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### SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier used on the label

: **Citric Acid**

Product Code(s) : None reported.

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

: Preservative /Additive  
Use pattern: Professional Use Only  
Recommended restrictions: None known.

Chemical family : Pure substance

Name, address, and telephone number  
of the supplier:

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Name, address, and telephone number of  
the manufacturer:

Refer to supplier

### SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the chemical

Fine, white to off-white granules. Odorless.

This material is classified as hazardous under U.S. OSHA regulations (29CFR 1910.1200) (Hazcom 2012) and Canadian WHMIS regulations (Hazardous Products Regulations) (WHMIS 2015).

Hazard classification:

Combustible Dust  
Eye Damage/Irritation - Category 1

Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)



Signal Word

**DANGER!**

Hazard statement(s)

May form combustible dust concentrations in air.  
Causes serious eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)

Wear eye protection/face protection.  
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.  
Continue rinsing.  
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

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### Other hazards

Other hazards which do not result in classification:

May cause skin irritation. Inhalation of dust may cause shortness of breath, tightness of the chest, a sore throat and cough. Ingestion of large amounts may cause stomach irritation.

Environmental precautions:

Avoid release to the environment. See ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION, Section 12.

### SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Pure substance

<u>Chemical name</u>	<u>Common name and synonyms</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>Concentration (% by weight)</u>
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy-	2-Hydroxypropanetricarboxylic acid Citric acid	77-92-9	100.00

### SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

#### Description of first aid measures

- Ingestion* : Do not induce vomiting. Rinse mouth thoroughly. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention if symptoms persist.
- Inhalation* : Immediately remove person to fresh air. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen by qualified medical personnel only. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
- Skin contact* : Wash affected areas with soap and water. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before re-use. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
- Eye contact* : Duration of rinsing should be at least 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. If irritation or symptoms develop, seek medical attention.

#### Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

- : Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Direct skin contact may cause temporary redness. Inhalation of dust may cause shortness of breath, tightness of the chest, a sore throat and cough. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

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

- : Treat symptomatically.

### SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

#### Extinguishing media

##### *Suitable extinguishing media*

- : Use media suitable to the surrounding fire such as water fog or fine spray, alcohol foams, carbon dioxide and dry chemical.

##### *Unsuitable extinguishing media*

- : Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.

#### Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture / Conditions of flammability

- : Dust may form explosive mixture in air.

#### Flammability classification (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.106)

- : Combustible Dust

#### Hazardous combustion products

- : Carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide.



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### Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

#### Protective equipment for fire-fighters

- : Firefighters should wear proper protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus with full face piece operated in positive pressure mode. A full-body chemical resistant suit should be worn.

#### Special fire-fighting procedures

- : Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Move containers from fire area if safe to do so. Water spray may be useful in cooling equipment exposed to heat and flame. Dike for water control. Avoid release to the environment.

## SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- : All persons dealing with clean-up should wear the appropriate protective equipment including self-contained breathing apparatus. Keep all other personnel upwind and away from the spill/release. Restrict access to area until completion of clean-up. Refer to Section 8, EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION, for additional information on acceptable personal protective equipment.

**Environmental precautions** : Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. For large spills, dike the area to prevent spreading.

### Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

- : Ventilate the area. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation. Contact the proper local authorities.

### Special spill response procedures

- : If a spill/release in excess of the EPA reportable quantity is made into the environment, immediately notify the national response center in the United States (phone: 1-800-424-8802).  
US CERCLA Reportable quantity (RQ): None reportable.

## SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for safe handling

- : Use in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves and eye/face protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing dust and fume. Use only non-sparking tools with this material. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Keep away from heat and flame. Keep away from incompatibles. Label containers appropriately. Wash thoroughly after handling. Keep containers closed when not in use.

**Conditions for safe storage** : Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area. Store away from incompatibles and out of direct sunlight. Storage area should be clearly identified, clear of obstruction and accessible only to trained and authorized personnel. Inspect periodically for damage or leaks. No smoking in the area. Routine housekeeping should be instituted to ensure that dusts do not accumulate on surfaces.

**Incompatible materials** : Metals ;caustics

## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

<b>Exposure Limits:</b>			
<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>ACGIH TLV</u>		<u>OSHA PEL</u>
	<u>TWA</u>	<u>STEL</u>	<u>PEL</u> <u>STEL</u>
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy-	N/Av	N/Av	15 mg/m3 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable)

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### Exposure controls

#### Ventilation and engineering measures

: Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentration of vapours below their respective threshold limit value.

#### Respiratory protection

: Respiratory protection is required if the concentrations exceed the TLV. Use a NIOSH approved dust respirator if dust levels exceed exposure limits. Seek advice from respiratory protection specialists.

#### Skin protection

: Wear protective gloves. The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed with the producers of the protective gloves.

#### Eye / face protection

: Chemical goggles must be worn to prevent dusts from entering the eyes.

#### Other protective equipment

: Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin contact, such as coveralls or long sleeved shirt, long pants, and shoes and socks. Wear protective gloves. An eyewash station and safety shower should be made available in the immediate working area. Other equipment may be required depending on workplace standards.

