

## Section 1 Chemical Product and Company Information

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**CHEMTREC 24 Hour Emergency**  
**Phone Number (800) 424-9300**  
For laboratory use only.  
Not for drug, food or household use.

**Product** ALUMINUM CHLORIDE, HEXAHYDRATE

**Synonyms** None

## Section 2 Hazards Identification

**Signal word:** DANGER

**Pictograms:** GHS05

**Target organs:** None known.



**GHS Classification:**

Skin corrosion (Category 1B)

**GHS Label information: Hazard statement:**

H314: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

**Precautionary statement:**

P260: Do not breathe dust.

P264: Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

P280: Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P301+P310+P331: IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303+P361+P353: IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P363: Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

P304+P340: IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P310: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor.

P305+P351+P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes.

Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P405: Store locked up.

P501: Dispose of contents/container to a licensed chemical disposal agency in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.

Ca Prop 65: This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity.

## Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS #	%	EINECS
Aluminum chloride	7784-13-6	100%	231-208-1 (anhydrous)

## Section 4 First Aid Measures

**INGESTION:** HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED. Call physician or Poison Control Center immediately. Induce vomiting only if advised by appropriate medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

**INHALATION:** HARMFUL IF INHALED. CAUSES RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION. Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

**EYE CONTACT:** CAUSES EYE DAMAGE. Check for and remove contact lenses. Flush thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting upper and lower eyelids occasionally. Get immediate medical attention.

**SKIN ABSORPTION:** CAUSES SEVERE SKIN BURNS. Remove contaminated clothing. Flush thoroughly with mild soap and water. If irritation occurs, get medical attention.

## Section 5 Fire Fighting Measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:** Carbon dioxide, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol foam. DO NOT USE WATER!

**Protective Actions for Fire-fighters:** In fire conditions, wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective gear. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

**Specific Hazards:** During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion. Water hydrolyzes material, liberating acidic gas which in contact with metal surfaces can generate flammable and/or explosive hydrogen gas.

## Section 6 Accidental Release Measures

**Personal Precautions:** Evacuate personnel to safe area. Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8. Provide adequate ventilation.

**Environmental Precautions:** Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches which lead to waterways.

**Containment and Cleanup:** Recover for reuse if not contaminated. Sweep or vacuum up and place in a suitable container for proper disposal. Wash spill area with soap and water.

**Precautions for Safe Handling:** Read label on container before using. Do not wear contact lenses when working with chemicals. Keep out of reach of children. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not inhale dusts. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion. Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove and wash clothing before reuse.

**Conditions for Safe Storage:** Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Keep away from humidity and water.

## Section 8 Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Exposure Limits:	Chemical Name	ACGIH (TLV)	OSHA (PEL)	NIOSH (REL)
	Aluminum chloride	Not established	Not established	Not established

**Engineering controls:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower and fire extinguishing material. Personnel should wear safety glasses, goggles, or faceshield, lab coat or apron, appropriate protective gloves. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

**Respiratory protection:** None should be needed in normal laboratory handling at room temperatures. If dusty conditions prevail, work in fume hood or wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved respirator.

## Section 9 Physical &amp; Chemical Properties

<b>Appearance:</b> Solid. White crystalline powder	<b>Evaporation rate ( = 1):</b> Data not available	<b>Partition coefficient:</b> Data not available
<b>Odor:</b> No odor	<b>Flammability (solid/gas):</b> Data not available	<b>Auto-ignition temperature:</b> Data not available
<b>Odor threshold:</b> Data not available	<b>Explosion limits: Lower / Upper:</b> Data not available	<b>Decomposition temperature:</b> Data not available
<b>pH:</b> Data not available	<b>Vapor pressure (mm Hg):</b> Data not available	<b>Viscosity:</b> Data not available
<b>Melting / Freezing point:</b> Data not available	<b>Vapor density (Air = 1):</b> Data not available	<b>Molecular formula:</b> AlCl <sub>3</sub> ·6H <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Boiling point:</b> Data not available	<b>Relative density (Specific gravity):</b> 2.398-2.440 @ 20°C	<b>Molecular weight:</b> 241.43
<b>Flash point:</b> Non flammable	<b>Solubility(ies):</b> 456 g/L H <sub>2</sub> O @ 20°C	

## Section 10 Stability &amp; Reactivity

**Chemical stability:** Stable

**Hazardous polymerization:** Will not occur.

**Conditions to avoid:** Excessive temperatures, heat, moisture.

**Incompatible materials:** Reacts violently with water. Alcohols.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Aluminum oxides and hydrogen chloride gas. Decomposition yields highly toxic fumes of hydrochloric acid.

## Section 11 Toxicological Information

**Acute toxicity:** Oral-rat LD50: 3311 mg/kg [anhydrous]

**Skin corrosion/irritation:** Skin-rabbit - causes burns

**Serious eye damage/irritation:** Eyes-rabbit - causes damage

**Respiratory or skin sensitization:** Data not available

**Germ cell mutagenicity:** Data not available

**Carcinogenicity:** Data not available

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

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**Reproductive toxicity:** Data not available

**STOT-single exposure:** Data not available

**STOT-repeated exposure:** Data not available

**Aspiration hazard:** Data not available

**Potential health effects:**

Inhalation: Inhalation causes burning sensation, cough, laboured breathing, shortness of breath, sore throat.

Ingestion: Ingestion causes abdominal pain, burning sensation, shock or collapse.

Skin: Contact causes skin burns.

Eyes: Contact causes severe deep burns.

**Signs and symptoms of exposure:** Exercise appropriate procedures to minimize potential hazards.

**Additional information:** RTECS #: BD0525000 [anhydrous]

## Section 12 Ecological Information

**Toxicity to fish:** Gambusia affinis (fish, fresh water), LC50 = 29.6 mg/L/24 hours [anhydrous]

**Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates:** Daphnia magna (Crustacea), EC50 = 70 mg/L/24 hours [anhydrous]

**Toxicity to algae:** Chlorella vulgaris (Algae), EC50 = .225 mg/L/4 months [anhydrous]

**Persistence and degradability:** No data available

**Bioaccumulative potential:** No data available

**Mobility in soil:** No data available

**PBT and vPvB assessment:** No data available

**Other adverse effects:** An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

## Section 13 Disposal Considerations

These disposal guidelines are intended for the disposal of catalog-size quantities only. Federal regulations may apply to empty container. State and/or local regulations may be different. Dispose of in accordance with all local, state and federal regulations or contract with a licensed chemical disposal agency.

## Section 14 Transport Information (US DOT / CANADA TDG)

**UN/NA number:** UN1759

**Shipping name:** Corrosive solids, n.o.s., (Aluminum chloride, hexahydrate)

**Hazard class:** 8

**Packing group:** III

**Reportable Quantity:** No


**Marine pollutant:** No

**Exceptions:** Limited quantity equal to or less than 5 Kg

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## Section 15 Regulatory Information

A chemical is considered to be listed if the CAS number for the anhydrous form is on the Inventory list.

Component	TSCA	CERLCA (RQ)	RCRA code	DSL	NDSL	WHMIS Classification
Aluminum chloride	Listed	Not listed	Not listed	Listed	Not listed	 E

## Section 16 Additional Information

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