

# **Japanese Granulated Chlorine 700**

# POPS Group (The POPS Group Pty Ltd as Trustee for The Pool Shops Trust)

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Safety Data Sheet according to WHS Regulations (Hazardous Chemicals) Amendment 2020 and ADG requirements

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### SECTION 1 Identification of the substance / mixture and of the company / undertaking

### **Product Identifier**

Product name	Japanese Granulated Chlorine 700
Chemical Name	Not Applicable
Synonyms	Not Available
Proper shipping name	CALCIUM HYPOCHLORITE, HYDRATED MIXTURE, CORROSIVE, with not less than 5.5% but not more than 16% water
Chemical formula	Not Applicable
Other means of identification	Not Available

### Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses Swimming pool chemical, algicide, biocide, oxidant. Use according to manufacturer's directions.

### Details of the manufacturer or supplier of the safety data sheet

Registered company name	POPS Group (The POPS Group Pty Ltd as Trustee for The Pool Shops Trust)		
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### Emergency telephone number

Association / Organisation	IXOM
Emergency telephone numbers	+61 3 9663 2130 (International) (24 hours)
Other emergency telephone numbers	+61 1800 033 111

### **SECTION 2 Hazards identification**

### Classification of the substance or mixture

Poisons Schedule	S6
Classification <sup>[1]</sup>	Oxidizing Solids Category 2, Acute Toxicity (Oral) Category 4, Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 1B, Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1, Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment Acute Hazard Category 1
Legend:	1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HCIS; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI

### Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)









Signal word

Danger

### Hazard statement(s)

H272

May intensify fire; oxidiser.

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H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.
AUH031	Contact with acid liberates toxic gas.

### Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.			
P260	Do not breathe dust/fume.			
P264	Wash all exposed external body areas thoroughly after handling.			
P280	Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection and face protection.			
P220	Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.			
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.			
P273	Avoid release to the environment.			

### Precautionary statement(s) Response

P301+P330+P331	F SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. If more than 15 mins from Doctor, INDUCE VOMITING (if conscious).					
P303+P361+P353	N SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water [or shower].					
P305+P351+P338	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/doctor/physician/first aider.					
P370+P378	case of fire: Use water jets to extinguish.					
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.					
P391	Collect spillage.					
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician/first aider if you feel unwell.					
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.					

### Precautionary statement(s) Storage

P405 Store locked up.

### Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to authorised hazardous or special waste collection point in accordance with any local regulation.

### **SECTION 3 Composition / information on ingredients**

### Substances

See section below for composition of Mixtures

### Mixtures

CAS No	%[weight]	Name			
7778-54-3	>70	calcium hypochlorite, hydrated			
1305-62-0	1-5	calcium hydroxide			
7732-18-5	9-16	<u>water</u>			
Legend:	1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HCIS; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI; 4. Classification drawn from C&L * EU IOELVs available				

### **SECTION 4 First aid measures**

Description	of	first	aid	measures
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Eye Contact	If this product comes in contact with the eyes:  Immediately hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water.  Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.  Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.  Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.  Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.
Skin Contact	If skin or hair contact occurs:  Immediately flush body and clothes with large amounts of water, using safety shower if available.  Quickly remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.  Wash skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre.  Transport to hospital, or doctor.
Inhalation	<ul> <li>If dust is inhaled, remove from contaminated area.</li> <li>Encourage patient to blow nose to ensure clear breathing passages.</li> <li>Ask patient to rinse mouth with water but to not drink water.</li> <li>Seek immediate medical attention.</li> <li>Inhalation of vapours or aerosols (mists, fumes) may cause lung oedema.</li> <li>Corrosive substances may cause lung damage (e.g. lung oedema, fluid in the lungs).</li> <li>As this reaction may be delayed up to 24 hours after exposure, affected individuals need complete rest (preferably in semi-recumbent posture) and must be kept under medical observation even if no symptoms are (yet) manifested.</li> </ul>

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Before any such manifestation, the administration of a spray containing a dexamethasone derivative or beclomethasone derivative may be considered.

This must definitely be left to a doctor or person authorised by him/her.

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For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor at once.

Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed.

If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting.

If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.

Observe the patient carefully.

Never give liquid to a person showing signs of being sleepy or with reduced awareness; i.e. becoming unconscious.

Give water to rinse out mouth, then provide liquid slowly and as much as casualty can comfortably drink.

Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.

#### Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

For acute or repeated exposures to hypochlorite solutions:

- Release of small amounts of hypochlorous acid and acid gases from the stomach following ingestion, is usually too low to cause damage but may be irritating to mucous membranes. Buffering with antacid may be helpful if discomfort is evident.
- Evaluate as potential caustic exposure.
- ▶ Decontaminate skin and eyes with copious saline irrigation. Check exposed eyes for corneal abrasions with fluorescein staining.
- Emesis or lavage and catharsis may be indicated for mild caustic exposure.
- ▶ Chlorine exposures require evaluation of acid/base and respiratory status.
- Inhalation of vapours or mists may result in pulmonary oedema.

ELLENHORN and BARCELOUX: Medical Toxicology.

Excellent warning properties force rapid escape of personnel from chlorine vapour thus most inhalations are mild to moderate. If escape is not possible, exposure to high concentrations for a very short time can result in dyspnea, haemophysis and cyanosis with later complications being tracheobroncho-pneumonitis and pulmonary oedema. Oxygen, intermittent positive pressure breathing apparatus and aerosolysed bronchodilators are of therapeutic value where chlorine inhalation has been light to moderate. Severe inhalation should result in hospitalisation and treatment for a respiratory emergency.

Any chlorine inhalation in an individual with compromised pulmonary function (COPD) should be regarded as a severe inhalation and a respiratory emergency. [CCINFO, Dow 1988] Effects from exposure to chlorine gas include pulmonary oedema which may be delayed. Observation in hospital for 48 hours is recommended

Diagnosed asthmatics and those people suffering from certain types of chronic bronchitis should receive medical approval before being employed in occupations involving chlorine exposure.

If burn is present, treat as any thermal burn, after decontamination.

Depending on the degree of exposure, periodic medical examination is indicated. The symptoms of lung oedema often do not manifest until a few hours have passed and they are aggravated by physical effort. Rest and medical observation is therefore essential. Immediate administration of an appropriate spray, by a doctor or a person authorised by him/her should be considered.

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#### **SECTION 5 Firefighting measures**

### Extinguishing media

FOR SMALL FIRE:

- ► USE FLOODING QUANTITIES OF WATER.
- ▶ DO NOT use dry chemical, CO2, foam or halogenated-type extinguishers.