#### General hygiene considerations

: Avoid breathing dust and fume. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not eat, drink, smoke or use cosmetics while working with this product. Upon completion of work, wash hands before eating, drinking, smoking or use of toilet facilities. Remove soiled clothing and wash it thoroughly before reuse.

### SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance** : Fine, white to off-white granules.

**Odour** : Odorless

**Odour threshold** : No information available.

**pH** : No information available.

**Melting/Freezing point** : 153 °C (307 °F)

#### Initial boiling point and boiling range

: Not applicable.

**Flash point** : Not applicable.

**Flashpoint (Method)** : Not applicable.

**Evaporation rate (BuAe = 1)** : No information available.

**Flammability (solid, gas)** : The product is not flammable.

**Lower flammable limit (% by vol.)**

: N/Ap

**Upper flammable limit (% by vol.)**

: N/Ap

**Oxidizing properties** : None known.

**Explosive properties** : Not explosive

**Vapour pressure** : No information available.

**Vapour density** : No information available.

#### Relative density / Specific gravity

: Not available.

**Solubility in water** : Soluble (59.2 g/100g) @20°C

**Other solubility(ies)** : Moderately soluble in methanol.

**Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water or Coefficient of water/oil distribution**

: Not applicable.

**Auto-ignition temperature** : No information available.

**Decomposition temperature** : No information available.

**Viscosity** : Not applicable.

**Volatiles (% by weight)** : No information available.

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### Volatile organic Compounds (VOC's)

: No information available.

### Absolute pressure of container

: N/Ap

### Flame projection length

: N/Ap

### Other physical/chemical comments

: Bulk Density: Granular = 56, Fine = 54, Powder = 32 (LB/FT3)

Molecular Weight: 192.13

Molecular formula: C6H8O7

## SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity** : Not normally reactive. Aqueous solutions may react with some metals (e.g. Aluminum, zinc, tin and their alloys) to release flammable hydrogen gas.

**Chemical stability** : Stable under normal conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

: Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Conditions to avoid** : Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Avoid contact with incompatible materials. Avoid dust formation.

**Incompatible materials** : Avoid contact with incompatible materials. Incompatible materials (see Section 7).

### Hazardous decomposition products

: None known, refer to hazardous combustion products in Section 5.

## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Information on likely routes of exposure:

**Routes of entry inhalation** : YES

**Routes of entry skin & eye** : YES

**Routes of entry Ingestion** : YES

**Routes of exposure skin absorption**

: NO

### Potential Health Effects:

#### Signs and symptoms of short-term (acute) exposure

##### *Sign and symptoms Inhalation*

: Inhalation of dust may cause shortness of breath, tightness of the chest, a sore throat and cough.

##### *Sign and symptoms ingestion*

: Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

##### *Sign and symptoms skin*

: May cause mild skin irritation on prolonged contact.

##### *Sign and symptoms eyes*

: Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include a burning sensation, pain, watering, and/or changes in vision (blurred vision).

#### Potential Chronic Health Effects

: Prolonged exposure can cause redness, swelling, itching, cracking of the skin, dermatitis and sensitization.

#### Mutagenicity

: Not expected to be mutagenic in humans.

#### Carcinogenicity

: No components are listed as carcinogens by ACGIH, IARC, OSHA or NTP.

#### Reproductive effects & Teratogenicity

: Not expected to have other reproductive effects.

#### Sensitization to material

: Not expected to be a skin or respiratory sensitizer.

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**Specific target organ effects** : The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, single exposure.

The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure.

**Medical conditions aggravated by overexposure**

: Pre-existing skin, eye and respiratory disorders.

**Synergistic materials**

: No information available.

**Toxicological data**

: See below for toxicological data on the substance.

<u>Chemical name</u>	<u>LC<sub>50</sub>(4hr)</u>	<u>LD<sub>50</sub></u>	
	<u>inh, rat</u>	<u>(Oral, rat)</u>	<u>(Rabbit, dermal)</u>
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy-	N/Av	3000 mg/kg	> 2000 mg/kg (No mortality)

**Other important toxicological hazards**

: See Section 3 for additional information.

### SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity**

: The product should not be allowed to enter drains or water courses, or be deposited where it can affect ground or surface waters.

See the following tables for individual ingredient ecotoxicity data.

**Ecotoxicity data:**

<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>CAS No</u>	<u>Toxicity to Fish</u>		
		<u>LC50 / 96h</u>	<u>NOEC / 21 day</u>	<u>M Factor</u>
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy-	77-92-9	1516 mg/L (Bluegill sunfish)	N/Av	None.

<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>CAS No</u>	<u>Toxicity to Daphnia</u>		
		<u>EC50 / 48h</u>	<u>NOEC / 21 day</u>	<u>M Factor</u>
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy-	77-92-9	1535 mg/L/24hr (Daphnia magna)	N/Av	None.

