

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Oxalic acid dihydrate

Cat No. : A218-3; A218-500

CAS-No 6153-56-6
Synonyms Ethanedionic acid

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

Importer/Distributor

Fisher Scientific
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Ottawa, ON K2E 7L6,
Canada
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Manufacturer

Fisher Scientific
One Reagent Lane
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
Tel: (201) 796-7100

Emergency Telephone Number

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

WHMIS 2015 Classification Classified as hazardous under the Hazardous Products Regulations (SOR/2015-17)

Corrosive to metals	Category 1
Acute oral toxicity	Category 4
Acute dermal toxicity	Category 4
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Kidney, Liver.	

Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

May be corrosive to metals
Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin
Causes serious eye damage
May cause respiratory irritation

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

Keep only in original container
 Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Response

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
 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/doctor
 Rinse mouth
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse
 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
 Store locked up
 Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner
 Store in a dry place

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Oxalic acid dihydrate	6153-56-6	>95
Oxalic acid	144-62-7	-

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
Inhalation	Move to fresh air. Obtain medical attention. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
Ingestion	Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical attention.
Most important symptoms/effects Notes to Physician	Causes eye burns. Causes severe eye damage. Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media No information available

Flash Point No information available
Method - No information available

Autoignition Temperature Not applicable

Explosion Limits

Upper No data available

Lower No data available

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available

Sensitivity to Static Discharge No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO) Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

NFPA

Health
3

Flammability
1

Instability
0

Physical hazards
N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions

Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

Environmental Precautions

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal.

7. Handling and storage

Handling

Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

Storage

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Oxalic acid dihydrate					TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³		
Oxalic acid	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³	TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³	(Vacated) TWA: 1 mg/m ³ (Vacated) STEL: 2 mg/m ³ TWA: 1 mg/m ³	IDLH: 500 mg/m ³ TWA: 1 mg/m ³ STEL: 2 mg/m ³

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

Engineering Measures

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

Personal protective equipment

Eye Protection Goggles
Hand Protection Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	Splash protection only
Nitrile rubber			
Neoprene			
PVC			
Butyl rubber			

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Respiratory Protection

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

Recommended Filter type: Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

Environmental exposure controls

Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Powder Solid
Appearance	White
Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	1.3 0.1M aq. solution
Melting Point/Range	98 - 102 °C / 208.4 - 215.6 °F
Boiling Point/Range	No information available
Flash Point	No information available
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	21.5 mbar @ 50 °C
Vapor Density	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	No information available
Solubility	Soluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable
Decomposition Temperature	157 °C

Viscosity	Not applicable
Molecular Formula	C ₂ H ₂ O ₄ . 2 H ₂ O
Molecular Weight	126.04

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases, Metals, Acid chlorides
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Oxalic acid dihydrate	LD50 = 375 mg/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed
Oxalic acid	375 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 20000 mg/kg (Rat)	Not listed

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation	Causes severe eye burns.
Sensitization	No information available
Carcinogenicity	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Oxalic acid dihydrate	6153-56-6	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Oxalic acid	144-62-7	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Mutagenic Effects	No information available
Reproductive Effects	No information available.
Developmental Effects	No information available.
Teratogenicity	No information available.
STOT - single exposure	Respiratory system
STOT - repeated exposure	Kidney Liver
Aspiration hazard	No information available
Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed	No information available
Endocrine Disruptor Information	No information available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Oxalic acid	Not listed	LC50: = 4000 mg/L, 24h static (Lepomis macrochirus)	Not listed	EC50 = 136.9 mg/L/48h

Persistence and Degradability Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Oxalic acid	-0.81

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal Methods Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No UN3261
 Proper Shipping Name CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.
 Proper technical name Oxalic acid dihydrate
 Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group III

TDG

UN-No UN3261
 Proper Shipping Name CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.
 Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group III

IATA

UN-No UN3261
 Proper Shipping Name CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.
 Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group III

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN3261
 Proper Shipping Name CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.
 Hazard Class 8
 Packing Group III

15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

International Inventories

Component	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Oxalic acid dihydrate	-	-	-	-	-		X	X	X	X	-
Oxalic acid	X	-	X	205-634-3	-		X	X	X	X	X

Canada

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

16. Other information

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