FOR LARGE FIRE

▶ Flood fire area with water from a protected position

### Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

Fire Incompatibility

- Avoid storage with reducing agents.
- Avoid any contamination of this material as it is very reactive and any contamination is potentially hazardous

### Advice for firefighters

Advisor or mongritors	
Fire Fighting	<ul> <li>Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.</li> <li>May be violently or explosively reactive.</li> <li>Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.</li> <li>Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.</li> <li>Fight fire from a safe distance, with adequate cover.</li> <li>Extinguishers should be used only by trained personnel.</li> <li>Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area.</li> <li>DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.</li> <li>Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.</li> <li>If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.</li> <li>If fire gets out of control withdraw personnel and warn against entry.</li> <li>Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.</li> </ul>
Fire/Explosion Hazard	<ul> <li>Will not burn but increases intensity of fire.</li> <li>Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.</li> <li>Heat affected containers remain hazardous.</li> <li>Contact with combustibles such as wood, paper, oil or finely divided metal may produce spontaneous combustion or violent decomposition.</li> <li>May emit irritating, poisonous or corrosive fumes.</li> <li>Decomposition may produce toxic fumes of:</li> <li>hydrogen chloride</li> </ul>
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### **SECTION 6 Accidental release measures**

## Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See section 8

### **Environmental precautions**

See section 12

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#### Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

- Drains for storage or use areas should have retention basins for pH adjustments and dilution of spills before discharge or disposal of material.
- Check regularly for spills and leaks.
- ► Clean up all spills immediately.
- No smoking, naked lights, ignition sources.
- Avoid all contact with any organic matter including fuel, solvents, sawdust, paper or cloth and other incompatible materials, as ignition may result.
- Avoid breathing dust or vapours and all contact with skin and eyes.
- ▶ Control personal contact with the substance, by using protective equipment.
- ▶ Contain and absorb spill with dry sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite.
- DO NOT use sawdust as fire may result
- Scoop up solid residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- ▶ Neutralise/decontaminate area.

#### Clear area of personnel and move upwind.

- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- May be violently or explosively reactive.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.
- No smoking, flames or ignition sources.
- Increase ventilation.
- Major Spills

Minor Spills

- Contain spill with sand, earth or other clean, inert materials.
- ▶ NEVER USE organic absorbents such as sawdust, paper or cloth.
- Use spark-free and explosion-proof equipment.
- Collect any recoverable product into labelled containers for possible recycling.
- Avoid contamination with organic matter to prevent subsequent fire and explosion.
- DO NOT mix fresh with recovered material
- Collect residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- Wash area and prevent runoff into drains.
- Decontaminate equipment and launder all protective clothing before storage and re-use.
- If contamination of drains or waterways occurs advise emergency services.

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS.

#### **SECTION 7 Handling and storage**

#### Precautions for safe handling

For oxidisers, including peroxides.

- · Avoid personal contact and inhalation of dust, mist or vapours.
- · Provide adequate ventilation.
- · Always wear protective equipment and wash off any spillage from clothing.
- $\cdot$  Keep material away from light, heat, flammables or combustibles.
- · Keep cool, dry and away from incompatible materials.
- · Avoid physical damage to containers.
- DO NOT repack or return unused portions to original containers. Withdraw only sufficient amounts for immediate use.
- · Use only minimum quantity required.
- · Avoid using solutions of peroxides in volatile solvents. Solvent evaporation should be controlled to avoid dangerous concentration of the peroxide.
- $\cdot \, \text{Do NOT allow oxidisers to contact iron or compounds of iron, cobalt, or copper, metal oxide salts, acids or bases.} \\$
- · Do NOT use metal spatulas to handle oxidisers
- $\cdot$  Do NOT use glass containers with screw cap lids or glass stoppers.
- · Store peroxides at the lowest possible temperature, consistent with their solubility and freezing point.
- CAUTION: Do NOT store liquids or solutions of peroxides at a temperature below that at which the oxidiser freezes or precipitates. Peroxides, in particular, in this form are extremely shock and heat-sensitive. Refrigerated storage of peroxides must ONLY be in explosion-proof units.

   The hazards and consequences of fires and explosions during synthesis and use of oxidisers is widely recognised; spontaneous or induced
- decomposition may culminate in a variety of ways, ranging from moderate gassing to spontaneous ignition or explosion. The heat released from spontaneous decomposition of an energy-rich compound causes a rise in the surrounding temperature; the temperature will rise until thermal balance is established or until the material heats to decomposition,
- The most effective means for minimising the consequences of an accident is to limit quantities to a practical minimum. Even gram-scale explosions can be serious. Once ignited the burning of peroxides cannot be controlled and the area should be evacuated.
- Unless there is compelling reason to do otherwise, peroxide concentration should be limited to 10% (or less with vigorous reactants). Peroxide concentration is rarely as high as 1% in the reaction mixture of polymerisation or other free-radical reactions,
- Oxidisers should be added slowly and cautiously to the reaction medium. This should be completed prior to heating and with good agitation.
- · Addition oxidisers to the hot monomer is extremely dangerous. A violent reaction (e.g., fire or explosion) can result from inadvertent mixing of promoters (frequently used with peroxides in polymerisation systems) with full-strength oxidisers
- Organic peroxides are very sensitive to contamination (especially heavy-metal compounds, metal oxide salts, alkaline materials including amines, strong acids, and many varieties of dust and dirt). This can initiate rapid, uncontrolled decomposition of peroxides and possible generation of intense heat, fire or explosion The consequences of accidental contamination from returning withdrawn material to the storage container can be disastrous.
- · When handling NEVER smoke, eat or drink.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- · Use only good occupational work practice.
- $\cdot \ \mathsf{Observe} \ \mathsf{manufacturer's} \ \mathsf{storage} \ \mathsf{and} \ \mathsf{handling} \ \mathsf{recommendations} \ \mathsf{contained} \ \mathsf{within} \ \mathsf{this} \ \mathsf{MSDS}.$

Other information

Safe handling

- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed as supplied.
- Store in a cool, well ventilated area
- ► Keep dry.
- Store under cover and away from sunlight.
- ▶ Store away from flammable or combustible materials, debris and waste. Contact may cause fire or violent reaction.
- ▶ Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.
- DO NOT stack on wooden floors or pallets
- ▶ Protect containers from physical damage.
- Check regularly for leaks
- ▶ Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.

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In addition, Goods of Class 5.1, packing group II should be:

- stored in piles so that
- ▶ the height of the pile does not exceed 1 metre
- the maximum quantity in a pile or building does not exceed 1000 tonnes unless the area is provided with automatic fire extinguishers
- the maximum height of a pile does not exceed 3 metres where the room is provided with automatic fire extinguishers or 2 meters if not.
- the minimum distance between piles is not less than 2 metres where the room is provided with automatic fire extinguishers or 3 meters if not.
- the minimum distance to walls is not less than 1 metre.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Liquid inorganic hypochlorites shall not to be transported in unlined metal drums. Inner packagings shall be fitted with vented closures and plastics drums and carboys shall have vented closures or be performance tested to a minimum of 250 kPa. All non-vented packagings shall be filled so that the ullage is at least 10% at 21-25 deg.C. Vented packagings may be filled to an ullage not less than 5% at 21-25 deg.C, provided that this ullage does not result in leakage from, nor distortion of, the packaging.

