

# FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC.

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## Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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### Section 1 — Chemical Product and Company Identification

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#### o-Phosphoric Acid

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### Section 2 — Composition, Information on Ingredients

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o-Phosphoric Acid

Synonym: orthophosphoric acid

CAS#: 7664-38-2

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### Section 3 — Hazards Identification

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Colorless, odorless viscous liquid.

Moderately toxic by ingestion and inhalation; severe corrosive to body tissues.

Avoid all body tissue contact.

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Health-2

Flammability-0

Reactivity-2

Exposure-3

Storage-3

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

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### Section 4 — First Aid Measures

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Call a physician, seek medical attention for further treatment, observation and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye: Immediately flush with fresh water for 15 minutes.

External: Wash continuously with fresh water for 15 minutes.

Internal: Give 1 to 2 cups of water or milk, followed by a gastric antacid, such as milk of magnesia. Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control at once.

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### Section 5 — Fire Fighting Measures

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Non flammable liquid.

When heated to decomposition, emits toxic fumes of POx.

**Fire Fighting Instructions:** Use triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.

#### NFPA CODE

H-3

F-0

R-0

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### Section 6 — Accidental Release Measures

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Restrict unprotected personnel from area. Remove all ignition sources and ventilate area. Contain spill with sand and absorbent material, neutralize with sodium bicarbonate or calcium hydroxide and deposit in sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

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### Section 7 — Handling and Storage

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Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #9. Store with acids.

Store in a dedicated acid cabinet and away from any source of water; if an acid cabinet is not available, store in Flinn Saf-Cube.

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### Section 8 — Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

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Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves and chemical-resistant apron.

Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire). Exposure guidelines: TWA 1.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (STEL) 3.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (OSHA)

### Section 9 — Physical and Chemical Properties

Colorless, odorless, viscous liquid.

Solubility: Soluble in water and alcohol.

Formula: H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>

Formula Weight: 98.00

Specific Gravity: 1.685

### Section 10 — Stability and Reactivity

Avoid contact with strong bases, finely powdered metals. Forms a detonable mixture with nitromethane.

Shelf life: Good, if stored safely.

### Section 11 — Toxicological Information

Acute effects: Harmful liquid, corrosive

Chronic effects: N.A.

Target organs: N.A.

ORL-RAT LD50: 1530 mg/kg

IHL-RAT LC50: N.A.

SKN-RBT LD50: 2740 mg/kg

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

### Section 12 — Ecological Information

Data not yet available.

### Section 13 — Disposal Considerations

Please consult with state and local regulations.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #24b is one option.

### Section 14 — Transport Information

Shipping Name: Phosphoric Acid

Hazard Class: 8, Corrosive

UN Number: UN1805

N/A = Not applicable

### Section 15 — Regulatory Information

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (231-633-2), RCRA code D002.

### Section 16 — Other Information

Consult your copy of the Flinn Scientific Catalog/Reference Manual for additional information about laboratory chemicals. This Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) is for guidance and is based upon information and tests believed to be reliable. Flinn Scientific Inc. makes no guarantee of the accuracy or completeness of the data and shall not be liable for any damages relating thereto. The data is offered solely for your consideration, investigation, and verification. Flinn Scientific Inc. assumes no legal responsibility for use or reliance upon this data.

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