



VITRAFOS

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY DESCRIPTION

RHODIA INC.
 RHODIA FOOD INGREDIENTS
 CN 7500
 Prospect Plains Road
 Cranbury NJ 08512-7500

Emergency Phone Numbers:

FOR EMERGENCIES INVOLVING A SPILL, LEAK, FIRE, EXPOSURE OR ACCIDENT
 CONTACT: CHEMTREC (800-424-9300 within the United States or
 703-527-3887 for international collect calls) or Rhodia CAERS
 (Communication and Emergency Response System) at 800-916-3232.

For Product Information:

(800) 343-8324

Chemical Name or Synonym:

VITRAFOS; CALGON; CHEMI-CHARL; SODIUM POLYMETAPHOSPHATE; GRAHAM'S SALT

2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| Component | CAS Reg Number | OSHA | |
|--|----------------|--------|------------|
| | | Hazard | Percentage |
| SODIUM POLYPHOSPHATES | 68915-31-1 | N | |
| ALTERNATE CAS # (SODIUM HEXAMETAPHOSPHATE) | 10124-56-8 | N | |

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

A. EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:

Physical Appearance and Odor:

white (powder, granules or glass plates) solid, odorless.

Warning Statements:

Based on currently available data, this product does not meet the regulatory definition of a hazardous substance. However, good industrial hygiene practices should be used in handling it.



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3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION (Continued)

B. POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

Acute Eye:

May cause irritation.

Acute Skin:

Skin absorption not likely. May cause slight transient irritation.

Acute Inhalation:

May cause upper respiratory tract irritation.

Acute Ingestion:

Ingestion of large quantities may cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps, decreased blood pressure, decreased heart rate, coma.

Chronic Effects:

This product does not contain any ingredient designated by IARC, NTP, ACGIH or OSHA as probable or suspected human carcinogens.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

FIRST AID MEASURES FOR ACCIDENTAL:

Eye Exposure:

Hold eyelids open and flush with a steady, gentle stream of water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention if irritation develops or persists or if visual changes occur.

Skin Exposure:

In case of contact, immediately wash with plenty of soap and water for at least 5 minutes. Seek medical attention if irritation develops or persists. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Clean contaminated clothing and shoes before re-use.

Inhalation:

If respiratory irritation or distress occurs remove victim to fresh air. Seek medical attention if respiratory irritation or distress continues.

Ingestion:

If victim is conscious and alert, give 2-3 glasses of water to drink and induce vomiting by touching back of throat with a finger. Do not induce vomiting or give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Seek



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4. FIRST AID MEASURES (Continued)

immediate medical attention. Do not leave victim unattended. Vomiting may occur spontaneously. To prevent aspiration of swallowed product, lay victim on side with head lower than waist. If vomiting occurs and the victim is conscious, give water to further dilute the chemical.

MEDICAL CONDITIONS POSSIBLY AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE:

Inhalation of product may aggravate existing chronic respiratory problems such as asthma, emphysema or bronchitis. Skin contact may aggravate existing skin disease.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN:

All treatments should be based on observed signs and symptoms of distress in the patient. Consideration should be given to the possibility that overexposure to materials other than this product may have occurred.

Ingestion of large quantities of phosphate salts (over 1.0 grams for an adult) may cause an osmotic catharsis resulting in diarrhea and probable abdominal cramps. Larger doses such as 4-8 grams will almost certainly cause these effects in everyone. In healthy individuals most of the ingested salt will be excreted in the feces with the diarrhea and, thus, not cause any systemic toxicity. Doses greater than 10 grams hypothetically may cause systemic toxicity. Treatment should take into consideration both anionic and cation portion of the molecule. The following treatments should be considered for the specific group(s) of phosphate salts found in this product:

- All phosphate salts, except calcium salts, have a hypothetical risk of hypocalcemia, so calcium levels should be monitored.
- Ammonium salts have a hypothetical risk of ammonia toxicity. In addition to calcium levels, ammonia and phosphate levels should be monitored.
- Potassium salts have a hypothetical risk of hyperkalemia which can cause cardiac arrhythmia. In addition to calcium levels, potassium and phosphate levels should be monitored. Also consider continuous EKG monitoring to detect hyperkalemia.
- Sodium salts have a hypothetical risk of hypernatremia. In addition to calcium levels, sodium and phosphate levels should be monitored.



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5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FIRE HAZARD DATA:

Flash Point:

Not Applicable

Extinguishing Media:

Not combustible. Use extinguishing method suitable for surrounding fire.

Special Fire Fighting Procedures:

Firefighters should wear NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing. Dike area to prevent runoff and contamination of water sources. Dispose of fire control water later.

Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:

Not combustible.

Hazardous Decomposition Materials (Under Fire Conditions):

oxides of sodium
oxides of phosphorus

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Evacuation Procedures and Safety:

Wear appropriate protective gear for the situation. See Personal Protection information in Section 8.

Containment of Spill:

Dike or retain dilution water or water from firefighting for later disposal. Follow procedure described below under Cleanup and Disposal of Spill.

Cleanup and Disposal of Spill:

Sweep or vacuum up and place in an appropriate closed container (see Section 7: Handling and Storage). Clean up residual material by washing area with water. DO NOT RETURN MATERIAL TO ITS ORIGINAL CONTAINER. Decontaminate tools and equipment following cleanup.

Environmental and Regulatory Reporting:

Prevent material from entering public sewer system or any waterways. Spills may be reportable to the National Response Center (800-424-8802)



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6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES (Continued)

and to state and/or local agencies.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Minimum/Maximum Storage Temperatures:

Not Available

Handling:

Keep containers closed when not being used.