- Glass container is suitable for laboratory quantities
- ▶ DO NOT repack. Use containers supplied by manufacturer only.

For low viscosity materials

- Drums and jerricans must be of the non-removable head type.
- ▶ Where a can is to be used as an inner package, the can must have a screwed enclosure.

For materials with a viscosity of at least 2680 cSt. (23 deg. C) and solids:

- Suitable container Removable head packaging and
  - b cans with friction closures may be used.

Where combination packages are used, and the inner packages are of glass, there must be sufficient inert cushioning material in contact with inner and outer packages \*

In addition, where inner packagings are glass and contain liquids of packing group I and II there must be sufficient inert absorbent to absorb any spillage \*.

\* unless the outer packaging is a close fitting moulded plastic box and the substances are not incompatible with the plastic.

#### Contact with acids produces toxic fumes

- Inorganic peroxy compounds are potent oxidisers that pose fire or explosive hazards when in contact with ordinary combustible materials.
- Inorganic peroxides react with organic compounds to generate organic peroxide and hydroperoxide products that react violently with
- Inorganic oxidising agents can react with reducing agents to generate heat and products that may be gaseous (causing pressurization of closed containers). The products may themselves be capable of further reactions (such as combustion in the air).
- Organic compounds in general have some reducing power and can in principle react with compounds in this class. Actual reactivity varies greatly with the identity of the organic compound.
- Inorganic oxidising agents can react violently with active metals, cyanides, esters, and thiocyanates.
- Peroxides, in contact with inorganic cobalt and copper compounds, iron and iron compounds, acetone, metal oxide salts and acids and bases can react with rapid, uncontrolled decomposition, leading to fires and explosions.
- Inorganic reducing agents react with oxidizing agents to generate heat and products that may be flammable, combustible, or otherwise reactive. Their reactions with oxidizing agents may be violent.
- Incidents involving interaction of active oxidants and reducing agents, either by design or accident, are usually very energetic and examples of so-called redox reactions

Contact with acids produces toxic fumes of chlorine

- Avoid any contamination of this material as it is very reactive and any contamination is potentially hazardous
- Avoid storage with reducing agents.

### **SECTION 8 Exposure controls / personal protection**

### Control parameters

### Occupational Exposure Limits (OEL)

Storage incompatibility

### INGREDIENT DATA

Source	Ingredient	Material name	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notes
Australia Exposure Standards	calcium hydroxide	Calcium hydroxide	5 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available

### **Emergency Limits**

Ingredient	TEEL-1	TEEL-2	TEEL-3
calcium hypochlorite, hydrated	2.6 mg/m3	28 mg/m3	170 mg/m3
calcium hydroxide	15 mg/m3	240 mg/m3	1,500 mg/m3

Ingredient	Original IDLH	Revised IDLH
calcium hypochlorite, hydrated	Not Available	Not Available
calcium hydroxide	Not Available	Not Available
water	Not Available	Not Available

### **Occupational Exposure Banding**

Ingredient	Occupational Exposure Band Rating	Occupational Exposure Band Limit	
calcium hypochlorite, hydrated	E	≤ 0.01 mg/m³	
Notes:	Occupational exposure banding is a process of assigning chemicals into specific categories or bands based on a chemical's potency and the adverse health outcomes associated with exposure. The output of this process is an occupational exposure band (OEB), which corresponds to a range of exposure concentrations that are expected to protect worker health.		

### MATERIAL DATA

### **Exposure controls**

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Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection.

The basic types of engineering controls are:

Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk.

Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment. Ventilation can remove or dilute an air contaminant if designed properly. The design of a ventilation system must match the particular process and chemical or contaminant in use.

Employers may need to use multiple types of controls to prevent employee overexposure.

- Local exhaust ventilation is required where solids are handled as powders or crystals; even when particulates are relatively large, a certain proportion will be powdered by mutual friction.
- If in spite of local exhaust an adverse concentration of the substance in air could occur, respiratory protection should be considered. Such protection might consist of:
- (a): particle dust respirators, if necessary, combined with an absorption cartridge;
- (b): filter respirators with absorption cartridge or canister of the right type:
- (c): fresh-air hoods or masks.

Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

### Appropriate engineering controls

Type of Contaminant:	Air Speed:
direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)	1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min.)
grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).	2.5-10 m/s (500-2000 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range	Upper end of the range
1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture	1: Disturbing room air currents
2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only.	2: Contaminants of high toxicity
3: Intermittent, low production.	3: High production, heavy use
4: Large hood or large air mass in motion	4: Small hood-local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 4-10 m/s (800-2000 f/min) for extraction of crusher dusts generated 2 metres distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

#### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment









# Eye and face protection

- ▶ Safety glasses with unperforated side shields may be used where continuous eye protection is desirable, as in laboratories; spectacles are not sufficient where complete eye protection is needed such as when handling bulk-quantities, where there is a danger of splashing, or if the
- Chemical goggles. Whenever there is a danger of the material coming in contact with the eyes; goggles must be properly fitted. [AS/NZS 1337.1, EN166 or national equivalent]
- Full face shield (20 cm, 8 in minimum) may be required for supplementary but never for primary protection of eyes; these afford face
- Alternatively a gas mask may replace splash goggles and face shields.
- Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lenses or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59].

### Skin protection

See Hand protection below

► Elbow length PVC gloves

### NOTE:

- ▶ The material may produce skin sensitisation in predisposed individuals. Care must be taken, when removing gloves and other protective equipment, to avoid all possible skin contact.
- ▶ Contaminated leather items, such as shoes, belts and watch-bands should be removed and destroyed.

The selection of suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality which vary from manufacturer to manufacturer. Where the chemical is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.

The exact break through time for substances has to be obtained from the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed when making a final choice.

Personal hygiene is a key element of effective hand care. Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.

Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include:

- · frequency and duration of contact,
  - · chemical resistance of glove material,
  - · glove thickness and
  - dexterity

Select gloves tested to a relevant standard (e.g. Europe EN 374, US F739, AS/NZS 2161.1 or national equivalent).

- · When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 5 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 240 minutes according to EN 374, AS/NZS 2161.10.1 or national equivalent) is recommended.
- · When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 3 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 60 minutes according to EN 374, AS/NZS 2161.10.1 or national equivalent) is recommended.
- · Some glove polymer types are less affected by movement and this should be taken into account when considering gloves for long-term use.
- · Contaminated gloves should be replaced.

