1. Identification

Product Name: Nitric acid (65 - 70%)

Synonyms: Azotic acid; Engraver's acid; Aqua fortis

Recommended Use: Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against: No Information available

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company: 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
This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Oxidizing liquids: Category 2
Corrosive to metals: Category 1
Skin Corrosion/irritation: Category 1 A
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation: Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure): Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.

Label Elements

Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statements
May cause fire or explosion; strong oxidizer
May be corrosive to metals
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
May cause respiratory irritation
Precautionary Statements

Prevention
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking
Keep/Store away from clothing/ other combustible materials
Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles
Keep only in original container

Response
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

Inhalation
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

Skin
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

Eyes
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

Ingestion
IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting

Fire
In case of fire: Use CO2, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

Spills
Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

Storage
Store locked up
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
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

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)
None identified

Unknown Acute Toxicity
.?. percent of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute toxicity

3. Composition / information on ingredients

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<td>65 - 70</td>
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<tr>
<td>Water</td>
<td>7732-18-5</td>
<td>30 - 35</td>
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4. First-aid measures

General Advice
Immediate medical attention is required. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

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. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Call a physician immediately.

Inhalation
If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Remove from exposure, lie down. Call a physician immediately.

Ingestion
Do not induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Clean mouth with water. Call a physician immediately.

Most important symptoms/effects
Causes burns by all exposure routes. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated.

Notes to Physician
Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media
CO₂, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media
No information available

Flash Point
Not applicable

Method -
No information available

Autoignition Temperature
No information available

Explosion Limits
Upper
No data available
Lower
No data available

Oxidizing Properties
Oxidizer

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. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.).

Hazardous Combustion Products
Nitrogen oxides (NOx) Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors

NFPA

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions
Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment.

Environmental Precautions
Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up
Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal.
**7. Handling and storage**

**Handling**
Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.

**Storage**
Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. Do not store near combustible materials.

**8. Exposure controls / personal protection**

**Exposure Guidelines**

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<th>ACGIH TLV</th>
<th>OSHA PEL</th>
<th>NIOSH IDLH</th>
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</table>
| Nitric acid | TWA: 2 ppm  
               STEL: 4 ppm | (Vacated) TWA: 2 ppm  
                      (Vacated) STEL: 4 ppm    | IDLH: 25 ppm  
                       TWA: 2 ppm  
                       STEL: 4 ppm |

**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**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eye/face Protection**
Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA’s eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166. Tightly fitting safety goggles. Face-shield.

**Skin and body protection**
Long sleeved clothing.

**Respiratory Protection**
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.

**Hygiene Measures**
Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Provide regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. For environmental protection remove and wash all contaminated protective equipment before re-use. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

**9. Physical and chemical properties**

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<td>Physical State</td>
<td>Liquid</td>
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<tr>
<td>Appearance</td>
<td>Clear Colorless, Light yellow</td>
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<tr>
<td>Odor</td>
<td>Strong Acrid</td>
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<td>pH</td>
<td>&lt; 1.0 (0.1M)</td>
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### Melting Point/Range
-41 °C / -41.8 °F

### Boiling Point/Range
Not applicable

### Flash Point
Not applicable

### Evaporation Rate
No information available

### Flammability (solid, gas)
Not applicable

### Flammability or explosive limits
- Upper: No data available
- Lower: No data available

### Vapor Pressure
0.94 kPa (20°C)

### Vapor Density
No information available

### Specific Gravity
1.40

### Solubility
miscible

### Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water
No data available

### Autoignition Temperature
No information available

### Decomposition Temperature
No information available

### Viscosity
No information available

### Molecular Formula
HNO3

### Molecular Weight
63.02

### Stability and reactivity

#### Reactive Hazard
Yes

#### Oxidizer
Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire.

#### Conditions to Avoid
- Incompatible products. Combustible material. Excess heat. Exposure to air or moisture over prolonged periods.

#### Incompatible Materials
- Combustible material, Strong bases, Reducing agents, Metals, Powdered metals, Organic materials, Aldehydes, Alcohols, Cyanides, Ammonia, Strong reducing agents

#### Hazardous Decomposition Products
Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors

#### Hazardous Polymerization
Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

#### Hazardous Reactions
None under normal processing.

### Toxicological information

#### Acute Toxicity

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<th>Component</th>
<th>LD50 Oral</th>
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#### Toxicologically Synergistic Products
No information available

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

#### Irritation
Causes severe burns by all exposure routes

#### Sensitization
No information available

#### Carcinogenicity
The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

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Nitric acid (65 - 70%)

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<td>LC50: 72 mg/L, 96h (Gambusia affinis)</td>
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**Ecotoxicity**

Do not empty into drains. Large amounts will affect pH and harm aquatic organisms. Contains a substance which is: Harmful to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

**12. Ecological information**

**Persistence and Degradability**
Miscible with 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.

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**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: UN2031
- Proper Shipping Name: NITRIC ACID
- Hazard Class: 8
- Subsidiary Hazard Class: 5.1
- Packing Group: II

**TDG**
- UN-No: UN2031
- Proper Shipping Name: NITRIC ACID
- Hazard Class: 8
- Subsidiary Hazard Class: 5.1
- Packing Group: II

**IATA**
- UN-No: UN2031
15. Regulatory information

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

International Inventories

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<th>Component</th>
<th>TSCA</th>
<th>DSL</th>
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Legend:
- X - Listed
- E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.
- F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.
- N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.
- P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance
- R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.
- S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule
- T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.
- XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base, Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B).
- Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.
- Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313

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SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

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CWA (Clean Water Act)

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<td>1000 lb</td>
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Clean Air Act Not applicable

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration
Component | Specifically Regulated Chemicals | Highly Hazardous Chemicals
---|---|---
Nitric acid | - | TQ: 500 lb

**CERCLA**
This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

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**California Proposition 65**
This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

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**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y
DOT Marine Pollutant: N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant: N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**
This product contains the following DHS chemicals:

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**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade**
No information available

**Canada**
This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

**WHMIS Hazard Class**
C Oxidizing materials
E Corrosive material
D2B Toxic materials

### 16. Other information

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**Revision Summary**
This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS)

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End of SDS