
		PEL	2 ppm 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		STEL	4 ppm 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)

## 8.2 Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

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

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

#### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) 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).

#### Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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|--|-------------------|
| a) Appearance                              | Form: liquid      |
| b) Odour                                   | No data available |
| c) Odour Threshold                         | No data available |
| d) pH                                      | No data available |
| e) Melting point/freezing point            | No data available |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range | No data available |
| g) Flash point                             | No data available |
| h) Evaporation rate                        | No data available |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)               | No data available |
| j) Upper/lower                             | No data available |

flammability or  
explosive limits

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|---|-------------------|
| k) Vapour pressure                            | No data available |
| l) Vapour density                             | No data available |
| m) Relative density                           | No data available |
| n) Water solubility                           | No data available |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-<br>octanol/water | No data available |
| p) Auto-ignition<br>temperature               | No data available |
| q) Decomposition<br>temperature               | No data available |
| r) Viscosity                                  | No data available |
| s) Explosive properties                       | No data available |
| t) Oxidizing properties                       | No data available |

## 9.2 Other safety information

No data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

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### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

May discolor on exposure to air and light.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - No data available

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

No data available

Dermal: No data available

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

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.

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 on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

**Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: QU5775000

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****12.1 Toxicity**

No data available

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

No data available

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

No data available

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

**12.6 Other adverse effects**

No data available

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****13.1 Waste treatment methods****Product**

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION****DOT (US)**

UN number: 2031      Class: 8 (5.1)

Proper shipping name: Nitric acid

Packing group: II

Reportable Quantity (RQ): 1428 lbs  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**

UN number: 2031      Class: 8 (5.1)      Packing group: II      EMS-No: F-A, S-Q  
Proper shipping name: NITRIC ACID

**IATA**

UN number: 2031      Class: 8 (5.1)      Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Nitric acid  
IATA Passenger: Not permitted for transport

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**SARA 302 Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	2007-07-01

**SARA 313 Components**

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	2007-07-01

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	2007-07-01

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	2007-07-01
Water	7732-18-5	

**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.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Eye Dam.	Serious eye damage
H272	May intensify fire; oxidizer.
H290	May be corrosive to metals.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H330	Fatal if inhaled.
H331	Toxic if inhaled.
Met. Corr.	Corrosive to metals
Ox. Liq.	Oxidizing liquids
Skin Corr.	Skin corrosion

Further information

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