Camlab Limited – Material Safety Data Sheet

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Product Code	1110503
Product Name	MERCURIC CHLORIDE pure
Molecular Formula	HgCl ₂ =271.50
CAS Number	7487-94-7
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2. Composition

Component	CAS No	EEC No	Conc w/w	Classification & Risk Phrases	Exp (See 8.1)
Mercury & its inorganic diva	7487-94-7	231-299-8	> 99.9%	T+ N : R28,R34,R48/24/25,R50/53	WEL

3. Hazards Identification



Very toxic if swallowed. Causes burns. Toxic: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure in contact with skin and if swallowed. Very Toxic to aquatic organisms and may cause long term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

4. First Aid Measu	Jres
Eyes	Irrigate thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 10 minutes, holding the eye open. Unless contact has been slight OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION
Skin	Wash off skin thoroughly with water. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.
Inhalation	Remove from exposure. Keep warm and at rest. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.
Ingestion	Wash out the patients mouth thoroughly with water. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION URGENTLY.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Hazards	Evacuate area immediately. Keep up wind. Avoid exposure to toxic vapours and fumes. Fire- fighters should wear protective clothing and breathing apparatus. May evolve toxic fumes if involved in a fire.
Extinguishing Media	Consider what other flammable materials are present and act accordingly. Use water spray to keep fire exposed containers cool.
Unsuitable Media	Nothing specified.

6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal Protection	Avoid breathing vapour. Evacuate area immediately. Use approved personal protective equipment. Do not allow other people to enter area. Do not allow general use of area until it is safe to do so.
Enviromental	Keep material out of sewers, storm drains, surface waters and soil. Notify the Environmental Agency and local Environmental Health Officer if major spillage occurs.

6. Accidental Release Measures (continued)

Major Spillage Vacuum up into container for removal. Carefully remove material from vacuum cleaner and transfer to sealable container for disposal. Carry out this operation under fume extraction. Wash area down with copious amounts of water.

Minor Spillage Vacuum up into container for removal. Carefully remove material from vacuum cleaner and transfer to sealable container for disposal. Carry out this operation under fume extraction. Wash area down with copious amounts of water.

7. Storage & Handling

Handling Precautions Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breath dust. Do not allow to contaminate clothing. Ensure Local Exhaust Ventilation maintains dust concentrations to a minimum. Storage Conditions Well ventilated, cool, dry storage .

8.1 Workplace Exposure Limits

Workplace Exposure Limits	Long Term (8hr TWA):	-	ppm	0.0250	mg m-3	
	Short Term (15min Period):	-	ppm	-	mg m-3	

Special Hazards Biological monitoring may be appropriate.

8.2 Personal	Protection
Respiratory	Use L.E.V. or natural ventilation to maintain vapour concentrations below exposure limits. If not, use a well maintained chemical cartridge respirator, or use self contained breathing apparatus.
Hands	Wear gloves.
Eyes	Use chemical splash proof glasses or goggles.
Skin	Avoid contact with skin.

9. Physical & Chemical Properties

Appearance	White crystalline solid.
Odour	No specific odour.
рH	Not available
Boiling point	302.0 °C
Melting point	276.0 °C
Flash point	Not available
Upper Flammable Limit	Not available
Lower Flammable Limit	Not available
Auto Ignition	Not available
Explosive properties	No.
Oxidising Properties	No.
Vapour Presure	Negligible
Relative Density	Not available
Water Solubility	7.4%

10. Stability & Reactivity

Chemical Stability	Stable under normal conditions
Conditions to Avoid	No specific conditions.
Materials to Avoid	Forms explosive compounds with ammonia, acetylenic compounds, azides and ethylene oxide.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Decomposes to emit highly toxic fumes of mercury.

11. Toxicological	Information
Eyes	Contact with the solid or solution may be irritating to the eyes.
Skin	Contact with the solid or solution may be irritating to the skin. Very toxic in contact with skin.
LD50 Skin	Mice 23 mg/Kg
Ingest	Toxic if swallowed. Chronic poisoning leads inflammation of mouth and gums, excessive salivation, loosening of teeth, kidney damage, muscle tremors, jerky gait, and spasms of extremities. Personality changes may occur including, depression, irritability and nervousness.
LD50 Ingest	Oral Rat 37mg/Kg
Inhalation	Very toxic by inhalation.
Carcinogenicity	Has been found to cause cancer in laboratory animals.
Mutagenicity	Not considered to be a mutagen.
Reproductive Effects	None identified.

12. Ecological

Mercury and its compounds are highly toxic to the environment. Very Toxic to aquatic organisms and may cause long term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

13. Disposal Considerations

Disposal Methods

Add a mixture of equal amounts of slaked lime (calcium hydroxide) and flowers of sulphur wetted with enough water to form a thin paste prior to disposal via an authorised toxic waste service.

Contaminated Packaging Use a licensed waste disposer.

14. Transport Information

Proper Shipping Name	Mercuric Chloride	
UN Number	1624	\wedge
UN Classification	6.1 Toxic	
Subsidiary Risk	None	
Flash Point	Not available	
Packing Group	II	
Transport Category	2	
Marine pollutant	No	
ADR Hazard ID	60	6.1
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15. Regulatory Information

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Labelling Classification	Very Toxic, Dangerous for the Environment.
Label Symbols	
Risk & safety Phrases	Very toxic if swallowed. Causes burns. Toxic: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure in contact with skin and if swallowed. Very Toxic to aquatic organisms and may cause long term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. Keep locked up and out of reach of children. Wear suitable protective clothing,gloves and eye/face protection. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label). This material and/or its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Avoid release to the environment, refer to special instructions/safety data sheet.
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16. Other Information

Document Information This document has been prepared in accordance with directive 88/379/EEC.

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