



SAFETY DATA SHEET
AMMONIUM BIFLUORIDE

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / PREPARATION AND OF THE COMPANY / UNDERTAKING

Product name: AMMONIUM BIFLUORIDE

CAS number: 1341-49-7

EINECS number: 215-676-4

Index number: 009-009-00-4

Synonyms: AMMONIUM HYDROGEN DIFLUORIDE
AMMONIUM ACID FLUORIDE

Use / description of product: Toxic or very toxic.

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2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Hazardous ingredients: AMMONIUM BIFLUORIDE >90%

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Main hazards: Toxic if swallowed. Causes burns.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES (SYMPTOMS)

Skin contact: There may be irritation and redness at the site of contact.

Eye contact: There may be pain and redness.

Ingestion: There may be soreness and redness of the mouth and throat. Severe poisoning can cause unconsciousness and severe and persistent nausea and vomiting. Severe poisoning can cause shock, unconsciousness and convulsions. Severe poisoning can cause vision to be blurred or blindness, severe headache and rapid gasping breathing.

Inhalation: There may be shortness of breath with a burning sensation in the throat. Absorption through the lungs can occur causing symptoms similar to those of ingestion. Nausea and stomach pain may occur.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES (ACTION)

Skin contact: Remove all contaminated clothes and footwear immediately unless stuck to skin. Drench the affected skin with running water for 10 minutes or longer if substance is still on skin. Transfer to hospital if there are burns or symptoms of poisoning.

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Eye contact: Bathe the eye with running water for 15 minutes. Transfer to hospital for specialist examination.

Ingestion: Do not induce vomiting. If conscious, give half a litre of water to drink immediately. If unconscious and breathing is OK, place in the recovery position. Transfer to hospital as soon as possible.

Inhalation: Remove casualty from exposure ensuring one's own safety whilst doing so. Transfer to hospital as soon as possible.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media: Suitable extinguishing media for the surrounding fire should be used. Use water spray to cool containers.

Exposure hazards: Toxic. In combustion emits toxic fumes.

Protection of fire-fighters: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Wear protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions: Notify the police and fire brigade immediately. If outside keep bystanders upwind and away from danger point. Mark out the contaminated area with signs and prevent access to unauthorised personnel. Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective clothing - see section 8 of SDS. Do not create dust.

Environmental precautions: Do not discharge into drains or rivers.

Clean-up procedures: Clean-up should be dealt with only by qualified personnel familiar with the specific substance. Transfer to a closable, labelled salvage container for disposal by an appropriate method.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling requirements: Avoid the formation or spread of dust in the air. Ensure there is sufficient ventilation of the area.

Storage conditions: Store in cool, well ventilated area. Keep container tightly closed.

Suitable packaging: Do not use glass.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**Occupational exposure limits**

TWA (8 hr exposure limit): 2.5 mg/m³ (OES)

Engineering measures: Ensure there is sufficient ventilation of the area.

Respiratory protection: Self-contained breathing apparatus must be available in case of emergency. Respiratory protective device with particle filter.

Hand protection: Protective gloves.

Eye protection: Safety glasses. Ensure eye bath is to hand.

Skin protection: Protective clothing.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

State: Crystals

Colour: White

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Odour: Odourless
Oxidising: Non-oxidising (by EC criteria)
Solubility in water: Soluble
Also soluble in: Ethanol.
Melting point/range°C: 125
Relative density: 1.5

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability: Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to avoid: Heat.
Materials to avoid: Strong oxidising agents. Strong acids.
Haz. decomp. products: In combustion emits toxic fumes.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Routes of exposure: Refer to section 4 of SDS for routes of exposure and corresponding symptoms.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Persistence and degradability: Biodegradable.
Bioaccumulative potential: No bioaccumulation potential.
Other adverse effects: Negligible ecotoxicity.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

NB: The user's attention is drawn to the possible existence of regional or national regulations regarding disposal.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**ADR / RID**

UN no: 1727	ADR Class: 8
Packing group: II	Classification code: C2
Shipping name: AMMONIUM HYDROGENDIFLUORIDE, SOLID	
Labelling: 8	Hazard ID no: 80

**IMDG / IMO**

UN no: 1727	Class: 8
Packing group: II	EmS: 8-06
Marine pollutant: NO	Labelling: 8

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AMMONIUM BIFLUORIDE**IATA / ICAO**

UN no: 1727 **Class:** 8
Packing group: II **Packing instructions:** 815(P&CA); 817(PAO)
Labelling: 8

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Hazard symbols: Toxic.



Risk phrases: R25: Toxic if swallowed.

R34: Causes burns.

Safety phrases: S26: In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

S28: After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice

S36/37/39: Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye / face protection.

S45: In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

S24/25: Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

S36/37/39: Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye / face protection.

Note: The regulatory information given above only indicates the principal regulations specifically applicable to the product described in the safety data sheet. The user's attention is drawn to the possible existence of additional provisions which complete these regulations. Refer to all applicable national, international and local regulations or provisions.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Legal disclaimer: The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. This company shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product.