Storage:

Store in an area that is cool, dry.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Introductory Remarks:

These recommendations provide general guidance for handling this product. Because specific work environments and material handling practices vary, safety procedures should be developed for each intended application. While developing safe handling procedures, do not overlook the need to clean equipment and piping systems for maintenance and repairs. Waste resulting from these procedures should be handled in accordance with Section 13: Disposal Considerations.

Assistance with selection, use and maintenance of worker protection equipment is generally available from equipment manufacturers.

Exposure Guidelines:

Exposure limits represent regulated or recommended worker breathing zone concentrations measured by validated sampling and analytical methods, meeting the regulatory requirements. The following limits apply to this material, where, if indicated, S=skin and C=ceiling limit:



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8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION (Continued)

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| PARTICULATES NOT OTHERWISE REGULATED RESPIRABLE FRACTION | | | |
| | Notes | TWA | STEL |
| OSHA | | 5 mg/cu m | |

| | | | |
|--|--------------|------------|-------------|
| PARTICULATES NOT OTHERWISE REGULATED TOTAL DUST | | | |
| | Notes | TWA | STEL |
| OSHA | | 15 mg/cu m | |

Engineering Controls:

Where engineering controls are indicated by use conditions or a potential for excessive exposure exists, the following traditional exposure control techniques may be used to effectively minimize employee exposures.

Respiratory Protection:

When respirators are required, select NIOSH/MSHA approved equipment based on actual or potential airborne concentrations and in accordance with the appropriate regulatory standards and/or industrial recommendations.

Eye/Face Protection:

Eye and face protection requirements will vary dependent upon work environment conditions and material handling practices. Appropriate ANSI Z87 approved equipment should be selected for the particular use intended for this material.

It is generally regarded as good practice to wear a minimum of safety glasses with side shields when working in industrial environments.

Skin Protection:

Skin contact should be minimized through use of gloves and suitable long-sleeved clothing (i.e., shirts and pants). Consideration must be given both to durability as well as permeation resistance.

Work Practice Controls:

Personal hygiene is an important work practice exposure control measure and the following general measures should be taken when working with or handling this material:

- (1) Do not store, use, and/or consume foods, beverages, tobacco products, or cosmetics in areas where this material is stored.
- (2) Wash hands and face carefully before eating, drinking, using tobacco, applying cosmetics, or using the toilet.



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8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION (Continued)

(3) Wash exposed skin promptly to remove accidental splashes or contact with this material.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical and Chemical properties here represent typical properties of this product. Contact the business area using the Product Information phone number in Section 1 for its exact specifications.

Physical Appearance:

white (powder, granules or glass plates) solid.

Odor:

odorless.

pH:

7 at 1 wt/wt%.

Specific Gravity:

1.6 at 20 C (68 F).

Water Solubility:

soluble

Melting Point Range:

628 C (1162 F)

Boiling Point Range:

Not Available

Vapor Pressure:

Not Available

Vapor Density:

Not Available



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10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability:

This material is stable under normal handling and storage conditions described in Section 7.

Conditions To Be Avoided:

extreme humidity

Materials/Chemicals To Be Avoided:

none known

The Following Hazardous Decomposition Products Might Be Expected:

Decomposition Type: thermal

oxides of sodium

oxides of phosphorus

Hazardous Polymerization Will Not Occur.

Avoid The Following To Inhibit Hazardous Polymerization:

not applicable

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Eye Irritation:

Toxicological Information and Interpretation

eye - eye irritation, rabbit.

Mildly irritating. Unwashed.

eye - eye irritation, rabbit.

Non-irritating. Washed.

Acute Skin Irritation:

No test data found for product.

Acute Dermal Toxicity:

No test data found for product.

Acute Respiratory Irritation:

No test data found for product.

Acute Inhalation Toxicity:

No test data found for product.



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11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION (Continued)

Acute Oral Toxicity:

Toxicological Information and Interpretation

LD50 - lethal dose 50% of test species, 3053 mg/kg, rat.

LD50 - lethal dose 50% of test species, 4320 mg/kg, mouse.

Chronic Toxicity:

This product does not contain any substances that are considered by OSHA, NTP, IARC or ACGIH to be "probable" or "suspected" human carcinogens.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicological Information:

No data found for product.

Chemical Fate Information:

No data found for product.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Method:

Chemical additions, processing or otherwise altering this material may make the waste management information presented in this MSDS incomplete, inaccurate or otherwise inappropriate. Please be advised that state and local requirements for waste disposal may be more restrictive or otherwise different from federal laws and regulations. Consult state and local regulations regarding the proper disposal of this material.

EPA Hazardous Waste - NO

14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION



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14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION (Continued)

Transportation Status: IMPORTANT! Statements below provide additional data on listed DOT classification.

The listed Transportation Classification does not address regulatory variations due to changes in package size, mode of shipment or other regulatory descriptors.

US Department of Transportation

Shipping Name:

NOT REGULATED

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Inventory Status

| Inventory | Status |
|------------------------|--------|
| UNITED STATES (TSCA) | Y |
| CANADA (DSL) | Y |
| EUROPE (EINECS/ELINCS) | Y |
| AUSTRALIA (AICS) | Y |
| JAPAN (MITI) | Y |
| SOUTH KOREA (KECL) | Y |

Y = All ingredients are on the inventory.

E = All ingredients are on the inventory or exempt from listing.

P = One or more ingredients fall under the polymer exemption or are on the no longer polymer list. All other ingredients are on the inventory or exempt from listing.

N = Not determined or one or more ingredients are not on the inventory and are not exempt from listing.

FEDERAL REGULATIONS

Inventory Issues:

All functional components of this product are listed on the TSCA Inventory.

SARA Title III Hazard Classes:

- Fire Hazard - NO
- Reactive Hazard - NO
- Release of Pressure - NO
- Acute Health Hazard - NO
- Chronic Health Hazard - NO