

## **MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# **Copper Sulphate**

## Section 01 - Chemical And Product And Company Information

Product Identifier ...... Cupric Sulphate

Product Use ...... Industrial manufacturing, algaecide, fungicide, herbicide, pesticide, animal

feed additive

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## Section 02 - Composition / Information on Ingredients

Hazardous Ingredients..... Copper Sulphate Pentahydrate

99%

CAS Number......Copper Sulphate Pentahydrate

7758-99-8

Synonym (s)......Cupric sulphate, Bluestone, copper (II) sulphate



#### Section 03 - Hazard Identification

Exposure Limits...... OSHA/PEL-TWA: 1.0mg/m<sup>3</sup>
ACGIH/TLV-TWA: 1.0mg/m<sup>3</sup>
NIOSH/REL-TWA: 1.0mg/m<sup>3</sup>

#### Section 04 - First Aid Measures

Skin Contact / Absorption............. Remove contaminated clothing. Wash affected area with soap and water. Seek medical attention if irritation occurs or persists.

Additional Information...... Not available

#### Section 05 - Fire Fighting

Conditions of Flammability...... Non-flammable



waterways.

Flash Point...... Not applicable

Auto-ignition Temperature...... Not applicable

Upper Flammable Limit ...... Not applicable

Lower Flammable Limit..... Not applicable

Hazardous Combustible Products.... At temperatures above 600°C the material will decompose into cupric

oxide and sulphur dioxide.

Special Fire Fighting Procedures..... Wear NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus and protective

clothing.

Explosion Hazards...... Not available

#### Section 06 - Accidental Release Measures

Leak / Spill...... Wear appropriate personal protective equipment if required. Stop or reduce

leak if safe to do so. Vacuum or sweep up spilled material, making sure to avoid generation of dust. If material is diluted in water, prevent from entering sewers and carefully neutralize with lime or soda ash to form insoluble copper salts which should be disposed of by approved method.

Deactivating Materials..... Lime or soda ash

#### Section 07 - Handling and Storage

Handling Procedures...... Use proper equipment for lifting and transporting all containers. Use sensible industrial hygiene and housekeeping practices. Wash thoroughly

after handling. Avoid all situations that could lead to harmful exposure.

Storage Requirements...... Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed, and

away from incompatible materials. Storage materials compatible for copper sulphate storage include stainless steel, fiberglass, polypropylene, PVC or other plastic material. Keep away from galvanized piping and nylon

material.



#### Section 08 - Personal Protection and Exposure Controls

**Protective Equipment** 

all times when product is handled. Contact lenses should not be worn; they

may contribute to severe eye injury.

Respiratory ....... Respiratory protection is not normally required if handling crystal or

granular material. If handling the powdered form of copper sulphate produces dust, then a NIOSH or MSHA approved air-purifying respirator is needed. For concentrations ten times greater than occupational exposure

limits use a self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

Gloves...... Impervious gloves of chemically resistant material should be worn at all

times. Wash contaminated clothing and dry thoroughly before reuse.

Clothing ...... Body suits, aprons, and/or coveralls of chemical resistant material should

be worn at all times. Wash contaminated clothing and dry thoroughly

before reuse.

Footwear...... Impervious boots of chemically resistant material should be worn.

**Engineering Controls** 

Ventilation Requirements...... Mechanical ventilation (dilution or local exhaust), process or personnel

enclosure and control of process conditions should be provided. Supply sufficient replacement air to make up for air removed by exhaust systems.

proximity to work area.

#### Section 09 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State..... Solid

Odor and Appearance...... Transparent blue crystals, granules or powder

Odor Threshold...... Not available

Specific Gravity (Water=1)...... 2.284 at 15.6°C

Vapor Pressure (mm Hg, 20°C)....... Not applicable

Vapor Density (Air=1)..... Not applicable



Evaporation Rate...... Not applicable

Boiling Point...... Not applicable

Freeze/Melting Point...... Decomposes at 560°C. Copper sulphate pentahydrate loses two water

molecules of hydration at 30°C, 2 more at 110°C and becomes anhydrous

by 250°C.