As defined in ASTM F-739-96 in any application, gloves are rated as:

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### Hands/feet protection

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- · Excellent when breakthrough time > 480 min
- · Good when breakthrough time > 20 min
- · Fair when breakthrough time < 20 min
- · Poor when glove material degrades

For general applications, gloves with a thickness typically greater than 0.35 mm, are recommended.

It should be emphasised that glove thickness is not necessarily a good predictor of glove resistance to a specific chemical, as the permeation efficiency of the glove will be dependent on the exact composition of the glove material. Therefore, glove selection should also be based on consideration of the task requirements and knowledge of breakthrough times.

Glove thickness may also vary depending on the glove manufacturer, the glove type and the glove model. Therefore, the manufacturers technical data should always be taken into account to ensure selection of the most appropriate glove for the task.

Note: Depending on the activity being conducted, gloves of varying thickness may be required for specific tasks. For example:

- · Thinner gloves (down to 0.1 mm or less) may be required where a high degree of manual dexterity is needed. However, these gloves are only likely to give short duration protection and would normally be just for single use applications, then disposed of.
- · Thicker gloves (up to 3 mm or more) may be required where there is a mechanical (as well as a chemical) risk i.e. where there is abrasion or puncture potential

Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.

- ► DO NOT wear cotton or cotton-backed gloves.
- DO NOT wear leather gloves.
- Promptly hose all spills off leather shoes or boots or ensure that such footwear is protected with PVC over-shoes.

#### **Body protection**

#### See Other protection below

#### Overalls

- ► PVC Apron.
- ▶ PVC protective suit may be required if exposure severe.
- Eyewash unit.
- Finsure there is ready access to a safety shower

#### Other protection

- Some plastic personal protective equipment (PPE) (e.g. gloves, aprons, overshoes) are not recommended as they may produce static
- For large scale or continuous use wear tight-weave non-static clothing (no metallic fasteners, cuffs or pockets).
   Non sparking safety or conductive footwear should be considered. Conductive footwear describes a boot or shoe with a sole made from a conductive compound chemically bound to the bottom components, for permanent control to electrically ground the foot an shall dissipate static electricity from the body to reduce the possibility of ignition of volatile compounds. Electrical resistance must range between 0 to 500,000 ohms. Conductive shoes should be stored in lockers close to the room in which they are worn. Personnel who have been issued conductive footwear should not wear them from their place of work to their homes and return.

#### Recommended material(s)

### **GLOVE SELECTION INDEX**

Glove selection is based on a modified presentation of the:

"Forsberg Clothing Performance Index".

The effect(s) of the following substance(s) are taken into account in the *computer-generated* selection:

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Material	СРІ
BUTYL	С
NATURAL RUBBER	С
NATURAL+NEOPRENE	С
NEOPRENE	С
PVA	С
VITON	С

\* CPI - Chemwatch Performance Index

A: Best Selection

B: Satisfactory; may degrade after 4 hours continuous immersion

C: Poor to Dangerous Choice for other than short term immersion

**NOTE:** As a series of factors will influence the actual performance of the glove, a final selection must be based on detailed observation. -

\* Where the glove is to be used on a short term, casual or infrequent basis, factors such as "feel" or convenience (e.g. disposability), may dictate a choice of gloves which might otherwise be unsuitable following long-term or frequent use. A qualified practitioner should be consulted.

#### Respiratory protection

Type B-P Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

Required Minimum Protection Factor	Half-Face Respirator	Full-Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
up to 10 x ES	B P1 Air-line*	-	B PAPR-P1
up to 50 x ES	Air-line**	B P2	B PAPR-P2
up to 100 x ES	-	B P3	-
		Air-line*	-
100+ x ES	-	Air-line**	B PAPR-P3

\* - Negative pressure demand \*\* - Continuous flow

A(All classes) = Organic vapours, B AUS or B1 = Acid gasses, B2 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), B3 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), E = Sulfur dioxide(SO2), G = Agricultural chemicals, K = Ammonia(NH3), Hg = Mercury, NO = Oxides of nitrogen, MB = Methyl bromide, AX = Low boiling point organic compounds(below 65 degC)

- $\cdot$  Respirators may be necessary when engineering and administrative controls do not adequately prevent exposures.
- · The decision to use respiratory protection should be based on professional judgment that takes into account toxicity information, exposure measurement data, and frequency and likelihood of the worker's exposure ensure users are not subject to high thermal loads which may result in heat stress or distress due to personal protective equipment (powered, positive flow, full face apparatus may be an option).
- · Published occupational exposure limits, where they exist, will assist in determining the adequacy of the selected respiratory protection. These may be government mandated or vendor recommended.
- $\cdot$  Certified respirators will be useful for protecting workers from inhalation of particulates when properly selected and fit tested as part of a complete respiratory protection program.
- · Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU)
- Use approved positive flow mask if significant quantities of dust becomes airborne.
- $\cdot$  Try to avoid creating dust conditions.

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### **SECTION 9 Physical and chemical properties**

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance White colour powder with chlorine odour; miscible with water.

Physical state Divided Solid Relative density (Water = 1) 2.35

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Odour	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Available
Odour threshold	Not Available	Auto-ignition temperature (°C)	Not Available
pH (as supplied)	>7	Decomposition temperature (°C)	177
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	Not Available	Viscosity (cSt)	Not Available
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	Not Available	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Not Applicable
Flash point (°C)	Not Applicable	Taste	Not Available
Evaporation rate	Not Available	Explosive properties	Not Available
Flammability	Not Applicable	Oxidising properties	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Applicable	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Applicable
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Applicable	Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Available
Vapour pressure (kPa)	Not Available	Gas group	Not Available
Solubility in water	Miscible	pH as a solution (1%)	Not Available
Vapour density (Air = 1)	Not Available	VOC g/L	Not Available

### **SECTION 10 Stability and reactivity**

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	<ul> <li>Unstable in the presence of incompatible materials.</li> <li>Product is considered stable under normal handling conditions.</li> <li>Prolonged exposure to heat.</li> <li>Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.</li> <li>Presence of elevated temperatures.</li> </ul>
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

### **SECTION 11 Toxicological information**

### Information on toxicological effects

Inhalation of alkaline corrosives may produce irritation of the respiratory tract with coughing, choking, pain and mucous membrane damage. Pulmonary oedema may develop in more severe cases; this may be immediate or in most cases following a latent period of 5-72 hours. Symptoms may include a tightness in the chest, dyspnoea, frothy sputum, cyanosis and dizziness. Findings may include hypotension, a weak and rapid pulse and moist rales.

Persons with impaired respiratory function, airway diseases and conditions such as emphysema or chronic bronchitis, may incur further disability if excessive concentrations of particulate are inhaled.

