

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## Chemical Product

Product Name: COPPER (II) SULPHATE (Anhydrous)

CAS#: 7758-98-7

Synonym: Copper Sulphate, Cupric Sulphate Anhydrous

Chemical Name: Copper (II) Sulphate (Anhydrous)

Chemical Formula: CuSO<sub>4</sub>

## Composition and Information on Ingredients

Name	S.K.U	% by Weight
COPPER (II) SULPHATE (Anhydrous)	GCS-5382	100

## Hazards Identification

Potential Acute Health Effects:

Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Potential Chronic Health Effects:

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Mutagenic for mammalian somatic cells. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. The substance may be toxic to kidneys, liver. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage.

## First Aid Measures

### Eye Contact:

Check for and remove any contact lenses. Do not use an eye ointment. Seek medical attention.

### Skin Contact:

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Gently and thoroughly wash the contaminated skin with running water and non-abrasive soap. Be particularly careful to clean folds, crevices, creases and groin. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.

Wash contaminated clothing before reusing.

**Serious Skin Contact:**

Wash with a disinfectant soap and cover the contaminated skin with an anti-bacterial cream. Seek medical attention.

Inhalation: Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Inhalation: Not available.

**Ingestion:**

Do not induce vomiting. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Ingestion: Not available.

**Fire and Explosion Data**

Flammability of the Product: Non-flammable.

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Not available.

Flash Points: Not available.

Flammable Limits: Not available.

Products of Combustion: Not available.

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Not available.

Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

Fire Fighting Media and Instructions: Not available.

Special Remarks on Fire Hazards:

Anhydrous copper sulfate causes hydroxylamine to ignite. When heated to decomposition it emits toxic fumes. Solutions are acidic and can react with magnesium to evolve flammable hydrogen gas.

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:

Nitromethanes and copper salts spontaneously form explosive materials.

## Accidental Release Measures

### Small Spill:

Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

### Large Spill:

Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

## Handling and Storage

### Precautions:

Do not ingest. Do not breathe dust. Wear suitable protective clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Keep away from incompatibles such as metals, alkalis.

### Storage:

Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area.

## Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### Engineering Controls:

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

### Personal Protection:

Splash goggles. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

### Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:

Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self-contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

**Exposure Limits:**

TWA: 1 (mg/m<sup>3</sup>) from ACGIH (TLV) [United States] Inhalation TWA: 0.1 (mg/m<sup>3</sup>) from OSHA (PEL) [United States] Inhalation TWA: 1 (mg/m<sup>3</sup>) from NIOSH Inhalation Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

## Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state and appearance: Solid. (Powdered solid.)

Odor : Pleasant.

Taste : Not available.

Molecular Weight : 159.6 g/mole

Color : Grayish white to greenish-white (Light.)

pH (1% soln/water) : Not available.

Boiling Point : Decomposition temperature: 650°C (1202°F)

Melting Point : 590°C (1094°F)

Critical Temperature : Not available.

Specific Gravity : 3.6 (Water = 1)

Vapor Pressure : Not available.

Vapor Density : Not available.

Volatility : Not available.

Odor Threshold : Not available.

Water/Oil Dist. Coeff. : Not applicable.

Ionicity (in Water) : Not available.

Dispersion Properties : See solubility in water, methanol.

Solubility : Easily soluble in hot water. Soluble in cold water, methanol. Insoluble in ethanol. Readily dissolves in aqueous ammonia and excess metal cyanides, with formation of complexes. Solubility in water: 243 g/l @ 0 deg. C; 75.4 g/100 ml @ 100 deg. C.

Solubility in methanol: 1.04 g/100 ml @ 18 deg. C

## Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability: The product is stable.

Instability Temperature: Not available.

Conditions of Instability: Excess heat (high temperatures), incompatible materials, exposure to air.

Incompatibility with various substances: Reactive with metals, alkalis.

Corrosivity:

Extremely corrosive in presence of aluminum. Highly corrosive in presence of steel. Slightly corrosive in presence of stainless steel (304), of stainless steel (316).

**Special Remarks on Reactivity:**

Air Sensitive. Solutions of hypobromite are decomposed by powerful catalytic action of cupric ions, even as impurities. Incompatible with finely powdered metals, hydroxylamine, magnesium, acetylene, Sodium Hypobromite, and nitromethane. May react with acetylene to form dangerous acetylides. Can be corrosive to most ferrous based metals.

**Special Remarks on Corrosivity:**

Corrosive to finely powdered metals. Very corrosive to plain steel. Severe corrosive effect on brass and bronze.

Polymerization: Will not occur.

## **Toxicological Information**

Routes of Entry: Inhalation. Ingestion.

Toxicity to Animals: Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 300 mg/kg [Rat.].

Chronic Effects on Humans:

**MUTAGENIC EFFECTS:** Mutagenic for mammalian somatic cells. May cause damage to the following organs: kidneys, liver.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans: Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

**Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals:**

Lowest Published Lethal Dose: LDL [Human] - Route: Oral; Dose: 50 mg/kg LDL [Man] - Route: Oral; Dose: 857 mg/kg LDL [Woman] - Route: Oral; Dose: 47.3 mg/kg

**Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:**

May affect genetic material based on animal data. May cause adverse reproductive effects and birth defects (teratogenic) based on animal test data. May cause cancer based on animal test data.

**Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:**

Acute Potential Health Effects: Skin: Causes skin irritation. May cause skin burns. It may cause and itching allergic eczema. Eyes: Causes eye irritation. May cause eye burns. It

may cause conjunctivitis, corneal discoloration, ulceration and turbidity of the cornea. Inhalation: Causes respiratory tract (nose, throat, lung) irritation with coughing and wheezing. May cause ulceration and perforation of the nasal septum if inhaled in excessive quantities. Burning copper sulfate may result in irritating and poisonous gases which may irritate the respiratory tract and lungs, and may cause fume metal fever which is characterized by flu-like symptoms such as fever, chills, muscle aches. Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed. May cause gastrointestinal tract irritation with nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, metallic taste, burning sensation in the stomach or epigastrium, abdominal pain, and possible gastrointestinal tract bleeding. May affect metabolism (metabolic acidosis), liver (liver damage, jaundice), blood (Methemoglobin, hemolytic anemia), urinary system (kidney damage, hematuria, hemoglobinuria, albuminuria), behavior/nervous systems (somnolence, tremor, psychosis, muscle weakness, coma), cardiovascular system (lowering of blood pressure, dysthrythmia).

Toxicological Data on Ingredients: Copper (II) Sulphate (Anhydrous) ORAL (LD50): Acute: 300 mg/kg [Rat.]. 960 mg/kg [Rat.]. 369 mg/kg [Mouse].

## Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity:

Ecotoxicity in water (LC50): 0.1 ppm 48 hours [Goldfish]. 0.1 mg/l 96 hours [Rainbow Trout]. 2.5 mg/l 96 hours [Rainbow Trout].

BOD5 and COD: Not available.

Products of Biodegradation:

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:

The products of degradation are less toxic than the product itself.

Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation:

If released to soil, copper sulfate may leach to groundwater, be partly oxidized, or bind to humic materials, clay, or hydrous oxides of iron and manganese. In water, it will bind to carbonates as well as humic materials, clay and hydrous oxides of iron and manganese. Copper is accumulated by plants and animals, but it does not appear to biomagnify from plants to animals. This lack of biomagnification appears common with heavy metals. In air, copper aerosols (in general) have a residence time of 2 to 10 days in an unpolluted atmosphere and 0.1 to >4 in a polluted, urban areas.

## Disposal Considerations

### Waste Disposal:

Copper dusts or mist or copper compounds may be disposed of in Group III sealed containers in a secure sanitary landfill. Copper containing soluble wastes can be concentrated through the use of ion exchange, reverse osmosis, or evaporators to the point where copper can be electrolytically removed and sent to a reclaiming firm. If recovery is not feasible, the copper can be precipitated through the use of caustics and the sludge deposited in a chemical waste landfill. Be sure to consult with authorities (waste regulators). Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

## Transformation Information

### Land transport (ADR-RID)

Proper shipping name : ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.

UN N° 3077

H.I. nr90

ADR - Class 9

Labelling - Transport: 9 : Miscellaneous dangerous substances and articles.

ADR - Group III

### Sea transport (IMDG) [English only]

Proper shipping name : ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.

UN N° 3077

IMO-IMDG - Class or division: 9 : Miscellaneous dangerous substances and articles.

IMO-IMDG - Packing group: III

### Air transport (ICAO-IATA) [English only]

Proper shipping name : ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.

UN N° : 3077

IATA - Class or division : 9 : Miscellaneous dangerous substances and articles.

IATA - Packing group III

## Other Regulatory Information

Federal and State Regulations:

Connecticut hazardous material survey.: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous Illinois chemical safety act: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous New York release reporting list: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous Pennsylvania RTK: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous Massachusetts RTK: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous Massachusetts spill list: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous New Jersey: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous New Jersey spill list: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous Louisiana RTK reporting list: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous California Director's List of Hazardous Substances: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous TSCA 8(b) inventory: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous SARA 313 toxic chemical notification and release reporting: Copper compounds CERCLA: Hazardous substances.: Cupric Sulfate, anhydrous: 10 lbs. (4.536 kg)

**Other Regulations:**

OSHA: Hazardous by definition of Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

**Other Classifications:**

WHMIS (Canada): CLASS D-2B: Material causing other toxic effects (TOXIC).

DSCL (EEC): R22- Harmful if swallowed. R36/38- Irritating to eyes and skin. R50/53- Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. S22- Do not breathe dust. S60- This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. S61- Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/Safety data sheets.

**HMIS (U.S.A.):**

Health Hazard: 2

**Fire Hazard: 1**

Reactivity: 0

**Personal Protection: E**

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):

**Health: 2**

Flammability: 1

**Reactivity: 0**

Specific hazard:

**Protective Equipment:**

Gloves. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Splash goggles.

**Additional Information**



References: Not available.

Other Special Considerations: Not available.

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