# **MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET**

Hydrogen Peroxide (8 to 20%)



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This document has been prepared to meet the requirements of the U.S. OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200 and Canada's Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) requirements.

# **1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

**PRODUCT NAME:** 

**GENERAL USE:** 

Hydrogen Peroxide (8 to 20%)

Standard 8% is formulated with an inorganic tin-based stabilizer for high stability and long term storage. Suitable for industrial bleaching, processing, pollution abatement and general oxidation reactions. Technical grade contains an organic based stabilizer. It is particularly useful in chemical synthesis where the presence of inorganic residues is objectionable.

### MANUFACTURER

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### **EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

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For leak, fire, spill, or accident emergencies, call: (800) 424-9300 (CHEMTREC - U.S.A.) (613) 996-6666 (CANUTEC - Canada)

# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### **EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:**

- Clear, colorless, odorless liquid
- Oxidizer.
- Contact with combustibles may cause fire.
- Decomposes yielding oxygen that supports combustion of organic matters and can cause overpressure if confined.
- Extremely irritating to eyes, nose, throat and lungs.

**POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:** Extremely irritating to eyes, nose, throat and lungs. May cause skin irritation.

# **3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Chemical Name	CAS#	Wt.%	EC No.	EC Class
Hydrogen Peroxide	7722-84-1	8 - 20	231-765-0	O, C, Xn; R5- R8-R35- R20/22
Water	7732-18-5	80 - 92	231-791-2	Not classified

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**EYES:** Immediately flush with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting the upper and lower eyelids intermittently. See a medical doctor or ophthalmologist immediately.

**SKIN:** Wash with plenty of soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation occurs and persists.

**INGESTION:** Rinse mouth with water. Dilute by giving 1 or 2 glasses of water. Do not induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. See a medical doctor immediately.

**INHALATION:** Remove to fresh air. If breathing difficulty or discomfort occurs and persists, contact a medical doctor.

**NOTES TO MEDICAL DOCTOR:** Hydrogen peroxide at 8 to 20% concentration is an oxidant. Skin contact may be irritating; eye contact may be severely irritating. Treatment is by dilution and is symptomatic and supportive.

# **5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Flood with water.

**FIRE / EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** Product is non-combustible. On decomposition releases oxygen which may intensify fire.

**FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** Any tank or container surrounded by fire should be flooded with water for cooling. Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus.

FLAMMABLE LIMITS: Non-combustible

**SENSITIVITY TO IMPACT:** No data available

SENSITIVITY TO STATIC DISCHARGE: No data available

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**RELEASE NOTES:** Dilute with a large volume of water and hold in a pond or diked area until hydrogen peroxide decomposes. Dispose according to methods outlined for waste disposal.

Combustible materials exposed to hydrogen peroxide should be immediately submerged in or rinsed with large amounts of water to ensure that all hydrogen peroxide is removed. Residual hydrogen peroxide that is allowed to dry (upon evaporation hydrogen peroxide can concentrate) on organic materials such as paper, fabrics, cotton, leather, wood or other combustibles can cause the material to ignite and result in a fire.

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**HANDLING:** Wear chemical splash-type monogoggles and full-face shield, impervious clothing, such as rubber, PVC, etc., and rubber or neoprene gloves and shoes. Avoid cotton, wool and leather. Avoid excessive heat and contamination. Contamination may cause decomposition and generation of oxygen gas which could result in high pressures and possible container rupture. Hydrogen peroxide should be stored only in vented containers and transferred only in a prescribed manner (see FMC Technical Bulletins). Never return unused hydrogen peroxide to original container, empty drums should be triple rinsed with water before discarding. Utensils used for handling hydrogen peroxide should only be made of glass, stainless steel, aluminum or plastic.

**STORAGE:** Store drums in cool areas out of direct sunlight and away from combustibles. For bulk storage refer to FMC Technical Bulletins.

**COMMENTS:** VENTILATION: Provide mechanical general and/or local exhaust ventilation to prevent release of vapor or mist into the work environment.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### **EXPOSURE LIMITS**

Chemical Name	ACGIH	OSHA	Supplier
Hydrogen Peroxide	1 ppm (TWA)	1 ppm (PEL) 1.4 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (PEL)	

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS:** Ventilation should be provided to minimize the release of hydrogen peroxide vapors and mists into the work environment. Spills should be minimized or confined immediately to prevent release into the work area. Remove contaminated clothing immediately and wash before reuse.

### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

**EYES AND FACE:** Use chemical splash-type monogoggles and a full-face shield made of polycarbonate, acetate, polycarbonate/acetate, PETG or thermoplastic.

**RESPIRATORY:** If concentrations in excess of 10 ppm are expected, use NIOSH/DHHS approved self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), or other approved atmospheric-supplied respirator (ASR) equipment (e.g., a full-face airline respirator (ALR)). DO NOT use any form of air-purifying respirator (APR) or filtering facepiece (AKA dust mask), especially those containing oxidizable sorbants such as activated carbon.