If prior damage to the circulatory or nervous systems has occurred or if kidney damage has been sustained, proper screenings should be conducted on individuals who may be exposed to further risk if handling and use of the material result in excessive exposures. Chlorine vapour is extremely irritating to the upper respiratory tract and lungs

### Inhaled

Symptoms of exposure to chlorine include coughing, choking, breathing difficulty, chest pain, headache, vomiting, pulmonary oedema. Inhalation may cause lung congestion, bronchitis and loss of consciousness. Effects may be delayed. Delayed effects of exposure to chlorine vapour can include shortness of breath, violent headaches, pulmonary oedema and pneumonia.

Earlier reports suggested that concentrations around 5 ppm chlorine caused respiratory complaints, corrosion of the teeth, inflammation of the mucous membranes of the nose and increased susceptibility to tuberculosis in chronically-exposed workers. Recent studies have not confirmed these findings. Concentrations too low to effect the lower respiratory tract may however irritate the eyes, nose and throat.

Amongst 29 volunteers exposed at 0.5, 1 or 2 ppm chlorine for 4 to 8 hours the following responses were recorded: itching or burning of the nose, itching or burning of the throat, production of tears, urge to cough, runny nose, nausea, headache, general discomfort, dizziness, drowsiness and shortness of breath

# Ingestion

Accidental ingestion of the material may be harmful; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 150 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual

ingestion of alkaline corrosives may produce immediate pain, and circumoral burns. Mucous membrane corrosive damage is characterised by a white appearance and soapy feel; this may then become brown, oedematous and ulcerated. Profuse salivation with an inability to swallow or speak may also result. Even where there is limited or no evidence of chemical burns, both the oesophagus and stomach may experience a burning pain; vomiting and diarrhoea may follow. The vomitus may be thick and may be slimy (mucous) and may eventually contain blood and shreds of mucosa. Epiglottal oedema may result in respiratory distress and asphyxia. Marked hypotension is symptomatic of shock; a weak and rapid pulse, shallow respiration and clammy skin may also be evident. Circulatory collapse may occur and, if uncorrected, may produce renal failure. Severe exposures may result in oesophageal or gastric perforation accompanied by mediastinitis, substernal pain, peritonitis, abdominal rigidity and fever. Although oesophageal, gastric or pyloric stricture may be evident initially, these may occur after weeks or even months and years. Death may be quick and results from asphyxia, circulatory collapse or aspiration of even minute amounts. Death may also be delayed as a result of perforation, pneumonia or the

effects of stricture formation.

Ingestion of hypochlorites may cause burning in the mouth and throat, abdominal cramps, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, pain and inflammation of the mouth and stomach, fall of blood pressure, shock, confusion, and delirium. Severe poisonings may lead to convulsion, coma and death. Ingestion irritates the mouth, throat, and stomach. The hypochlorous acid liberated in the stomach can cause wall perforation, toxemia, haemorrhage and death.

Necrosis and haemorrhage of the upper digestive tract, oedema and pulmonary emphysema were found on autopsy after suicidal ingestion, and methaemoglobinaemia was also reported in another fatal case

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The material can produce severe chemical burns following direct contact with the skin. Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material Contact may cause severe itchiness, skin lesions and mild eczema. A 5.25% solution of sodium hypochlorite applied to intact human skin for 4 hours and observed at 4, 24 and 48 hours resulted in exudation an slight sloughing of the skin on 4 of 7 subjects Skin Contact Two patients were reported with chronic allergic dermatitis of the hand related to sensitisation to sodium hypochlorite as the active component of laundry bleach Solution of material in moisture on the skin, or perspiration, may markedly increase skin corrosion and accelerate tissue destruction Entry into the blood-stream through, for example, cuts, abrasions, puncture wounds or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected. When applied to the eye(s) of animals, the material produces severe ocular lesions which are present twenty-four hours or more after instillation. Direct contact with alkaline corrosives may produce pain and burns. Oedema, destruction of the epithelium, corneal opacification and iritis may occur. In less severe cases these symptoms tend to resolve. In severe injuries the full extent of the damage may not be immediately apparent Eye with late complications comprising a persistent oedema, vascularisation and corneal scarring, permanent opacity, staphyloma, cataract, symblepharon and loss of sight. Hypochlorite in pool water at concentrations of 1 ppm chlorine or less is non irritating to eyes if the pH is higher than 7.2 (slightly alkaline). At lower pH, a sensation of stinging, smarting of eyes with transient reddening may occur but generally no injury. Repeated or prolonged exposure to corrosives may result in the erosion of teeth, inflammatory and ulcerative changes in the mouth and necrosis (rarely) of the jaw. Bronchial irritation, with cough, and frequent attacks of bronchial pneumonia may ensue. Gastrointestinal disturbances may also occur. Chronic exposures may result in dermatitis and/or conjunctivitis. There exists limited evidence that shows that skin contact with the material is capable either of inducing a sensitisation reaction in a significant number of individuals, and/or of producing positive response in experimental animals. Long term exposure to high dust concentrations may cause changes in lung function (i.e. pneumoconiosis) caused by particles less than 0.5 Chronic micron penetrating and remaining in the lung. A prime symptom is breathlessness. Lung shadows show on X-ray. Reduced respiratory capacity may result from chronic low level exposure to chlorine gas. Chronic poisoning may result in coughing, severe chest pains, sore throat and haemoptysis (bloody sputum). Moderate to severe exposures over 3 years produced decreased lung capacity in a number of workers. Delayed effects can include shortness of breath, violent headaches, pulmonary oedema and pneumonia. Amongst chloralkali workers exposed to mean concentrations of 0.15 ppm for an average of 10.9 years a generalised pattern of fatigue (exposures of 0.5 ppm and above) and a modest increased incidence of anxiety and dizziness were recorded. Leukocytosis and a lower haematocrit showed some relation to exposure. TOXICITY IRRITATION Japanese Granulated Chlorine Not Available Not Available TOXICITY IRRITATION calcium hypochlorite, hydrated Oral (Rat) LD50: 850 mg/kg<sup>[2]</sup> Not Available TOXICITY IRRITATION dermal (rat) LD50: >2000 mg/kg[1] Eye (rabbit): 10 mg - SEVERE calcium hydroxide Inhalation(Rat) LC50: >3 mg/l4h[1] Eye: adverse effect observed (irritating)<sup>[1]</sup> Oral (Rat) LD50: >2000 mg/kg[1] Skin: adverse effect observed (irritating)[1] IRRITATION TOXICITY water Not Available Oral (Rat) LD50: >90000 mg/kg[2] 1. Value obtained from Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Acute toxicity 2. Value obtained from manufacturer's SDS. Unless otherwise Legend: specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effect of chemical Substances Japanese Granulated Chlorine Oral (Rat) LD50: 790-1260 mg/kg 700 **CALCIUM HYPOCHLORITE,** Hypochlorite salts are classified by IARC as Group 3: NOT classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans. HYDRATED Evidence of carcinogenicity may be inadequate or limited in animal testing **CALCIUM HYDROXIDE** The material may produce severe irritation to the eye causing pronounced inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may produce conjunctivitis. CALCIUM HYPOCHLORITE, No significant acute toxicological data identified in literature search. **HYDRATED & WATER** Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ends. This may be due to a non-allergic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur after exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound. Main criteria for diagnosing RADS include the absence of previous airways disease in a non-atopic individual, with sudden onset of persistent CALCIUM HYPOCHLORITE. asthma-like symptoms within minutes to hours of a documented exposure to the irritant. Other criteria for diagnosis of RADS include a reversible **HYDRATED & CALCIUM** airflow pattern on lung function tests, moderate to severe bronchial hyperreactivity on methacholine challenge testing, and the lack of minimal **HYDROXIDE** lymphocytic inflammation, without eosinophilia. RADS (or asthma) following an irritating inhalation is an infrequent disorder with rates related to the concentration of and duration of exposure to the irritating substance. On the other hand, industrial bronchitis is a disorder that occurs as a result of exposure due to high concentrations of irritating substance (often particles) and is completely reversible after exposure ceases. The disorder is characterized by difficulty breathing, cough and mucus production. × Carcinogenicity **Acute Toxicity** Skin Irritation/Corrosion × Reproductivity v STOT - Single Exposure × Serious Eye Damage/Irritation Respiratory or Skin × × STOT - Repeated Exposure sensitisation

