

Section 1 Chemical Product and Company Information

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Product COBALT NITRATE, HEXAHYDRATE

Synonyms Cobalt(II) Nitrate, Hexahydrate ; Cobaltous Nitrate, Hexahydrate

Section 2 Hazards Identification

Signal word: DANGER

Pictograms: GHS03 / GHS05 / GHS07 / GHS08 / GHS09

Target organs: Kidneys, Lungs, Thyroid

**GHS Classification:**

Oxidizing solid (Category 2)
Acute toxicity, oral (Category 4)
Skin sensitization (Category 1)
Eye damage (Category 1)
Mutagenicity (Category 2)
Carcinogenicity (Category 1B)
Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B)
Aquatic acute (Category 1)
Aquatic chronic (Category 1)

GHS Label information: Hazard statement:

H272: May intensify fire; oxidizer.
H302: Harmful if swallowed.
H317: May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H318: Causes serious eye damage.
H341: Suspected of causing genetic defects.
H350: May cause cancer.
H360: May damage fertility or the unborn child.
H400: Very toxic to aquatic life.
H410: Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement:

P201: Obtain special instructions before use.
P202: Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P210: Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.
P220: Keep away from clothing/incompatible/combustible materials.
P221: Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles/acids/oxidizers.
P261: Avoid breathing dust.
P264: Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P270: Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P272: Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
P273: Avoid release to the environment.
P280: Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301+P330+P312: IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell.
P302+P352: IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water and soap.
P333+P313: If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical attention.
P308+P313: IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention.
P305+P351+P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor.
P362+P364: Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P370+P378: In case of fire: Use water to extinguish.
P391: Collect spillage.
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, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS #	%	EINECS
Cobalt nitrate	10026-22-9	100%	233-402-1 (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 IRRITATION. 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: MAY BE HARMFUL IF ABSORBED THROUGH SKIN. CAUSES SKIN IRRITATION. Remove contaminated clothing. Flush thoroughly with mild soap and water. If irritation occurs, get medical attention.

Section 5 Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media: Use water. Do not use dry chemicals or foams. CO₂ or Halon® may provide limited control.

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. In contact with easily oxidizable substances it may react rapidly enough to cause ignition, violent combustion or explosion.

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: Remove all sources of ignition. 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 ignition sources.

Section 8 Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Exposure Limits:	Chemical Name	ACGIH (TLV)	OSHA (PEL)	NIOSH (REL)
	Cobalt and inorganic compounds, as Co	TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³ (A3)	TWA: 0.1 mg/m ³ metal dust and fume	TWA: 0.05 mg/m ³ metal dust and fume

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 & Chemical Properties

Appearance: Solid. Small red flakes
Odor: Slight nitric acid odor.
Odor threshold: Data not available.
pH: Data not available.
Melting / Freezing point: 55°C (131°F)
Boiling point: Data not available
Flash point: Data not available

Evaporation rate (Butyl acetate = 1): Data not available
Flammability (solid/gas): Data not available.
Explosion limits: Lower / Upper: Data not available
Vapor pressure (mm Hg): Data not available
Vapor density (Air = 1): Data not available
Relative density (Specific gravity): 1.88
Solubility(ies): Soluble in water.

Partition coefficient: Data not available
Auto-ignition temperature: Data not available
Decomposition temperature: Data not available.
Viscosity: Data not available.
Molecular formula: Co(NO₃)₂•6H₂O
Molecular weight: 291.03

Section 10 Stability & Reactivity

Chemical stability: Stable
Hazardous polymerization: Will not occur.
Conditions to avoid: Excessive temperatures, heat, sparks, open flame and other sources of ignition. Moisture.
Incompatible materials: Oxidizers.
Hazardous decomposition products: Nitrogen oxides.

Section 11 Toxicological Information

Acute toxicity: Oral-rat LD50: 691 mg/kg
Skin corrosion/irritation: Data not available
Serious eye damage/irritation: Data not available
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 classified: Group 2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans.
 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.
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: Harmful if inhaled.
 Ingestion: Harmful if ingested.
 Skin: Contact causes irritation or acid burns.
 Eyes: Contact causes irritation or acid burns.
Signs and symptoms of exposure: The substance is irritating to skin, eyes and respiratory tract. Repeated or prolonged inhalation may cause asthma. This substance is possibly carcinogenic to humans. Exercise appropriate procedures to minimize potential hazards.
Additional information: RTECS #: QU7355500

Section 12 Ecological Information

Toxicity to fish: LC50 (Fresh water) = 1.5 µg/L
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: LC50 (Fresh water) = 0.61 mg/L
Toxicity to algae: LC50 (Fresh water) = 144 µg/L
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: UN3085 **Shipping name:** Oxidizing solid, corrosive, n.o.s., (Cobalt dinitrate)
Hazard class: 5.1, (8) **Packing group:** III **Reportable Quantity:** No **Marine pollutant:** No
Exceptions: Limited quantity equal to or less than 5 Kg **2012 ERG Guide #** 140

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
Cobaltous nitrate hexhydrate	Listed	Not listed	D001	Not listed	Not listed	C ; D2A ; D2B



Section 16 Additional Information

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