

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Calcium hydride

Cat No. : AC199960000; AC199960025; AC199961000; AC199965000

CAS-No 7789-78-8
Synonyms Calcium Dihydride

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

WHMIS 2015 Classification

This product is hazardous in accordance with the Canada Hazardous Products Act (HPA) and Hazardous Products Regulation (HPR), as amended (SOR/2022-272)

Substances/mixtures which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases	Category 1	Gas(es) = Hydrogen
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2	
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2	
Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified	Category 1	
Reacts violently with water		

Label Elements

Signal Word
Danger

Hazard Statements

In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously
 Causes skin irritation
 Causes serious eye irritation
 Reacts violently with water

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Do not allow contact with water
 Keep container tightly closed
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
 Handle and store contents under inert gas. Protect from moisture

Response

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention
 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention
 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish
 Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse
 IF ON SKIN: Brush off loose particles from skin. Immerse in cool water

Storage

Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Calcium hydride (CaH ₂)	7789-78-8	<100

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. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Most important symptoms/effects	None reasonably foreseeable.
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media Dry chemical, soda ash, lime or sand.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media No information available

Flash Point No information available
Method - No information available

Autoignition Temperature 300 °C / 572 °F

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

Water reactive. Produce flammable gases on contact with water. Reacts violently with water.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Hydrogen.

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
2

Flammability
3

Instability
2

Physical hazards
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6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

Environmental Precautions Should not be released into the environment.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Do not expose spill to water.

7. Handling and storage

Handling Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation. Do not allow contact with water. Handle under an inert atmosphere.

Storage. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Keep from any possible contact with water. Store under an inert atmosphere. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Air sensitive. Store contents under argon. Keep away from water or moist air. Incompatible Materials. Acids. Water. Strong acids. Alcohols. Halogens. Acid anhydrides. Reducing Agent. Ammonia.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Engineering Measures

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

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

Protective gloves

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

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

No information available.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance**Physical State**

Solid

Color

Grey

Odor

Odorless

Odor Threshold

No information available

Property**Values****Remarks****Method****Melting Point/Range**

675 °C / 1247 °F

Softening Point

No data available

Boiling Point/Range

No information available

Flash Point

No information available

Flammability (liquid)

Not applicable

Method - No information available**Flammability (solid,gas)**

No information available

Solid

Explosion Limits

No data available

Autoignition Temperature	300 °C / 572 °F	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
pH	No information available	
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Water Solubility	Reacts with water	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Density / Specific Gravity		
Bulk Density	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Particle characteristics	No data available	
Other Information		
Molecular Formula	Ca H ₂	
Molecular Weight	42.09	
Substances/mixtures which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases	Emitted gas ignites spontaneously	Gas(es) = Hydrogen
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable - Solid	

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	Yes
Stability	Water reactive. Air sensitive.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid dust formation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Protect from water. Excess heat. Incompatible products. Exposure to moist air or water. Exposure to moisture.
Incompatible Materials	Acids, Water, Strong acids, Alcohols, Halogens, Acid anhydrides, Reducing Agent, Ammonia
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Hydrogen
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	Reacts violently with water.

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

Inhalation	Not an expected route of exposure.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.
Eyes	Avoid contact with eyes. Irritating to eyes. Risk of serious damage to eyes.
Skin	Avoid contact with skin. May cause irritation. Contact with moist skin may cause skin burns.

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Calcium hydride (CaH ₂)	>2000 mg/kg (Rat)	-	-

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 2

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 2

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Skin

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(e) germ cell mutagenicity;

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(f) carcinogenicity;

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

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

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Calcium hydride (CaH ₂)	7789-78-8	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

(g) reproductive toxicity;

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(h) STOT-single exposure;

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(i) STOT-repeated exposure;

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Target Organs

None known.

(j) aspiration hazard;

Not applicable
Solid

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed

No information available.

Other Adverse Effects

The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

Endocrine Disrupting Properties

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains. Reacts with water so no ecotoxicity data for the substance is available.

Persistence and Degradability

Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation

No information available.

Mobility

Is not likely mobile in the environment.

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 UN1404
 Proper Shipping Name CALCIUM HYDRIDE
 Hazard Class 4.3
 Packing Group I

TDG

UN-No UN1404
 Proper Shipping Name CALCIUM HYDRIDE
 Hazard Class 4.3
 Packing Group I

IATA

UN-No UN1404
 Proper Shipping Name CALCIUM HYDRIDE
 Hazard Class 4.3
 Packing Group I

IMDG/IMO

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 Proper Shipping Name CALCIUM HYDRIDE
 Hazard Class 4.3
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15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP
Calcium hydride (CaH ₂)	7789-78-8	X	-	X	ACTIVE	232-189-2	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Calcium hydride (CaH ₂)	7789-78-8	X	KE-04553	X	X	X	X	X	X

Legend:

X - Listed '-' - Not listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances**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 its amendments and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the revised Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

Other International Regulations**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**

Not applicable

Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

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

Component	CAS-No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Calcium hydride (CaH ₂)	7789-78-8	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Component	CAS-No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Calcium hydride (CaH ₂)	7789-78-8	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

16. Other information

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