



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Product Name: Al Stearate 404 40x25 Lb Bag
Chemical Family: Stearate
Chemical Name: Octadecanoic acid, aluminum salt
Synonyms: Aluminum Tristearate.
Formula: C54H108O6Al
CAS-No.: 637-12-7
Product code: 1035972

Date of Preparation: 04/12/2007

2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

CAUTION
May cause irritation of respiratory tract. May cause eye/skin irritation.

NFPA 704

Colour: White	Health: 1
Physical state: Powder	Fire: 1
Odour: Mild	Instability: 0

Potential Health Effects

Principle routes of exposure: Eye contact. Skin contact. Inhalation.

Eye contact: Contact with eyes may cause irritation.

Skin contact: Prolonged skin contact may cause skin irritation.

Inhalation: Over-exposure by inhalation may cause respiratory irritation.

Ingestion: May irritate digestive tract.

Chronic toxicity: No known effects under normal conditions of use.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Components	CAS Number	Weight %
Aluminum stearate	637-12-7	100%

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye contact: Flush eye(s) immediately with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops.

Skin contact: Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Get medical attention if irritation develops.

Inhalation: Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If symptoms persist, call a physician.

Ingestion: Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water. Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. Consult a physician.

Notes to physician: Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Flash point (°C): >260 °C (500°F) Method: PMCC

Suitable extinguishing media: Use dry chemical, CO₂, water spray or "alcohol" foam.

Hazardous decomposition products: Carbon oxides. Al₂O₃.

Special protective equipment for firefighters: As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

Unusual hazards: None known.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions: Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe vapors/dust.

Environmental precautions: Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Do not let product enter drains.

Methods for cleaning up: Pick up and transfer to properly labelled containers. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling: Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe vapours/dust. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Wear personal protective equipment.

Storage: Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure limits

Components	OSHA	ACGIH
Aluminum stearate	Not established	10 mg/m ³ TWA

Engineering measures: Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust or fume is formed. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are proximal to the work-station location.

Eye protection: Safety glasses with side-shields. Avoid contact with eyes.

Skin and body protection: Lightweight protective clothing.

Hand protection: Impervious gloves.

Respiratory protection: In case of insufficient ventilation wear suitable respiratory equipment.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Colour:	White	Physical state:	Powder
Odour:	Mild	Molecular weight:	No data available
Boiling point/range (°C):	No data available	pH:	No data available
Melting point/range (°C):	107 - 111	Specific gravity (Water =1):	> 1.000
Vapor pressure (mmHg):	No data available	Evaporation rate (Water =1):	No data available
Water solubility (mg/l):	Insoluble	VOC content (%)	No data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability: Stable at normal conditions

Polymerization: None under normal processing

Hazardous decomposition products: Carbon oxides. Heavy metal compounds.

Materials to avoid: Strong oxidizing agents.

Conditions to avoid: Avoid dust formation.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity: No data is available on the product itself

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Aquatic toxicity: Not determined

Persistence and degradability: Not determined

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste from residues / unused products: Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations. Where possible recycling is preferred to disposal or incineration.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (U.S.)

Proper shipping name: Not regulated.

TDG (Canada)

Proper shipping name: Not regulated.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. Regulations:

Not subject to the provisions of SARA 313 Title III

Not subject to TSCA 12(b) Export Notification

State Regulations

This product or its ingredients have been evaluated for New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and California Prop 65 supplier notification requirements. Substances that are subject to notification requirements, if any, are listed below.

Canadian WHMIS

WHMIS hazard class: Non-controlled.

Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List (IDL): Not Listed.

International Inventories

TSCA 8(b): Listed or exempt.

Canadian DSL: Listed or exempt.

EINECS: Listed or exempt.

Phillipines (PICCS): Listed.

Japan (ENCS): Listed or exempt.

Korea (KECL): Listed.

China (IECS): Listed.

Australia (AICS): Listed.

For Industrial Use Only

HMIS

Health: 1

Fire: 1

Physical hazard: 0

PPE: E

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