

Material Safety Data Sheet

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1 Identification of substance:

Product details:

Product name: Diethylgermanium dichloride

Stock number: 34108

Manufacturer/Supplier:

Alfa Aesar, A Johnson Matthey Company
Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.
30 Bond Street
Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099
Emergency Phone: (978) 521-6300
CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300
Web Site: www.alfa.com

Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department

Emergency information:

During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department. After normal hours call Chemtrec at (800) 424-9300.

2 Composition/Data on components:

Chemical characterization:

Description: (CAS#)

Diethylgermanium dichloride (CAS# 13314-52-8): 100%

Identification number(s):

EINECS Number: 236-344-5

3 Hazards identification

Hazard description:



C Corrosive

Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment

R 20/21/22 Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

R 34 Causes burns.

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH	3	Health (acute effects) = 3
FIRE	2	Flammability = 2
REACTIVITY	1	Reactivity = 1

GHS label elements



Danger

3.1/3 - Toxic if swallowed.

3.1/3 - Toxic in contact with skin.

3.1/4 - Harmful if inhaled.



Danger

3.2/1B - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Warning

2.6/4 - Combustible liquid.

Prevention:

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

Wash 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 SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

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IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
 IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position 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 or doctor/physician.
 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
 Specific treatment (see label).
 Specific measures (see label).
 Rinse mouth.
 Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing.
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
 In case of fire: Use for extinction: CO₂, powder or water spray.
Storage:
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
 Store locked up.
Disposal:
 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

4 First aid measures

General information Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.
After inhalation
 Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.
 Seek immediate medical advice.
After skin contact
 Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
 Seek immediate medical advice.
After eye contact
 Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
After swallowing Seek immediate medical advice.

5 Fire fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing agents CO₂, sand, extinguishing powder. Do not use water.
For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents Water
Special hazards caused by the material, its products of combustion or resulting gases:
 In case of fire, the following can be released:
 Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide
 Metal oxide fume
 Hydrogen chloride (HCl)
Protective equipment:
 Wear self-contained respirator.
 Wear fully protective impervious suit.

6 Accidental release measures

Person-related safety precautions:
 Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
 Ensure adequate ventilation
Measures for environmental protection:
 Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.
Measures for cleaning/collecting:
 Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).
 Use neutralizing agent.
 Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.
 Ensure adequate ventilation.
Additional information:
 See Section 7 for information on safe handling
 See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
 See Section 13 for disposal information.

7 Handling and storage

Handling
Information for safe handling:
 Handle under dry protective gas.
 Keep container tightly sealed.
 Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

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Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.

Information about protection against explosions and fires: Keep ignition sources away.

Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Store away from water/moisture.

Store away from oxidizing agents.

Store away from strong bases.

Further information about storage conditions:

Store under dry inert gas.

This product is moisture sensitive.

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

Protect from humidity and water.

8 Exposure controls and personal protection

Additional information about design of technical systems:

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace: Not required.

Additional information: No data

Personal protective equipment

General protective and hygienic measures

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

Breathing equipment: Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Protection of hands:

Impervious gloves

Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.

Material of gloves

The selection of suitable gloves not only depends on the material, but also on quality.

Quality will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.

Eye protection:

Safety glasses

Tightly sealed goggles

Full face protection

Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9 Physical and chemical properties:

General Information	
Form:	Liquid
Odor:	Not determined
Change in condition	
Melting point/Melting range:	Not determined
Boiling point/Boiling range:	175°C (347°F)
Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined
Flash point:	62°C (144°F)
Ignition temperature:	Not determined
Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Danger of explosion:	Product does not present an explosion hazard.
Explosion limits:	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
Vapor pressure:	Not determined
Density at 20°C (68°F):	1.37 g/cm ³
Solubility in / Miscibility with	
Water:	Reacts

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10 Stability and reactivity

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:

Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

Materials to be avoided:

Water/moisture
Oxidizing agents
Bases

Dangerous reactions No dangerous reactions known

Dangerous products of decomposition:

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide
Metal oxide fume
Hydrogen chloride (HCl)

11 Toxicological information

Acute toxicity:

Primary irritant effect:

on the skin:

Corrosive effect on skin and mucous membranes.
Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.

on the eye:

Strong corrosive effect.
Irritating effect.

Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

Subacute to chronic toxicity:

Germanium compounds generally have a low order of toxicity. The anion and compound reactivity may contribute the greater part of the toxicity.

Subacute to chronic toxicity:

Corrosive materials are acutely destructive to the respiratory tract, eyes, skin and digestive tract. Eye contact may result in permanent damage and complete vision loss. Inhalation may result in respiratory effects such as inflammation, edema, and chemical pneumonitis. May cause coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache, nausea and vomiting. Ingestion may cause damage to the mouth, throat and esophagus. May cause skin burns or irritation depending on the severity of the exposure.

Additional toxicological information:

To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

Danger through skin absorption.

Swallowing will lead to a strong corrosive effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.

No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

12 Ecological information:

General notes:

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

13 Disposal considerations

Product:

Recommendation Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.

Uncleaned packagings:

Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

14 Transport information

DOT regulations:



Hazard class:

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Packing group: II
Proper shipping name (technical name): CORROSIVE LIQUID, WATER-REACTIVE, N.O.S.
 (Diethylgermanium dichloride)
Label 8+4.3

Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)



ADR/RID class: 8 (C3) Corrosive substances
Danger code (Kemler): 80
UN-Number: 3265
Packaging group: II
Description of goods: 3265 CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.
 (Diethylgermanium dichloride)

Maritime transport IMDG:



IMDG Class: 8
UN Number: 3265
Label 8
Packaging group: II
Proper shipping name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.
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Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:



ICAO/IATA Class: 8
UN/ID Number: 3265
Label 8
Packaging group: II
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UN "Model Regulation": UN3265, CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S., 8, II

15 Regulations

Product related hazard informations:

Hazard symbols:
 C Corrosive

Risk phrases:
 20/21/22 Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.
 34 Causes burns.

Safety phrases:
 9 Keep container in a well-ventilated place.
 20 When using do not eat or drink.
 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
 36/37/39 Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.
 45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately.

National regulations

This product is not listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical Substance Inventory. Use of this product is restricted to research and development only.
 Some or all of the components of this product are not listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL) or the Canadian Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL).

Information about limitation of use: For use only by technically qualified individuals.

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16 Other information:

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing MSDS: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

Contact: Zachariah Holt

Abbreviations and acronyms:

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization

ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)

GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

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