**PROTECTIVE CLOTHING:** Rubber or neoprene footwear (avoid leather). Impervious clothing materials such as rubber, neoprene, nitrile or polyvinyl chloride (avoid cotton, wool and leather). Completely submerge hydrogen peroxide contaminated clothing or other materials in water prior to drying. Residual hydrogen peroxide, if allowed to dry on materials such as paper, fabrics, cotton, leather, wood or other combustibles can cause the material to ignite and result in a fire.

**GLOVES:** Liquid proof rubber or neoprene gloves. Thoroughly rinse the outside of gloves with water prior to removal. Inspect regularly for leaks.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

ODOR:	Odorless
APPEARANCE:	Clear, colorless liquid
AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE:	Non-combustible
BOILING POINT:	102°C (216°F) (8% and 10%)
<b>COEFFICIENT OF OIL / WATER:</b>	Not available
DENSITY / WEIGHT PER VOLUME:	Not available

EVAPORATION RATE:	> 1 (Butyl Acetate = 1)
FLASH POINT:	Non-combustible
FREEZING POINT:	-5°C (23°F) (8%); -6°C (21°F) (10%)
ODOR THRESHOLD:	Not available
OXIDIZING PROPERTIES:	Oxidizer
PERCENT VOLATILE:	100
pH:	2.5 - 3.5 5.0 - 6.0 (1% solution)
SOLUBILITY IN WATER:	(in $H_20$ % by wt) Above 1
SPECIFIC GRAVITY:	(H <sub>2</sub> O=1) 1.06 @ 20°C/4°C (8%); 1.03 @ 20°C/4°C (10%)
VAPOR DENSITY:	(Air = 1): Not available
VAPOR PRESSURE:	31 mmHg @ 30°C (8%); 30 mmHg @ 30°C (10%)

### **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

CONDITIONS TO AVOID:	Excessive heat or contamination could cause product to become unstable.
STABILITY:	Stable (heat and contamination could cause decomposition)
POLYMERIZATION:	Will not occur
INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS:	Reducing agents, wood, paper and other combustibles, iron and other heavy metals, copper alloys and caustic.
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:	Oxygen which supports combustion.

**COMMENTS:** Materials to Avoid : Dirt, organics, cyanides and combustibles such as wood, paper,

oils, etc.

# **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**EYE EFFECTS:** 8% hydrogen peroxide: Extremely irritating (washed) (rabbit) 8% hydrogen peroxide: Moderately irritating (unwashed) (rabbit) 10% hydrogen peroxide: Extremely irritating (rabbit) [FMC Study Number: I84-851]

**SKIN EFFECTS:** 10% hydrogen peroxide: Slightly irritating after 4 hr. exposure (rabbit) [FMC Study Number: I89-1078]

**DERMAL LD<sub>50</sub>:** 35% hydrogen peroxide: > 2,000 mg/kg (rabbit) [FMC Study Number: I83-746]

**ORAL LD<sub>50</sub>:** 10% hydrogen peroxide: > 5,000 mg/kg (rat) [FMC Study Number: I89-1077]

**INHALATION LC<sub>50</sub>:** 50% hydrogen peroxide: > 0.17 mg/l (rat) [FMC Study Number: I89-1080]

TARGET ORGANS: Eyes, nose, throat and lungs

ACUTE EFFECTS FROM OVEREXPOSURE: Extremely irritating to eyes, nose, throat and lungs. May cause skin irritation.

**CHRONIC EFFECTS FROM OVEREXPOSURE:** The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has concluded that there is inadequate evidence for carcinogenicity of hydrogen peroxide in humans, but limited evidence in experimental animals (Group 3 - not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans). The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) has concluded that hydrogen peroxide is a 'Confirmed Animal Carcinogen with Unknown Relevance to Humans' (A3).

### **CARCINOGENICITY:**

Chemical Name	IARC	NTP	OSHA	Other
Hydrogen Peroxide	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	(ACGIH) Listed (A3,
				Animal Carcinogen)

# **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION: Channel catfish 96-hour LC<sub>50</sub> = 37.4 mg/L

Fathead minnow 96-hour  $LC_{50} = 16.4 \text{ mg/L}$ 

Daphnia magna 24-hour  $EC_{50} = 7.7 \text{ mg/L}$ 

Daphnia pulex 48-hour  $LC_{50} = 2.4 \text{ mg/L}$ 

Freshwater snail 96-hour  $LC_{50} = 17.7 \text{ mg/L}$ 

For more information refer to ECETOC "Joint Assessment of Commodity Chemicals No. 22, Hydrogen Peroxide." ISSN-0773-6339, January 1993

**CHEMICAL FATE INFORMATION:** Hydrogen peroxide in the aquatic environment is subject to various reduction or oxidation processes and decomposes into water and oxygen. Hydrogen peroxide half-life in freshwater ranged from 8 hours to 20 days, in air from 10-20 hrs. and in soils from minutes to hours depending upon microbiological activity and metal contaminants.