**Aspiration Hazard** 

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Legena:

- Data either not available or does not till the criteria for classification - Data available to make classification

### **SECTION 12 Ecological information**

#### **Toxicity**

	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species		Value	Source
Japanese Granulated Chlorine 700	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available		Not Available	Not Available
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Val	ue	Source
	EC50	48h	Crustacea	0.1	57-0.186mg/L	4
calcium hypochlorite,	EC50	96h	Algae or other aquatic plants	6.1	1mg/L	4
hydrated	EC50	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants	0.23	21-0.305mg/L	4
	NOEC(ECx)	24h	Fish	<0.0	01mg/l	1
	LC50	96h	Fish	0.0	16-0.033mg/l	4
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species		Value	Source
	EC50	48h	Crustacea		49.1mg/l	2
calcium hydroxide	EC50	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants		>14mg/l	2
	NOEC(ECx)	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants		14mg/l	2
	LC50	96h	Fish		33.8844mg/l	4
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species		Value	Source
water	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available		Not Available	Not Available
Legend:	Ecotox databas		CHA Registered Substances - Ecotoxicological Infor C Aquatic Hazard Assessment Data 6. NITE (Japan)			

Do NOT allow product to come in contact with surface waters or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when cleaning equipment or disposing of equipment wash-waters.

Wastes resulting from use of the product must be disposed of on site or at approved waste sites.

For chlorine:

### **Environmental fate:**

Atmospheric chlorine produced as a result of such process as disinfection forms hydrochloric (HCI) or hypochlorous (HOCI) acid in the atmosphere, either through reactions with hydroxy radicals or other trace species such as hydrocarbons. These acids are believed to removed from the atmosphere primarily through precipitation washout (i.e. wet deposition as chlorine is scrubbed out by rain in the subcloud layer) or dry deposition as gaseous chlorine contacts and reacts with the earths surface

Water chlorination, resulting from municipal and industrial wastewater treatment and cooling water disinfection, initially introduces chlorine into the water as chlorine gas, hypochlorite ion (OCI-), or its salt. These forms of chlorine are termed free residual chlorines (FRC). Chlorine in aqueous systems volatilises or quickly decays to residual forms such as hypochlorous acid, chloramine and chlorinated organics. Aquatic chemistry is determined by aquatic factors including pH, ammonium ion (which combines with chlorine to produce chloramine) and certain other reducing agents. Inorganic reducing agents in estuarine waters include sulfur, iron and manganese. Other organic compounds in water also contribute to chlorine decay rate. The reactions of chlorine or hypochlorites in water produce a number of by-products many of which have been implicated as genotoxic or tumourigenic. Chlorine, added to drinking water as chlorine gas (CI2) or hypochlorite salts (e.g., NaOCI), effectively inactivates bacteria in 20 minutes at concentrations of 0.03 to 0.06 mg/l at pH range of 7.0 to 8.5 and temperature range of 4 deg.C to 22 deg.C.

Chlorine disinfectants in wastewater react with organic matters, giving rise to organic chlorine compounds such as AOX (halogenated organic compounds absorbable on activated carbon), which are toxic for aquatic organisms and are persistent environmental contaminants.

Chlorine hydrolyses very rapidly in water (rate constants range from 1.5 x 10-4 at deg. C to 4.0 x 10-4 at 25 deg.C; half-life in natural waters, 0.005 seconds. In fresh and wastewaters at pH >6, complete hydrolysis occurs with the formation of hypochlorous acid (HOCI) and chloride ion (CI-). The hypochlorous acid ionizes to hydrogen ion (H+) and hypochlorite ion (OCI-). At pH values >5, OCI- predominates; at pH values <5, HOCI predominates. Free chlorine (CI2, HOCI, and OCI-) reacts rapidly with inorganics such as bromide and more slowly with organic material present in natural waters. These reactions yield chloride, oxidised organics, chloroorganics (including trihalomethanes), oxygen, nitrogen, chlorate, bromate and bromoorganics

Chlorines ultimate aqueous fate is chloride.

Vapourisation of molecular chlorine (Cl2) from water to the atmosphere may be significant at low pH values and high concentrations (e.g., pH 2 and 3500 mg/l chlorine), but is insignificant at neutral pH and low concentrations

Vegetation acts as an important sink for chlorine air pollution. Plant exposure to elevated levels of chlorine can cause plant injury; however chlorine tends to be rapidly converted to

Atmospheric: When chlorine, hypochlorous acid or hydrogen chloride mixes in the atmosphere with water vapour, dilute solutions of strong mineral acids are formed that fall to earth as acid rain, snow, and fog, or acidified dry particles

Chlorine may react with soil components to form chlorides; depending on their water solubility, these chlorides are easily washed out from the soil.

Bioaccumulation/ bioconcentration: There is no potential for the bioaccumulation or bioconcentration of chlorine.

Fish LC50 (96 h): 0.015-13.5 mg/l

Chlorine has high acute toxicity to aquatic organisms; many toxicity values are less than or equal to 1 mg/l. Twenty-four-hour LC50 values range from 0.076 to 0.16 mg/l for Daphnia magna (water flea) and from 0.005 to 0.1 m/l for Daphnia pulex (cladocern); 48-hour LC50 values range from 5.3 to 12.8 m/l for Nitocra spinipes (snail); and 96-hour LC50 values range from 0.13 to 0.29 mg/L for Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout), from 0.1 to 0.18 mg/l for Salvelinus fontinalis (brook trout), and from 0.71-0.82 mg/l for Lepomis cyanellus

Papillomas of the oral cavity in fish have been associated with exposure to chlorinated water supplies.

