

SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

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

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Hydrofluoric acid

Product Number : 01066

Brand : Sigma-Aldrich

REACH No. : A registration number is not available for this substance as the substance or its uses are exempted from registration, the annual tonnage does not require a registration or the registration is envisaged for a later registration deadline.

CAS-No. : 7664-39-3

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 2), H300
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 2), H330
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 1), H310
Skin corrosion (Category 1A), H314

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

Classification according to EU Directives 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC

T+ Very toxic R26/27/28
C Corrosive R35

For the full text of the R-phrases mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

2.2 Label elements

Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)	
H300	Fatal if swallowed.
H310	Fatal in contact with skin.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H330	Fatal if inhaled.
Precautionary statement(s)	
P260	Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P284	Wear respiratory protection.
P301 + P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
P302 + P350	IF ON SKIN: Gently wash with plenty of soap and water.
Supplemental Hazard Statements	none

According to European Directive 67/548/EEC as amended.

Hazard symbol(s)	T+ Very toxic
	C Corrosive



R-phrase(s)	
R26/27/28	Very toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.
R35	Causes severe burns.
S-phrase(s)	
S 7/9	Keep container tightly closed and in a well-ventilated place.
S26	In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
S36/37	Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.
S45	In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

2.3 Other hazards - none

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.2 Mixtures

Formula	:	HF
Molecular Weight	:	20.01 g/mol

Hazardous ingredients according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Component	Classification	Concentration
Hydrofluoric acid		
CAS-No. 7664-39-3 EC-No. 231-634-8 Index-No. 009-003-00-1	Acute Tox. 2; Acute Tox. 1; Acute Tox. 2; Skin Corr. 1A; H300, H310, H314, H330	25 - 50 %

Hazardous ingredients according to Directive 1999/45/EC

Component	Classification	Concentration
Hydrofluoric acid		
CAS-No. 7664-39-3 EC-No. 231-634-8 Index-No. 009-003-00-1	T+, C, R26/27/28 - R35	25 - 50 %

For the full text of the H-Statements and R-Phrases mentioned in this Section, see Section 16

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Hydrofluoric (HF) acid burns require immediate and specialized first aid and medical treatment. Symptoms may be delayed up to 24 hours depending on the concentration of HF. After decontamination with water, further damage can occur due to penetration/absorption of the fluoride ion. Treatment should be directed toward binding the fluoride ion as well as the effects of exposure. Skin exposures can be treated with a 2.5% calcium gluconate gel repeated until burning ceases. More serious skin exposures may require subcutaneous calcium gluconate except for digital areas unless the physician is experienced in this technique, due to the potential for tissue injury from increased pressure. Absorption can readily occur through the subungual areas and should be considered when undergoing decontamination. Prevention of absorption of the fluoride ion in cases of ingestion can be obtained by giving milk, chewable calcium carbonate tablets or Milk of Magnesia to conscious victims. Conditions such as hypocalcemia, hypomagnesemia and cardiac arrhythmias should be monitored for, since they can occur after exposure.

If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

no data available

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

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

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hydrogen fluoride

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information

no data available

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.
Normal measures for preventive fire protection.
For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

A part from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Hydrofluoric acid	7664-39-3	STEL	3 ppm 2.5 mg/m ³	UK. EH40 WEL - Workplace Exposure Limits
		TWA	1.8 ppm 1.5 mg/m ³	UK. EH40 WEL - Workplace Exposure Limits
		TWA	1.8 ppm 1.5 mg/m ³	Europe. Commission Directive 2000/39/EC establishing a first list of indicative occupational exposure limit values
	Remarks	Indicative		
		STEL	3 ppm 2.5 mg/m ³	Europe. Commission Directive 2000/39/EC establishing a first list of indicative occupational exposure limit values
		Indicative		

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

Full contact

Material: Chloroprene
Minimum layer thickness: 0.6 mm
Break through time: > 480 min
Material tested: Camapren® (KCL 722 / Aldrich Z677493, Size M)

Splash contact
Material: Nature latex/chloroprene
Minimum layer thickness: 0.6 mm
Break through time: 180 min
Material tested: Lapren® (KCL 706 / Aldrich Z677558, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de,
test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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| a) Appearance | Form: liquid |
| b) Odour | no data available |
| c) Odour Threshold | no data available |
| d) pH | no data available |
| e) Melting point/freezing point | no data available |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range | no data available |
| g) Flash point | no data available |
| h) Evaporation rate | no data available |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas) | no data available |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | no data available |
| k) Vapour pressure | no data available |
| l) Vapour density | no data available |
| m) Relative density | 1.15 g/cm ³ at 25 °C |
| n) Water solubility | no data available |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water | no data available |

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|----|---------------------------|-------------------|
| p) | Auto-ignition temperature | no data available |
| q) | Decomposition temperature | no data available |
| r) | Viscosity | no data available |
| s) | Explosive properties | no data available |
| t) | Oxidizing properties | no data available |

9.2 Other safety information
no data available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

no data available

10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid

no data available

10.5 Incompatible materials

no data available

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - no data available
In the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

Skin corrosion/irritation

no data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

Reproductive toxicity

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

no data available

Aspiration hazard

no data available

Additional Information

RTECS: Not available

Fluoride ion can reduce serum calcium levels possibly causing fatal hypocalcemia., Material can cause severe burns and blistering which may not be immediately painful or visible. The full extent of tissue damage may not exhibit itself for 12-24 hours after exposure., Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., necrosis of the skin

SECTION 12: Ecological information**12.1 Toxicity**

no data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability

no data available

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

12.4 Mobility in soil

no data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 Other adverse effects

no data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**13.1 Waste treatment methods****Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

SECTION 14: Transport information**14.1 UN number**

ADR/RID: 1790

IMDG: 1790

IATA: 1790

14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: HYDROFLUORIC ACID

IMDG: HYDROFLUORIC ACID

IATA: Hydrofluoric acid

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 8 (6.1)

IMDG: 8 (6.1)

IATA: 8 (6.1)

14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: II

IMDG: II

IATA: II

14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

IATA: no

14.6 Special precautions for user

no data available

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

This safety datasheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

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

no data available

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

SECTION 16: Other information

Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
H300	Fatal if swallowed.
H310	Fatal in contact with skin.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H330	Fatal if inhaled.
Skin Corr.	Skin corrosion

Full text of R-phrases referred to under sections 2 and 3

C	Corrosive
R26/27/28	Very toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.
R35	Causes severe burns.
T+	Very toxic

Further information

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