# **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**DISPOSAL METHOD:** An acceptable method of disposal is to dilute with a large amount of water and allow the hydrogen peroxide to decompose followed by discharge into a suitable treatment system in accordance with all regulatory agencies. The appropriate regulatory agencies should be contacted prior to disposal.

### **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

### **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)**

#### **PROPER SHIPPING NAME:**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** 

UN/NA NUMBER: PACKING GROUP:

LABEL(S):

PLACARD(S):

Hydrogen Peroxide, aqueous solutions with not less than 8%, but less than 20% hydrogen peroxide

UN 2984

III

Oxidizer

5.1 (Oxidizer)

DOT Marking: Hydrogen Peroxide, aqueous solution with not less than 8%, but less than 20% Hydrogen Peroxide, UN 2984

Hazardous Substance/RQ: Not applicable

49 STCC Number: 4918689

DOT Spec: stainless steel/high purity aluminum cargo tanks and rail cars. UN Spec: HDPE drums. Contact FMC for specific details.

### INTERNATIONAL MARITIME DANGEROUS GOODS (IMDG)

**PROPER SHIPPING NAME:** 

Hydrogen peroxide, aqueous solution with not less than 8%, but less than 20% peroxide.

# INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION (ICAO) / INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION (IATA)

#### **PROPER SHIPPING NAME:**

Hydrogen peroxide, aqueous solution with not less than 8%, but less than 20% peroxide(\*).

#### **OTHER INFORMATION:**

(\*) Air regulations permit shipment of Hydrogen Peroxide (8 - 20%) in non-vented containers for Air Cargo Only aircraft, as well as for Passenger and Cargo aircraft. HOWEVER, all FMC Hydrogen Peroxide containers are vented and therefore, air shipments of FMC  $H_2O_2$  is not permitted. IATA air regulations state that venting of packages containing oxidizing substances is not permitted for air transport.

Protect from physical damage. Keep drums in upright position. Drums should not be stacked in transit. Do not store drum on wooden pallets.

### **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

### **UNITED STATES**

#### SARA TITLE III (SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT)

SECTION 302 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355, APPENDIX A): Not listed

SECTION 311 HAZARD CATEGORIES (40 CFR 370):

Fire Hazard, Immediate (Acute) Health Hazard

#### SECTION 312 THRESHOLD PLANNING QUANTITY (40 CFR 370):

The Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ) for this product, if treated as a mixture, is 10,000 lbs; however, this product contains the following ingredients with a TPQ of less than 10,000 lbs.: None, (conc. <52%)

# CERCLA (COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE COMPENSATION AND LIABILITY ACT)

**CERCLA DESIGNATION & REPORTABLE QUANTITIES (RQ) (40 CFR 302.4):** Unlisted (Hydrogen Peroxide 8-20%); RQ = 100 lbs.; Ignitability

#### TSCA (TOXIC SUBSTANCE CONTROL ACT)

TSCA INVENTORY STATUS (40 CFR 710): Listed

#### RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT (RCRA) RCRA IDENTIFICATION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE (40 CFR 261): Waste Number: D001

#### CANADA

#### WHMIS (WORKPLACE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION SYSTEM):

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all the information required by the Controlled Products Regulations.

Hazard Classification / Division: C

D2B

Ingredient Disclosure List:ListedDomestic Substance List:All con

All components listed

### **INTERNATIONAL LISTINGS**

Hydrogen peroxide:

China: Listed Japan (ENCS): (1)-419 Korea: KE-20204 Philippines (PICCS): Listed

### HAZARD AND RISK PHRASE DESCRIPTIONS:

EC Symbol	ls:
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O	(Oxidizer)
C	(Corrosive)
Xn	(Harmful)
R5	(Heating may cause an explosion.)
R8	(Contact with combustible material
D25	$(\mathbf{C}_{1}, \mathbf{C}_{2}, C$

EC Risk Phrases:

R may cause fire)

R35 (Causes severe burns.)

R20/22 (Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.)

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

#### HMIS

Health	1
Flammability	0
Physical Hazard	1
Personal Protection (PPE)	Н

Protection = H (Safety goggles, gloves, apron, the use of a supplied air or SCBA respirator is required in lieu of a vapor cartridge respirator)

HMIS = Hazardous Materials Identification System

Degree of Hazard Code:

- 4 =Severe
- 3 =Serious
- 2 = Moderate
- 1 =Slight
- 0 = Minimal

#### **NFPA**

Health	1
Flammability	0
Reactivity	1
Special	OX

SPECIAL = OX (Oxidizer)

NFPA (National Fire Protection Association)

Degree of Hazard Code: 4 = Extreme 3 = High 2 = Moderate 1 = Slight 0 = Insignificant

#### **REVISION SUMMARY:**

This MSDS replaces Revision #7, dated April 30, 2006. Changes in information are as follows: Section 1 (Product and Company Identification) Section 3 (Composition / Information on Ingredients) Section 15 (Regulatory Information) Section 16 (Other Information)

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