

1 Identification

Product identifier

Product name: Holmium (III) fluoride

Stock number: 11278

CAS Number:

13760-78-6

EC number:

237-352-1

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

Identified use: SU24 Scientific research and development

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Manufacturer/Supplier:

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Emergency telephone number:

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2 Hazard(s) identification

Classification of the substance or mixture in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)



GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 3 H331 Toxic if inhaled.



GHS07

Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.

Acute Tox. 4 H312 Harmful in contact with skin.

Skin Irrit. 2 H315 Causes skin irritation.

Eye Irrit. 2A H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

STOT SE 3 H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Hazards not otherwise classified No information known.

Label elements

GHS label elements The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Hazard pictograms



GHS06

Signal word Danger

Hazard statements

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Precautionary statements

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P405 Store locked up.

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WHMIS classification

D1B - Toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects

D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects



Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH 1 Health (acute effects) = 1

FIRE 0 Flammability = 0

REACTIVITY 0 Physical Hazard = 0

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: Not applicable.

vPvB: Not applicable.

3 Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical characterization: Substances

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4 First-aid measures Description of first aid measures 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. Rub in calcium gluconate solution or calcium gluconate gel immediately. Seek immediate medical advice. After eye contact Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor. After swallowing Seek medical treatment. Information for doctor Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed No further relevant information available. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed No further relevant information available.	
5 Fire-fighting measures Extinguishing media Suitable extinguishing agents Product is not flammable. Use fire-fighting measures that suit the surrounding fire. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released: Hydrogen fluoride (HF) Advice for firefighters Protective equipment: Wear self-contained respirator. Wear fully protective impervious suit.	
6 Accidental release measures Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away. Ensure adequate ventilation Environmental precautions: Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up: Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13. Ensure adequate ventilation. Prevention of secondary hazards: No special measures required. Reference to other sections 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 Precautions for safe handling Keep container tightly sealed. Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers. Ensure good ventilation at the workplace. Information about protection against explosions and fires: The product is not flammable Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities Storage Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles: No special requirements. Information about storage in one common storage facility: No information known. Further information about storage conditions: Keep container tightly sealed. Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers. Specific end use(s) No further relevant information available.	
8 Exposure controls/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. Control parameters Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace: Fluorides (as F) mg/m3 ACGIH TLV 2.5 Austria MAK 2.5 Belgium TWA 2.5 Finland TWA 2.5 France TWA 2.5 Germany MAK 2.5 Hungary TWA 1; 2-STEL Netherlands MAC-K 3.5 Norway TWA 0.6 Poland TWA 1; 3-STEL Sweden NGV 2 Switzerland MAK-W 1.5; 3-KZG-W United Kingdom TWA 2.5 Russia TWA 2 Denmark TWA 2.5 USA PEL 2.5	
13760-78-6 Holmium (III) fluoride (100.0%)	
PEL (USA)	Long-term value: 2.5 mg/m³ as F
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REL (USA)	Long-term value: 2.5 mg/m³ as F
TLV (USA)	Long-term value: 2.5 mg/m³ as F, BEI
EL (Canada)	Long-term value: 2.5 mg/m³ as F
Ingredients with biological limit values:	
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BEI (USA)	2 mg/L Medium: urine Time: prior to shift Parameter: Fluoride (background, nonspecific) 3 mg/L Medium: urine Time: end of shift Parameter: Fluoride (background, nonspecific)
Additional information: No data	
Exposure controls	
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.	
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.	
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.	
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	
Body protection: Protective work clothing.	
9 Physical and chemical properties	
Information on basic physical and chemical properties	
General Information	
Appearance:	
Form:	Crystalline
Color:	Yellow
Odor:	Odorless
Odor threshold:	Not determined.
pH-value:	Not applicable.
Change in condition	
Melting point/Melting range:	1143 °C (2089 °F)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	2200 °C (3992 °F)
Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined
Flash point:	Not applicable
Flammability (solid, gaseous)	Not determined.
Ignition temperature:	Not determined
Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Auto igniting:	Not determined.
Danger of explosion:	
Product does not present an explosion hazard.	
Explosion limits:	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
Vapor pressure:	Not applicable.
Density:	Not determined
Relative density	Not determined.
Vapor density	Not applicable.
Evaporation rate	Not applicable.
Solubility in / Miscibility with	
Water:	Insoluble
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	Not determined.
Viscosity:	
dynamic:	Not applicable.
kinematic:	Not applicable.
Other information	
No further relevant information available.	
10 Stability and reactivity	
Reactivity No information known.	
Chemical stability Stable under recommended storage conditions.	
Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided: Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.	
Possibility of hazardous reactions No dangerous reactions known	
Conditions to avoid No further relevant information available.	
Incompatible materials: No information known.	
Hazardous decomposition products: Hydrogen fluoride	
11 Toxicological information	
Information on toxicological effects	
Acute toxicity:	
Harmful if inhaled.	
Harmful in contact with skin.	
Harmful if swallowed.	
Danger through skin absorption.	
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification: No data	
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Skin irritation or corrosion: Causes skin irritation.
Eye irritation or corrosion: Causes serious eye irritation.
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.
Germ cell mutagenicity: No effects known.
Carcinogenicity: No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.
Reproductive toxicity: No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure: No effects known.
Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: May cause respiratory irritation.
Aspiration hazard: No effects known.
Subacute to chronic toxicity:
Lanthanons can cause delayed blood clotting leading to hemorrhages. Exposure may also lead to sensitivity to heat, itching, increased awareness of odor and taste, and liver damage.
Fluorides may cause salivation, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and abdominal pain, followed by weakness, tremors, shallow respiration, convulsions and coma. May cause brain and kidney damage. Chronic fluoride poisoning can cause severe bone changes, loss of weight, anorexia, anemia and dental defects.
Subacute to chronic toxicity: No effects known.
Additional toxicological information: To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

12 Ecological information

Toxicity
Aquatic toxicity: No further relevant information available.
Persistence and degradability No further relevant information available.
Bioaccumulative potential No further relevant information available.
Mobility in soil No further relevant information available.
Additional ecological information:
General notes:
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.
Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.
Avoid transfer into the environment.
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT: Not applicable.
vPvB: Not applicable.
Other adverse effects No further relevant information available.

13 Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods
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

UN-Number DOT, IMDG, IATA	UN3288
UN proper shipping name DOT IMDG, IATA	Toxic solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (holmium fluoride) TOXIC SOLID, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (holmium fluoride)
Transport hazard class(es) DOT 	
Class Label Class Label IMDG, IATA 	6.1 Toxic substances. 6.1 6.1 (T5) Toxic substances 6.1
Packing group DOT, IMDG, IATA	III
Environmental hazards:	Not applicable.
Special precautions for user	Warning: Toxic substances
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
Transport/Additional information: DOT Marine Pollutant (DOT): Item:	No
UN "Model Regulation":	UN3288, Toxic solid, inorganic, n.o.s. (holmium fluoride), 6.1, III

15 Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
GHS label elements The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
Hazard pictograms



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USA

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National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings) Substance is not listed.

California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male Substance is not listed.

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

Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations

Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006. Substance is not listed.

The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the

market and use must be observed.

Substance is not listed.

Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use) Substance is not listed.

Chemical safety assessment: A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

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 SDS: Global Marketing Department

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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)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

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

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (USA)

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (USA)

NTP: National Toxicology Program (USA)

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency (USA)