Chlorine is phytotoxic but is also essential to plant growth; crops need around 2 kg or more of chlorine per acre. Acute toxicity to plants is characterized by defoliation with no leaf symptoms and, in higher plant forms, by spotting of the leaves (at 1.5 mg/m3) and marginal and interveinal injury (at 150-300 mg/m3)

Data from experimental studies indicate that injury to animals occurs only in the presence of high concentrations of chlorine, either in drinking water or the ambient atmosphere. http://www.epa.gov/chemfact/s\_chlori.txt

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for hypochlorites:

### **Environmental fate:**

NOTE: Hypochlorite ion is predominant at alkaline pH values, while Cl2 is mainly present at pH below 4. Therefore the concentration of chlorine in an aqueous solution is generally expressed as free available chlorine (FAC) which is the sum of Cl2 + HOCl + ClO-, regardless whether these species stem from dissolved gaseous chlorine or from dissolved sodium/calcium hypochlorite

Hypochlorite anion dissolved in water is brought to equilibrium between active chlorine species like chlorine (Cl2), hypochlorous acid (HOCI) or hypochlorite ClO-. The relative

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amounts of the components are dependent on ionic strength and pH. At the pH in the natural environment (6-8), HOCl or ClO is dominating (HClO: pKa = 7.53). A diluted aqueous solution of HOCl will decompose very slowly in the dark, but more rapidly in the presence of light, particularly rapidly in full sun light, by producing hydrogen chloride and oxygen. Some chlorine and chloric acid (HClO3) may also develop. The physico-chemical properties indicate that chlorine released into the environment as HClO or Cl2 is distributed into water and air. Consequently, the effects that may manifest in the natural environment are considered common to those assessed for the other source of hypochlorite.

In the natural water, in the presence of organic or inorganic compounds, the free available chlorine immediately reacts forming various chlorinated and/or oxidized by-products e.g. chloramines or chloromethanes. They are mainly distributed to the hydrosphere, but are also able to transfer to some extent to the atmosphere depending on their intrinsic properties. A potential for bioaccumulation or bioconcentration of active chlorine species can be disregarded, because of their water solubility and their high reactivity.

In fresh water, the hypochlorites break down rapidly into non-toxic compounds when exposed to sunlight. In seawater, chlorine levels decline rapidly; however, hypobromite (which is acutely toxic to aquatic organisms) is formed. Sodium and calcium hypochlorite are low in toxicity to avian wildlife, but they are highly toxic to freshwater fish and invertebrates. Hypochlorite is a highly reactive chemical which, during and after its use in household scenarios, undergoes a variety of reactions. The major one is the oxidation of inorganic and organic species.

A minor reaction, which consumes about 1.5% of the chlorine atoms from hypochlorite, is chlorination, which leads to formation of organohalogen by-products that are often measured by the group parameter. AOX.

Hypochlorite itself is rapidly broken down during use, in the sewer, and if any does reach sewage treatment it will further degrade (half-life of around 0.6 minutes). Predictions have indicated that its concentration will fall to below 1.E-32 ug/l by the end of the sewer, partially due to its reaction with ammonia in the sewer which leads to a subsequent increase in chloramine.

The organohalogen by-products formed from the use of hypochlorite are currently receiving much attention. However, the levels of AOX produced are low (for example, 37 ug/l from bleach use compared to a sewage background level of 106 ug/l), and the organohalogens produced from domestic use of hypochlorite are not believed to have an adverse effect on the environment. Available data indicate that no dioxins are produced, and that the identified AOXs are typically small molecules with a low degree of chlorination and for which ecotoxicological properties are known or can be predicted. Where drinking water is disinfected by chlorination, the levels of organohalogens in sewage effluent arising from bleach use will be comparable with, and sometimes only a fraction of, those arising from the tap-water. After secondary sewage treatment, the levels entering receiving waters will be of the same order of magnitude as background levels typically present in rivers, though the total flux in rivers from natural sources will be much greater.

The majority of the measured AOX is unidentified, but thought to consist of high molecular weight components formed from fats, proteins and humic acids which are too large to bioaccumulate.

In addition, studies on the whole AOX mixture in laundry waste-water indicated that the level of AOX present did not effect growth or reproduction of *Ceriodaphnia*, and that around 70% is removed in activated sludge.

#### Ecotoxicity:

The level of chloramine reaching surface water is estimated to be below 5.E-10 ug/l. Both these concentrations are orders of magnitude below the lowest acute EC50s determined for sodium hypochlorite (EC50 to invertebrates = 5 ug/l) and monochloramine (EC50 to invertebrates = 16 ug/l).

Valid freshwater short-term toxicity data are available only for invertebrates: the LC50 for Ceriodaphnia dubia is 5 ug FAC/I (FAC=Free available chlorine). Adequate standard acute tests in fish are not available, but from many reliable studies performed under intermittent exposure conditions a 96h LC50 of 60 ug TRC/L and a 168 h LC50 of 330 ug TRC/L can be derived (TRC = total residual chlorine = the sum of combined and free residual available chlorine). Due to the intermittent regime (three 45 minutes pulses per day) a 96h LC50 << 60 ug TRC/l can be expected for fish in a standard test. Most lowest result for algae is reported for Thalassiosira pseudonana with a IC50 of 75 ug/L (20 deg C).

Regarding long-term toxicity to freshwater organisms, the lowest NOEC was 5 ug/L (Ictalurus punctatus, 133 d, growth). In microcosm and field studies the most sensitive parameter was the density of zooplankton with a NOEC of 1.5 ug TRC/L, and zooplankton is more sensitive to chlorine than algae.

For salt water, valid short-term toxicity data are available for mollusks and for fish (Oncorhynchus kisutch 96 h LC50 = 32 ug TRO/L) (TRO = Total Residual Oxidant) showing comparable sensitivity. For long term toxicity the molluscs are more sensitive than fish showing a 15 d NOEC of 6.2 ug TRO/L. It is impossible to delineate representative toxicity indicator figures because of the unique feature of the chemical to be tested in standard methods. However, the accumulated scientific information covering a wide range of species, temperature, application regime or field studies can be used for the hazard assessment.

DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

Very toxic to aquatic organisms.

### Persistence and degradability

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
calcium hypochlorite, hydrated	LOW	LOW
water	LOW	LOW

### **Bioaccumulative potential**

Ingredient	Bioaccumulation
calcium hypochlorite, hydrated	LOW (LogKOW = -0.8694)

### Mobility in soil

Ingredient	Mobility
calcium hypochlorite, hydrated	LOW (KOC = 14.3)

### **SECTION 13 Disposal considerations**

### Waste treatment methods

Product / Packaging disposal

- ▶ Containers may still present a chemical hazard/ danger when empty.
- Return to supplier for reuse/ recycling if possible.

