

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Silica gel desiccant

Cat No. : S161-10; S161-50; S161-200LB; S161-212; S161-500;

Synonyms Silicon dioxide; Diatomaceous earth; Infusorial earth

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

Importer/Distributor
Fisher Scientific
112 Colonnade Road,
Ottawa, ON K2E 7L6,
Canada
Tel: 1-800-234-7437

Manufacturer

Fisher Scientific
One Reagent Lane
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
Tel: (201) 796-7100

Emergency Telephone Number

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

WHMIS 2015 Classification Classified as hazardous under the Hazardous Products Regulations (SOR/2015-17)

Respiratory Sensitization	Category 1
Skin Sensitization	Category 1
Germ Cell Mutagenicity	Category 2
Carcinogenicity	Category 1B
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 1B

Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

May cause an allergic skin reaction
May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled
Suspected of causing genetic defects
May cause cancer by inhalation
May damage fertility



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use
 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
 Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
 Wear respiratory protection

Response

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention
 If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

Storage

Store locked up
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Other Hazards

Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Silica, amorphous, precipitated and gel	112926-00-8	90-100
Cobaltous chloride	7646-79-9	0-10

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
Inhalation	Move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Most important symptoms/effects	None reasonably foreseeable. May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. May cause allergic skin reaction. Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

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

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media No information available

Flash Point Not applicable
Method - No information available

Autoignition Temperature No information available

Explosion Limits

Upper No data available

Lower No data available

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available

Sensitivity to Static Discharge No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

None known.

Hazardous Combustion Products

None known

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

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Health
2

Flammability
0

Instability
1

Physical hazards
N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

Environmental Precautions Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information. Avoid release to the environment. Collect spillage.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. Handling and storage

Handling Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

Storage Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Silica, amorphous, precipitated and gel		TWA: 4 mg/m ³ TWA: 1.5 mg/m ³		TWA: 6 mg/m ³		(Vacated) TWA: 6 mg/m ³	
Cobaltous chloride	TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³		

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Engineering Measures

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

Personal protective equipment

Eye Protection	Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.
Hand Protection	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Nitrile rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	Splash protection only

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Respiratory Protection

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Solid
Appearance	Blue
Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	Not applicable
Melting Point/Range	No data available
Boiling Point/Range	No information available
Flash Point	Not applicable
Evaporation Rate	No information available
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	No information available
Vapor Density	No information available
Specific Gravity	No information available
Solubility	Insoluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	No information available
Decomposition Temperature	No information available

Viscosity	No information available
Molecular Formula	SiO ₂
Molecular Weight	60.08

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Hygroscopic.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to moist air or water.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids
Hazardous Decomposition Products	None known
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Product Information	No acute toxicity information is available for this product
Oral LD50	Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.
Dermal LD50	Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.
Mist LC50	Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 5 mg/l.

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Cobaltous chloride	LD50 = 80 mg/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed

Toxicologically Synergistic Products	No information available
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Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation	No information available
Sensitization	May cause sensitization by inhalation and skin contact
Carcinogenicity	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Silica, amorphous, precipitated and gel	112926-00-8	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Cobaltous chloride	7646-79-9	Group 2B	Reasonably Anticipated	A3	X	Not listed

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Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans

A1 - Known Human Carcinogen

A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen

A3 - Animal Carcinogen

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Mutagenic Effects	Category 2
Reproductive Effects	Category 1B.
Developmental Effects	No information available.
Teratogenicity	No information available.

STOT - single exposure	None known
STOT - repeated exposure	None known
Aspiration hazard	No information available
Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed	Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing
Endocrine Disruptor Information	No information available
Other Adverse Effects	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Cobaltous chloride	Not listed	Cyprinus carpio: LC50=0.33 mg/L 96h	Not listed	1.1-1.6 mg/L 48h

Persistence and Degradability No information available

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility

Component	log Pow
Cobaltous chloride	0.85

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal Methods Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

14. Transport information

DOT	Not regulated
TDG	Not regulated
IATA	Not regulated
IMDG/IMO	Not regulated

15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: Australia Complete Regulatory Information contained in following SDS's X = listed China Canada The product is classified and labeled according to EC directives or corresponding national laws The product is classified and labeled in accordance with Directive 1999/45/EC Korea Philippines Japan

International Inventories

Component	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Silica, amorphous, precipitated and gel	X	-	-	-	-		X	X	X	X	X
Cobaltous chloride	X	-	X	231-589-4	-		X	X	X	X	X

Canada

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

Component	Canada - National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI)	Canadian Environmental Protection Agency (CEPA) - List of Toxic Substances	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)
Cobaltous chloride			Subject to Monitoring and Surveillance Activities

16. Other information

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End of SDS