## MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET



## 1. Product and Company Identification

Material name DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE

Version # 03

**Revision date** 08-26-2011 **CAS #** 67-68-5

Product Codes J.T.Baker: 6346, 9033, 9194, 9224, 9225

Macron: 0042, 11400, 2969, 4948

Synonym(s) Methyl sulfoxide \* DMSO \* Sulfinyl bis(methane)

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### 2. Hazards Identification

Emergency overview CAUTION

Combustible liquid and vapor. May burn, but does not ignite readily.

May cause eye irritation. Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause drying, cracking, or

irritation.

OSHA regulatory status This product is considered hazardous under 29 CFR 1910.1200 (Hazard Communication).

Potential health effects

Routes of exposure Inhalation. Ingestion. Skin contact. Eye contact.

**Eyes** May cause temporary eye irritation.

**Skin** May cause skin irritation in susceptible persons. Prolonged or repeated contact with skin may

cause redness, itching, irritation and eczema/chapping.

**Inhalation** High mist concentrations may cause irritation of respiratory tract.

**Ingestion** Expected to be a low ingestion hazard. May cause irritation of the gastrointestinal tract.

Target organs Eyes. Skin.

Chronic effects Frequent or prolonged contact may defat and dry the skin, leading to discomfort and dermatitis.

Potential environmental effects The product components are not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not

exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the

environment.

## 3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

Non-hazardous components	CAS#	Percent
DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE	67-68-5	99 - 100

#### 4. First Aid Measures

First aid procedures

Eye contact Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If easy to do, remove contact

lenses. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.

Skin contact Wash skin with soap and water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

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**Inhalation** Move to fresh air. Treat symptomatically. Get medical attention if symptoms persist.

**Ingestion** Seek medical advice. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, call a poison control center

immediately.

Notes to physician Treat symptomatically.

General advice Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to

protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

## 5. Fire Fighting Measures

Flammable properties Combustible liquid and vapor. Vapors may ignite. Vapors may travel considerable distance to a

source of ignition and flash back.

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing

media

Water spray. Foam. Dry powder. Carbon dioxide (CO2).

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

None known.

Protection of firefighters

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

May burn, but does not ignite readily. Vapor from the solvent may accumulate in container headspace resulting in flammability hazard.

Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in enclosed spaces, SCBA. Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety device or any discoloration of tanks due to fire. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. For massive fire in cargo area, use unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles, if possible. If not, withdraw and let fire burn out. Some of these materials, if spilled, may evaporate leaving a flammable residue. Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH

(approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

Specific methods In the event of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Use water spray to cool unopened

containers.

**Hazardous combustion products** Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. Sulfur oxides.

### 6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal precautions Keep unnecessary personnel away. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during

clean-up. Keep upwind. Keep out of low areas. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them.

Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

Environmental precautions Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or

onto the ground.

Methods for containment ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Stop the

flow of material, if this is without risk. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined

areas. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible.

**Methods for cleaning up**Use only non-sparking tools. All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded.

Large Spills: Use a non-combustible material like vermiculite, sand or earth to soak up the product

and place into a container for later disposal. Dike far ahead of spill for later disposal.

Small Spills: Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Collect in a non-combustible

container for prompt disposal.

Never return spills in original containers for re-use. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual

contamination. Clean up in accordance with all applicable regulations.

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## 7. Handling and Storage

Handling DO NOT handle, store or open near an open flame, sources of heat or sources of ignition. Protect

material from direct sunlight. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. See Section 8 of the MSDS for Personal Protective Equipment.

**Storage** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Ground container and

transfer equipment to eliminate static electric sparks. Comply with all national, state, and local codes pertaining to the storage, handling, dispensing, and disposal of flammable liquids.

# 8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

### Occupational exposure limits

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Material	Туре	Value
DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE (67-68-5)	TWA	250.0000 ppm

Engineering controls Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates

should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level.

Explosion proof exhaust ventilation should be used.

Personal protective equipment

**Eye / face protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

**Skin protection** Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing. Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

**Respiratory protection**Use a positive-pressure air-supplied respirator if there is any potential for an uncontrolled release,

exposure levels are not known, or any other circumstances where air-purifying respirators may

not provide adequate protection.

General hygeine considerations

Provide eyewash station and safety shower. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking.

Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

**General** Wear chemical protective equipment that is specifically recommended by the manufacturer.

Launder contaminated clothing before reuse.