### Otherwise

- If container can not be cleaned sufficiently well to ensure that residuals do not remain or if the container cannot be used to store the same product, then puncture containers, to prevent re-use, and bury at an authorised landfill.
- ▶ Where possible retain label warnings and SDS and observe all notices pertaining to the product.

Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/ or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked.

A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate:

- ► Reduction
- ► Reuse
- Recycling
- Disposal (if all else fails)

This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate. In most instances the supplier of the material should be consulted.

- DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning or process equipment to enter drains.
- It may be necessary to collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
- In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
- ▶ Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.
- Recycle wherever possible.
- ▶ Consult manufacturer for recycling options or consult local or regional waste management authority for disposal if no suitable treatment or

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- disposal facility can be identified.
- Treat and neutralise at an approved treatment plant.

  Treatment should involve: Mixing or slurrying in water; Neutralisation with suitable dilute acid followed by: burial in a land-fill specifically licensed to accept chemical and / or pharmaceutical wastes or Incineration in a licensed apparatus (after admixture with suitable combustible material).
- Decontaminate empty containers. Observe all label safeguards until containers are cleaned and destroyed.
   For small quantities of oxidising agent:

- ▶ Cautiously acidify a 3% solution to pH 2 with sulfuric acid.
- ▶ Gradually add a 50% excess of sodium bisulfite solution with stirring.
- Add a further 10% sodium bisulfite.
- If no further reaction occurs (as indicated by a rise in temperature) cautiously add more acid.

### **SECTION 14 Transport information**

### **Labels Required**





#### **Marine Pollutant**



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### Land transport (ADG)

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14.1. UN number or ID number	3487		
14.2. UN proper shipping name	CALCIUM HYPOCHLORITE, HYDRATED MIXTURE, CORROSIVE, with not less than 5.5% but not more than 16% water		
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)	Class 5.1 Subsidiary Hazard 8		
14.4. Packing group	II.		
14.5. Environmental hazard	Environmentally hazardous		
14.6. Special precautions for user	Special provisions 314 322 Limited quantity 1 kg		

### Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR)

14.1. UN number	3487		
14.2. UN proper shipping name	Calcium hypochlorite, hydrated mixture, corrosive with ≥ 5.5% but ≤ 16% water		
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)	ICAO/IATA Class	5.1	
	ICAO / IATA Subsidiary Hazard	8	
	ERG Code	5C	
14.4. Packing group	П		
14.5. Environmental hazard	Environmentally hazardous		
14.6. Special precautions for user	Special provisions		A8 A136 A803
	Cargo Only Packing Instructions		562
	Cargo Only Maximum Qty / Pack		25 kg
	Passenger and Cargo Packing Instructions		558
	Passenger and Cargo Maximum Qty / Pack		5 kg
	Passenger and Cargo Limited Quantity Packing Instructions		Y544
	Passenger and Cargo Limited Ma	ximum Qty / Pack	2.5 kg

### Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee)

14.1. UN number	3487		
14.2. UN proper shipping name	CALCIUM HYPOCHLORITE, HYDRATED MIXTURE, CORROSIVE with not less than 5.5% but not more than 16% water		
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)	IMDG Class  IMDG Subsidiary Hazard	5.1       8	

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14.4. Packing group	II		
14.5 Environmental hazard	Marine Pollutant		
14.6. Special precautions for user	EMS Number Special provisions Limited Quantities	F-H , S-Q 314 322 1 kg	

### 14.7.1. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Not Applicable

### 14.7.2. Transport in bulk in accordance with MARPOL Annex V and the IMSBC Code

Product name	Group
calcium hypochlorite, hydrated	Not Available
calcium hydroxide	Not Available
water	Not Available

### 14.7.3. Transport in bulk in accordance with the IGC Code

Product name	Ship Type
calcium hypochlorite, hydrated	Not Available
calcium hydroxide	Not Available
water	Not Available

### **SECTION 15 Regulatory information**

### Safety, health and environmental regulations / legislation specific for the substance or mixture

### calcium hypochlorite, hydrated is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 5

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 6

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Classified by the IARC Monographs - Not Classified as Carcinogenic

### calcium hydroxide is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

International WHO List of Proposed Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL) Values for Manufactured Nanomaterials (MNMS)

### water is found on the following regulatory lists

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

### **Additional Regulatory Information**

Not Applicable

### **National Inventory Status**

National Inventory	Status
Australia - AIIC / Australia Non-Industrial Use	Yes
Canada - DSL	Yes
Canada - NDSL	No (calcium hypochlorite, hydrated; calcium hydroxide; water)
China - IECSC	Yes
Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP	Yes
Japan - ENCS	Yes
Korea - KECI	Yes
New Zealand - NZIoC	Yes
Philippines - PICCS	Yes
USA - TSCA	Yes
Taiwan - TCSI	Yes
Mexico - INSQ	Yes
Vietnam - NCI	Yes
Russia - FBEPH	Yes
Legend:	Yes = All CAS declared ingredients are on the inventory No = One or more of the CAS listed ingredients are not on the inventory. These ingredients may be exempt or will require registration.

### **SECTION 16 Other information**

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#### Other information

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

#### **Definitions and abbreviations**

- PC TWA: Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average
- ▶ PC STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit
- IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer
- ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
- ► STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit
- ► TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit,
- ► IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations
- ► ES: Exposure Standard
- ► OSF: Odour Safety Factor
- ▶ NOAEL: No Observed Adverse Effect Level
- ► LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level
- TLV: Threshold Limit Value
- ▶ LOD: Limit Of Detection
- ► OTV: Odour Threshold Value
- ▶ BCF: BioConcentration Factors
- ▶ BEI: Biological Exposure Index
- ► DNEL: Derived No-Effect Level
- ▶ PNEC: Predicted no-effect concentration
- ▶ AIIC: Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals
- ▶ DSL: Domestic Substances List
- ▶ NDSL: Non-Domestic Substances List
- ▶ IECSC: Inventory of Existing Chemical Substance in China
- ► EINECS: European INventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances
- ► ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances
- NLP: No-Longer Polymers
- ▶ ENCS: Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory
- ▶ KECI: Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
- ▶ NZIoC: New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
- ▶ PICCS: Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
- ► TSCA: Toxic Substances Control Act
- ► TCSI: Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
- ▶ INSQ: Inventario Nacional de Sustancias Químicas
- ► NCI: National Chemical Inventory
- ▶ FBEPH: Russian Register of Potentially Hazardous Chemical and Biological Substances

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