

SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product/Chemical Name: Ammonium Sulfate

Chemical Family: Inorganic ammonium salt

General Use: Drinking water treatment, wastewater treatment, food processing, fermentation, pharmaceuticals, and other manufacturing applications

Company Information:

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification

Health Hazards

Skin corrosion/irritation

Category 3

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Category 2B

Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure

Category 3 respiratory tract irritation

Pictogram:



Signal Word: WARNING

Hazard Statements: May cause respiratory irritation
Causes eye irritation
Causes mild skin irritation

Precautionary Statements: Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing.
Avoid breathing dust.
In case of inadequate ventilation, wear respiratory protection.
IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
If skin irritation occurs: get medical advice or attention.
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
If eye irritation persists: get medical advice or attention
IF INHALED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.
Collect spillage.
Store in a closed container.

Dispose of container in accordance with local, state, province and federal regulations.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance Ammonium Sulfate
Chemical Name: Ammonium Sulfate CAS#: 7783-20-2 (99 - 100%)
Synonyms: Ammonium Sulphate; Diammonium Sulfate; Granular Ammonium Sulfate; Aqua Aide™ Crystal, FCC Ammonium Sulfate, Purified Ammonium Sulfate, Reagent Ammonium sulfate, Technical Ammonium Sulfate
Impurities: NA. No impurities or additives which are themselves classified and which contribute to the classification of the substance.

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation of dust:

Remove person from source of exposure to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. If not breathing, start CPR. Get medical attention immediately.

Skin contact:

Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing.

If irritation develops, get medical attention.

Eye contact:

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while holding eyelids open.

Get medical attention if irritation persists.

Ingestion:

If fully conscious, drink as much water as can be tolerated. DO NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.

Most Important Symptoms/Effects:

Inhalation:

Dust may irritate nose, throat, mucous membranes, and respiratory tract.

Skin contact:

Prolonged and repeated exposure may cause mild irritation.

Eye contact:

Causes irritation. May cause pain and tearing.

Ingestion:

May cause irritation of the mouth, throat, gastrointestinal tract. May cause salivation, pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea.

SECTION 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammability:

Product is not flammable and it will not burn.

Suitable Extinguishing Media:

For fires in area, use appropriate extinguishing media.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical:

In a fire, dried ammonium sulfate can decompose at temperatures above 455°F (235°C) and may release ammonia and sulfur oxides which are toxic and may be flammable.

Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters:

Wear full protective firefighting clothing including NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus. Remain upwind of fire to avoid hazardous vapors and decomposition products.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**General:**

Site-specific procedures to address accidental spills are necessary as dictated by facility design, location, staffing, containment structures, and regulatory requirements. Consult engineers if needed.

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures:

In the event of a spill, clear unnecessary personnel from spill area. If direct contact with spilled material is likely, use personal protective equipment recommended in Section 8.

Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up:

Sweep up spilled material and collect for reuse or disposal. Dispose of material in accordance with local, state, province, and federal regulations. DO NOT flush material with water.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**Incompatible Chemicals:**

Avoid contact with strong alkalis, strong acids, strong oxidizing agents, chlorates, nitrates, and hypochlorites.

Containment:

Keep in closed containers.

General Hygiene:

Do not eat, drink, take medication or smoke when direct contact is possible.

Always thoroughly wash hands after leaving a work area where contact is possible or has occurred.

Storage:

Keep containers closed and contents protected from dust, dirt, and moisture. Have containers properly labeled for contents. Avoid containers made of steel, iron and non-ferrous metals.

Temperature for Storage:

Preferred storage temperature range is 4°C-43°C (40°F-90°F).

Ventilation:

Local ventilation and dust collection

Personal Protection:

If direct contact with material is likely, use personal protective equipment.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROL / PERSONAL PROTECTION**Exposure Limits**

Ingredient: ammonium soluble salts (nuisance dust)

OSHA PEL		ACGIH TLV		NIOSH TLV		NIOSH
TWA	STEL	TWA	STEL	TWA	STEL	IDLH
15mg/m ³	none est.	10mg/m ³	none est.	none est.	none est.	none est.

Respiratory - Ventilation:

Local ventilation and dust collection is typically used. Under normal conditions, respiratory protective equipment is not necessary. If work requires direct exposure to product dust, use appropriate, NIOSH approved respiratory protection. Consult engineers if necessary.

Eye - Skin wash:

Have appropriate eyewash and safety shower stations available in the work area.

