

SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifier

Trade name **Paraformaldehyde**

Stock number: A11313

CAS Number:

30525-89-4

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against. No further relevant information available.

Identified use: SU24 Scientific research and development

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Manufacturer/Supplier:

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A Johnson Matthey Company
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76185 Karlsruhe / Germany
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www.alfa.com

Informing department: Product safety Tel + +049 (0) 7275 988687-0

1.4 Emergency telephone number:

Carechem 24: +44 (0) 1235 239 670 (Multi-language emergency number)

Poison Information Center Mainz

www.giftinfo.uni-mainz.de Telephone: +49(0)6131/19240

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008



GHS02 flame

Flam. Sol. 2 H228 Flammable solid.



GHS08 health hazard

Carc. 2 H351 Suspected of causing cancer.



GHS05 corrosion

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



GHS07

Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.

Acute Tox. 4 H332 Harmful if inhaled.

Skin Sens. 1 H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

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



C; Corrosive

R34: Causes burns.



Xn; Harmful

R20/22-40: Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed. Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect.



Xi; Sensitising

R43: May cause sensitisation by skin contact.



F; Highly flammable

R11: Highly flammable.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment: Not applicable

Other hazards that do not result in classification: No information known.

2.2 Label elements

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

Hazard pictograms



GHS02 GHS05 GHS07 GHS08

Signal word Danger

Hazard statements

H228 Flammable solid.

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H332 Harmful if inhaled.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H351 Suspected of causing cancer.

Precautionary statements

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

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

P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/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.

P405 Store locked up.

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

2.3 Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable.

vPvB: Not applicable.

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SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

CAS# Designation:

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SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General information Instantly remove any clothing soiled by the product.

After inhalation

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm. Consult doctor if symptoms persist.

Seek immediate medical advice.

After skin contact

Instantly 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 doctor.

After swallowing Seek medical treatment.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Causes severe skin burns.

Causes serious eye damage.

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

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing agents CO₂, extinguishing powder or water jet. Fight larger fires with water jet or alcohol-resistant foam.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

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

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Formaldehyde

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

Wear full protective suit.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Keep away from ignition sources

6.2 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 water bodies.

Do not allow to enter the ground/soil.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:

Keep away from ignition sources.

Use neutralizing agent.

Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to item 13.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Prevention of secondary hazards: Keep away from ignition sources.

6.4 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 information on disposal.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Keep containers tightly sealed.

Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.

Information about protection against explosions and fires:

Protect against electrostatic charges.

Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and containers: Refrigerate

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Protect from heat.

Do not store together with acids.

Store away from strong bases.

Store away from oxidising agents.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in a locked cabinet or with access restricted to technical experts or their assistants.

Refrigerate

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

SECTION 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.

8.1 Control parameters

Components with critical values that require monitoring at the workplace:

The product does not contain any relevant quantities of materials with critical values that have to be monitored at the workplace.

Additional Occupational Exposure Limit Values for related materials or possible hazards during processing:

50-00-0 Formaldehyde

MAK (Germany) Long-term value: 0,37 mg/m³, 0,3 ppm

PEL (USA) Short-term value: 2 ppm

Long-term value: 0,75 ppm

see 29 CFR 1910.1048(c)

REL (USA) Long-term value: 0,016 ppm

Ceiling limit: 0,1* ppm

*15-min; See Pocket Guide App. A

TLV (USA) Ceiling limit: 0,37 mg/m³, 0,3 ppm

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Additional information: No data

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8.2 Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

General protective and hygienic measures

The usual precautionary measures should be adhered to in handling the chemicals.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and food.

Instantly remove any soiled and impregnated garments.

Wash hands during breaks and at the end of the work.

Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment: Use breathing protection with high concentrations.

Recommended filter device for short term use:

Use a respirator with type P100 (USA) or P3 (EN 143) 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.

Protection of hands:

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

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.