**pH.....** 4.0 (5% solution)

Water/Oil Distribution Coefficient..... Not available

Bulk Density...... Not available

% Volatiles by Volume...... Not available

Solubility in Water...... 83.1g/100 mL at 30°C

Molecular Formula...... CuSO4-5H2O

Molecular Weight...... 249.68

### Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Stability...... Stable

hypobromite and nitromethane can be corrosive to most ferrous

based metals when moist.

Hazardous Products of Decomposition.... Contact with magnesium metal can generate dangerous levels of

hydrogen gas. Aluminum will evolve less hydrogen gas upon contact. Copper dust or mist may react with acetylene gas to form shock sensitive copper acetylides. Contact with hydroxylamine will ignite hydroxylamine. Copper sulphate is very hygroscopic and will absorb

moisture from the air to form a solution.

Polymerization...... Will not occur

#### Section 11 - Toxicological Information

Irritancy...... Strong eye irritant. May cause skin irritation.



Chronic/Acute Effects...... Severe exposure or chronic exposure by ingestion or inhalation of copper

sulphate may induce severe gastroenteric distress (vomiting, gastroenteric pain, local corrosion, and hemorrhages), a metallic taste in the mouth, prostration, anuria, hematuria, anemia, an increase in white blood cells, coma, respiration difficulties, and circulatory problems. Prolonged skin contact may cause irritation and eczema. Chronic inhalation may result in

anemia.

Synergistic Materials..... Data not available

Animal Toxicity Data...... LD<sub>50</sub>(oral, rat): 352mg/kg

LD<sub>50</sub>(dermal, rabbit): > 5050mg/kg

Carcinogenicity...... Not considered to be carcinogenic (IARC, OSHA, ACGIH and NTP).

Reproductive Toxicity...... Not available

Teratogenicity...... Not available

Mutagenicity...... Data not available

#### Section 12 - Ecological Information

Fish Toxicity...... LC<sub>50</sub>(daphnia, 24 hour): 600ppb

LC<sub>50</sub>(blue crab,24 hour): 6.9mg/L LC<sub>50</sub>(pink shrimp, 48 hour): 17 mg/L

Biodegradability...... Not available

Environmental Effects...... This product is toxic to fish and aquatic organisms. Do not apply directly to

water except as directed under specific instructions. Prevent drift and run off from treated areas. In soil, copper can be particularly toxic to

invertebrates and phytotoxic to plants at elevated concentrations with soil

properties being regulating factors.

#### Section 13 - Disposal Consideration

Waste Disposal................. Dispose in accordance with all federal, provincial, and/or local regulations including the Canadian Environmental Protection Act.

#### **Section 14 - Transportation Information**

**TDG Classification** 



Group...... III

PIN Number...... UN 3077

Other...... Secure containers (full and/or empty) with suitable hold down devises

during shipment.

#### Section 15 - Regulatory Information

WHMIS Classification......D1, D2, E

NOTE: THE PRODUCT LISTED ON THIS MSDS HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HAZARD CRITERIA OF THE CANADIAN CONTROLLED PRODUCTS REGULATIONS. THIS MSDS CONTAINS ALL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THOSE REGULATIONS.

#### Section 16 - Other Information

**Note:** The responsibility to provide a safe workplace remains with the user. The user should consider the health hazards and safety information contained herein as a guide and should take those precautions required in an individual operation to instruct employees and develop work practice procedures for a safe work environment. The information contained herein is, to the best of our knowledge and belief, accurate. However, since the conditions of handling and use are beyond our control, we make no guarantee of results, and assume no liability for damages incurred by the use of this material. It is the responsibility of the user to comply with all applicable laws and regulations.

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