Eyes:

Use protective eyeglasses with side shields or goggles to prevent direct contact.

Skin:

Wear long sleeve shirt, full-length trousers, and gloves. No open-toed footwear. For spill cleanup, use gloves and NIOSH approved dust mask.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance: Solid white crystals

Odor: No odor

Odor Threshold: NA

pH: 5.0 – 6.0 (5% solution)

Melting/Freeze point: NA

Boiling point-range: NA

Flash point: NA

Evaporation rate: NA

Flammability: Not flammable.

Upper/lower flammability limits: NA

Vapor pressure: NA

Vapor density: NA

Relative Density (Bulk Density): 66 – 69 lbs./cu. ft.

Water Solubility: 74.4g/100ml @ 20°C (68°F)

Partial coefficient: n-octanol/water: NA

Auto ignition: NA

Decomposition temperature: >235°C (455°F)

Viscosity: NA

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**Reactivity:**

No data available

Chemical Stability:

Product is chemically stable under normal ambient temperature and conditions while stored or used.

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:

Product will not polymerize.

Conditions to Avoid:

Keep away from incompatibles.

Incompatible Materials:

Strong alkalis, strong acids, strong oxidizing agents, chlorates, nitrates, hypochlorites, mild steel, iron, and non-ferrous metals. Consult engineers if necessary.

Hazardous Decomposition Products:

At temperatures above 235°C (455°F) ammonia and sulfur oxide gasses are released. These gasses are toxic, corrosive and are oxidizers. Ammonia and sulfur trioxide are fire hazards.

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Component Analysis - LD50/LC50

The components of this material have been reviewed in various sources and the following selected endpoints are published:

Ammonium sulfate (7783-20-2)

Oral LD50 Rat 2840 mg/kg

HEALTH EFFECTS

Inhalation - Acute Exposure

Inhalation may cause slight irritation of mucous membranes.

Inhalation - Chronic Exposure

Repeated or prolonged exposure may cause irritation of the mucous membranes.

Skin Contact - Acute Exposure

May cause slight irritation.

Skin Contact - Chronic Exposure

May cause irritation.

Eye Contact - Acute Exposure

Causes irritation, may cause pain and tearing.

Eye Contact - Chronic Exposure

No data available.

Ingestion - Acute Exposure

May cause irritation of the mouth, throat, gastrointestinal tract. May cause salivation, pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea.

Ingestion - Chronic Exposure

No data available.

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity (aquatic):

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Fish: LC50 Atlantic Salmon: 306817 ug/L

Invertebrate: LC50 Daphnia magna: 218,400 ug/L

Persistence and Degradability:

No information available

Bioaccumulation Potential:

This product is not expected to bioaccumulate.

Mobility in Soil:

No information available.

Other Adverse Effects:

No information available

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

RCRA Hazardous Waste: Not listed.

Neutralization:

No neutralization required.

Contaminated Packaging:

Packaging and storage containers that cannot be thoroughly cleaned must be disposed of in accordance with local, state, province, and federal regulations.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Land (DOT), Sea (IMDG), Air (ICAO/IATA)

Identification Number: NA

Proper Shipping Name: NA

Hazard Class: NA

Packing Group: NA

Environmental Hazards: Marine pollutant: no; Hazardous substance: no

Special Precautions: None known

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

RCRA Hazardous Waste: Not Listed.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance: No

CERCLA Reportable Quantity (RQ): NA

SARA 311/312 Categories:

Acute (immediate) health effects: Yes

Chronic (delayed) health effects: No

Sudden release of pressure hazard: No

Reactivity hazard: No

Fire hazard: No

SARA 313 Toxic Chemical Listing: Not listed

SARA Extremely Hazardous Substance (EHS): Not listed

OSHA Air (29CFR 1910.10000, Table Z-1, Z-1A): Not listed

OSHA Special Regulated Substance (29CFR 1910): Not listed

California Prop 65 Chemical: No

United States TSCA Section Inventory Status: Product exempt or listed on the TSCA Inventory.

State Regulations: State specific regulations have not been determined by GAC Chemical Corporation. Consult engineers if necessary.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

NSF/ANSI 60 Drinking Water Treatment Chemicals:

Maximum use 25mg/L

HMIS Rating:

Health: 1

Flammability: 0

Reactivity: 0

NFPA Rating:

Health: 1

Fire: 0

Reactivity: 0

Special: NA

Preparatory Statement:

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