<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>CAS No</u>	<u>Toxicity to Algae</u>		
		<u>EC50 / 96h or 72h</u>	<u>NOEC / 96h or 72h</u>	<u>M Factor</u>
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy-	77-92-9	> 18 000 mg/L (Green algae) (Read-across)	N/Av	None.

**Persistence and degradability**

: Readily biodegradable

**Bioaccumulation potential**

: No information available.

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<u>Components</u>	<u>Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log Kow)</u>	<u>Bioconcentration factor (BCF)</u>
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy- (CAS 77-92-9)	- 1.72	3

**Mobility in soil** : High water solubility indicates a high mobility in soil.

**Other Adverse Environmental effects**

: No data is available on the product itself.





### SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Handling for Disposal** : Handle waste according to recommendations in Section 7. Empty containers may contain hazardous residues.

**Methods of Disposal** : Dispose in accordance with all applicable federal, state, provincial and local regulations.

**RCRA** : If this product, as supplied, becomes a waste in the United States, it may meet the criteria of a hazardous waste as defined under RCRA, Title 40 CFR 261. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the proper waste identification and disposal method.

### SECTION 14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

<b>Regulatory Information</b>	<b>UN Number</b>	<b>UN proper shipping name</b>	<b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>	<b>Packing Group</b>	<b>Label</b>
TDG	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	
<b>TDG Additional information</b>	None.				
49CFR/DOT	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	
<b>49CFR/DOT Additional information</b>	None.				
IMDG	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	
<b>IMDG Additional information</b>	None.				
ICAO/IATA	None.	Not regulated.	not regulated	none	
<b>ICAO/IATA Additional information</b>	None.				

**Special precautions for user** : Appropriate advice on safety must accompany the package.

**Environmental hazards** : See Section 12 for more environmental information.

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code**

: This information is not available.



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### SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### US Federal Information:

Components listed below are present on the following U.S. Federal chemical lists:

<u>Ingredients</u>	CAS #	TSCA Inventory	CERCLA Reportable Quantity(RQ) (40 CFR 117.302):	SARA TITLE III: Sec. 302, Extremely Hazardous Substance, 40 CFR 355:	SARA TITLE III: Sec. 313, 40 CFR 372, Specific Toxic Chemical	de minimus Concentration
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy-	77-92-9	Yes	None.	None.	No	N/Ap

SARA TITLE III: Sec. 311 and 312, SDS Requirements, 40 CFR 370 Hazard Classes: Acute Health Hazard. Under SARA Sections 311 and 312, the EPA has established threshold quantities for the reporting of hazardous chemicals. The current thresholds are 500 pounds for the threshold planning quantity (TPQ), whichever is lower, for extremely hazardous substances and 10,000 pounds for all other hazardous chemicals.

#### US State Right to Know Laws:

The following chemicals are specifically listed by individual States:

<u>Ingredients</u>	CAS #	California Proposition 65		State "Right to Know" Lists					
		Listed	Type of Toxicity	CA	MA	MN	NJ	PA	RI
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy-	77-92-9	No	N/Ap	No	No	No	No	No	No

#### Canadian Information:

Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA) information: All ingredients listed appear on the Domestic Substances List (DSL).

WHMIS information: Refer to Section 2 for a WHMIS Classification for this product.

#### International Information:

Components listed below are present on the following International Inventory list:

<u>Ingredients</u>	CAS #	European EINECS	Australia AICS	Philippines PICCS	Japan ENCS	Korea KECI/KECL	China IECSC	New Zealand IOC
1,2,3-Propanetricarboxylic acid, 2-hydroxy-	77-92-9	201-069-1	Present	Present	(2)-1318	KE-20831	Present	HSR003138

### SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

#### **Legend**

: ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
CAS: Chemical Abstract Services  
CERCLA: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980  
CFR: Code of Federal Regulations  
CNS: Central Nervous System  
DOT: Department of Transportation  
EPA: Environmental Protection Agency



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EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances  
IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer  
IBC: Intermediate Bulk Container  
IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods  
Inh: Inhalation  
LC: Lethal Concentration  
LD: Lethal Dose  
N/Av: Not Applicable  
N/Av: Not Available  
NIOSH: National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health  
NTP: National Toxicology Program  
OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
PEL: Permissible exposure limit  
RCRA: Resource Conservation and Recovery Act  
RTECS: Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances  
SARA: Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act  
STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit  
TDG: Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act & Regulations  
TLV: Threshold Limit Values  
TWA: Time Weighted Average  
WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Identification System

### References

- : 1. ACGIH, Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents & Biological Exposure Indices for 2016
2. International Agency for Research on Cancer Monographs, searched 2016
3. Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, CCInfoWeb databases, 2016(Chempendium, HSDB and RTECs).
4. Material Safety Data Sheets from manufacturer.
5. US EPA Title III List of Lists - 2016 version.
6. California Proposition 65 List - 2016 version.
7. OECD - The Global Portal to Information on Chemical Substances - eChemPortal, 2016.

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### Other special considerations for handling

: Provide adequate information, instruction and training for operators.

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