

CETYL ALCOHOL

Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

1. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: cetyl alcohol
INCI Name: cetyl alcohol
Synonyms: 1-hexadecanol, hexadecyl alcohol
CAS Number: 36653-82-4
EINECS Number: 253-149-0
Origin: synthetic

2. PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Melting Point: 54°C (129°F)
Boiling Point: 179°C (354°F)
Vapor Pressure, mmHg: not applicable
Vapor Density, Air= 1: not applicable
% Volatile by Volume: not applicable
Specific Gravity: 0.95
Solubility in water: soluble
pH Value: 6 - 8 (1% solution)
Appearance & Odor: white flakes, no or faint odor

3. STABILITY & REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability: stable under normal conditions
Incompatibility: strong oxidizers, strong mineral acids
Hazardous Decomposition: none known
Hazardous Polymerisation: can not occur

4. HANDLING & STORAGE

Avoid contact with eyes. Wash thoroughly after handling. As with all chemicals, good industrial hygiene practices should be followed when handling this material.
Avoid freezing or excessive heat. Do not handle or store near an open flame, heat or other sources of ignition. Keep the container tightly closed and in a cool, well-ventilated place.

5. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Isolate spill area immediately. Keep unauthorized personnel away. Ventilate closed spaces before entering. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas. Surface may become slippery after spillage. Use vacuum or broom sweeping and remove to disposal container. If damp, flush with water.

6. EXPOSURE CONTROLS & PERSONAL PROTECTION

Respiratory Protection: No specific protective measures necessary.
Protective Clothing: Gloves recommended to prevent prolonged skin contact. Safety glasses, goggles, or face shield recommended for eye protection.
Other Protective Measures: Employees must practice good personal hygiene, washing exposed areas of skin several times daily and laundering contaminated clothing before re-use.

7. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

General: Not a health hazard.
Inhalation: No specific hazard known.

Eye Contact: Not an eye irritant.
Skin Contact: Not a skin irritant.
Skin Absorption: None detected.
Ingestion: No specific hazards known; but when gastrointestinal symptoms occur seek medical attention

8. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eyes: Irrigate eyes with a heavy stream of water for at least 15 to 20 minutes. If irritation persists get medical attention.
Skin: Wash exposed areas of the body with soap and water.
Inhalation: Remove from area of exposure. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Seek medical attention if symptoms persist.
Ingestion: Give one or two glasses of water to drink. If gastrointestinal symptoms develop, consult medical personnel.

9. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flash Point: > 200°F (PMCC)
Extinguishing Media: Use water fog, foam, carbon dioxide, or dry chemical
Fire Fighting Procedures: Firefighters should wear full fire-fighting turn-out gear (full Bunker gear) including NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

10. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute LD50: not determined
Chronic LD50: not determined
Decomposition: not determined
Ecological Toxicity: not determined

11. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Storage and disposal must be in accordance with applicable local, state & federal disposal regulations. Characterization and compliance with applicable laws are the responsibility solely of the generator.

12. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT Shipping Name / Hazard Class: Not Restricted
ADR/ RIC Code / Hazard Class: Not Restricted
Sea Transport IMDG Code / Hazard Class: Not Restricted
Air Transport IATA Code / Hazard Class: Not Restricted

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