Material of gloves Nitrile rubber, NBR

Penetration time of glove material (in minutes) 480

Glove thickness 0.11 mm

Eye protection:

Tightly sealed safety glasses.

Full face protection

Body protection: Protective work clothing.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

General Information

Appearance:

Form: Powder

Colour: White

Smell: Pungent

Odour threshold: Not determined.

pH-value: Not applicable.

Change in condition

Melting point/Melting range: 120-170 °C (dec)

Boiling point/Boiling range: Not determined

Sublimation temperature / start: Not determined

Flash point: 71 °C

Inflammability (solid, gaseous) Highly flammable.

Ignition temperature: Not determined

Decomposition temperature: Not determined

Self-inflammability: Not determined.

Danger of explosion: Not determined.

Critical values for explosion:

Lower: Not determined

Upper: Not determined

Steam pressure: Not applicable.

Density at 20 °C 1,3 g/cm³

Relative density Not determined.

Vapour density Not applicable.

Evaporation rate Not applicable.

Solubility in / Miscibility with

Water: Soluble in hot water

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): Not determined.

Viscosity:

dynamic: Not applicable.

kinematic: Not applicable.

9.2 Other information No further relevant information available.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity No information known.

10.2 Chemical stability Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided: No decomposition if used and stored according to specifications.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions Reacts with strong oxidising agents

10.4 Conditions to avoid No further relevant information available.

10.5 Incompatible materials:

Acids

Bases

Oxidising agents

Heat

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products:

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Formaldehyde

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

Harmful if inhaled.

Harmful if swallowed.

Swallowing will lead to a strong caustic effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for this substance.

LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:

Oral LD50 800 mg/kg (rat)

Inhalative LC50/4H 1,07 mg/l/4H (rat)

Skin irritation or corrosion: Causes severe skin burns.

Eye irritation or corrosion: Causes serious eye damage.

Sensitization: May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Germ cell mutagenicity: The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains mutation data for this substance.

Carcinogenicity: Suspected of causing cancer.

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.

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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.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity: No further relevant information available.

12.2 Persistence and degradability No further relevant information available.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential No further relevant information available.

12.4 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.

Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water.

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable.

vPvB: Not applicable.

12.6 Other adverse effects No further relevant information available.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Recommendation

Hand over to disposers of hazardous waste.

Must be specially treated under adherence to official regulations.

Consult state, local or national regulations for proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

SECTION 14: Transport information

UN-Number

ADR, IMDG, IATA

UN2213

14.2 UN proper shipping name

**ADR
IMDG, IATA**

2213 PARAFORMALDEHYDE
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14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR



Class

4.1 (F1) Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives.

**Label
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4.1



Class

4.1 Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives.

Label

4.1

Packing group

ADR, IMDG, IATA

III

14.5 Environmental hazards:

Not applicable.

14.6 Special precautions for user

Warning: Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives.

Kemler Number:

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EMS Number:

F-A,S-G

14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC

Code

Not applicable.

Transport/Additional information:

ADR

Excepted quantities (EQ):

E1

Limited quantities (LQ)

LQ9

Transport category

3

Tunnel restriction code

E

UN "Model Regulation":

UN2213, PARAFORMALDEHYDE, 4.1, III

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances Substance is listed.

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons

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National regulations

Information about limitation of use:

Employment restrictions concerning young persons must be observed.

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

Water hazard class: Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water.

Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations

ELINCS (European List of Notified Chemical Substances) Substance is not listed.

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 listed.

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

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SECTION 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:

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)
ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization
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
IATA: International Air Transport Association
GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)
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)
Flam. Sol. 2: Flammable solids, Hazard Category 2
Acute Tox. 4: Acute toxicity, Hazard Category 4
Skin Corr. 1B: Skin corrosion/irritation, Hazard Category 1B
Skin Sens. 1: Sensitisation - Skin, Hazard Category 1
Carc. 2: Carcinogenicity, Hazard Category 2

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