## 9. Physical & Chemical Properties

Appearance Clear.

Color Colorless.

Odor Pungent.

Odor threshold Not available.

Physical state Liquid.
Form Liquid.

pH Not available.

Melting point 64.4 °F (18.45 °C)

Freezing point 64.4 °F (18.45 °C)

Boiling point 372.2 °F (189 °C)

Flash point 192.2 °F (89 °C) Closed Cup

**Evaporation rate** 4.3 BuAc

Flammability limits in air, upper,

% by volume

42 %

Flammability limits in air, lower,

% by volume

2.6 %

**Vapor pressure** 0.08133 kPa at 25°C

Vapor density Not available.

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Specific gravity 1.1

Relative density

Not available.

Solubility (water)

Miscible.

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(n-octanol/water)

Auto-ignition temperature419 °F (215 °C)Molecular weight78.13 g/molMolecular formulaC2-H6-O-S

# 10. Chemical Stability & Reactivity Information

Chemical stability Material is stable under normal conditions. The substance is hygroscopic and will absorb water by

contact with the moisture in the air.

Conditions to avoid Heat, sparks, flames.

**Incompatible materials** Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids. Strong bases. Inorganic halides.

Hazardous decomposition

products

Carbon monoxide. Carbon Dioxide. Sulfur oxides.

Possibility of hazardous

reactions

Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

## 11. Toxicological Information

### Toxicological data

Product Test Results

DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE (67-68-5)

Acute Oral LD50 Rat: 14500 g/kg

**Sensitization** Not a skin sensitizer.

Acute effects Low hazard for usual industrial or commercial handling.

Local effects May cause eye irritation. Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause drying, cracking, or

irritation.

Chronic effects Frequent or prolonged contact may defat and dry the skin, leading to discomfort and dermatitis.

Carcinogenicity This product is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or OSHA.

**Skin corrosion/irritation** Causes mild skin irritation.

**Epidemiology** No epidemiological data is available for this product.

Mutagenicity No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are

mutagenic or genotoxic.

Reproductive effects Contains no ingredient listed as toxic to reproduction

**Teratogenicity**No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% may cause

birth defects.

Symptoms and target

organs

Mild eye irritation. Mild skin irritation.

#### 12. Ecological Information

### Ecotoxicological data

Product Test Results

DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE (67-68-5) LC50 Rainbow trout, donaldson trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss):

33000 mg/l 96.00 hours

**Ecotoxicity** The product components are not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not

exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the

environment.

**Environmental effects**An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Persistence and

degradability

The product is not readily biodegradable.

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## 13. Disposal Considerations

**Disposal instructions**Dispose of this material and its container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

Incinerate the material under controlled conditions in an approved incinerator. All wastes must be

handled in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

### 14. Transport Information

### DOT

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

#### **IATA**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

#### **IMDG**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

## 15. Regulatory Information

US federal regulations This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication

Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory List.

CERCLA/SARA Hazardous Substances - Not applicable.

#### CERCLA (Superfund) reportable quantity

None

#### Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

Hazard categories Immediate Hazard - Yes

Delayed Hazard - No Fire Hazard - Yes Pressure Hazard - No Reactivity Hazard - No

Inventory name

Section 311 hazardous

Country(s) or region

chemical

Yes

### Inventory status

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Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes

<sup>\*</sup>A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

State regulations This product does not contain a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory

defects or other reproductive harm.

United States & Puerto Rico

On inventory (yes/no)\*

Yes

Saf-T-Data Health: 1 - Slight

> Flammability: 2 - Moderate Reactivity: 1 - Slight Contact: 2 - Moderate

Lab Protective Equip: BB - GOGGLES; LAB COAT; VENT HOOD; PROPER GLOVES; CLASS B

**EXTINGUISHER** 

Storage Color Code: R - Red (Flammable)

# 16. Labeling Info

**Label Hazard Warning** 

CAUTION

Combustible liquid and vapor. May cause eye irritation. Prolonged or repeated skin contact may

cause drying, cracking, or irritation.

**Label Precautions** Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wash

thoroughly after handling. Keep container closed.

**Label First Aid** Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Flush skin thoroughly with

> water. If gas/fume/vapor/dust/mist from the material is inhaled, remove the affected person immediately to fresh air. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. If ingestion of a

large amount does occur, call a poison control center immediately.

### 17. Other Information

NFPA ratings

Health: 1 Flammability: 2 Instability: 0

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