

# **Ammonium Nitrate**

## **SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION**

Product Identifier Ammonium Nitrate

Other Means of Identification

None

Product Code(s) AM5410, AM5420
Product Family Inorganic Solid

**Recommended Use** Laboratory and industrial use.

Restrictions on Use None known.

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## **SECTION 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION**

Classified according to Canada's Hazardous Products Regulations (WHMIS 2015) and the US Hazard Communication Standard (HCS 2012).

#### Classification

Oxidizing solid - Category 3; Eye irritation - Category 2A

#### **Label Elements**





Signal Word: Warning

Hazard Statement(s): May intensify fire; oxidizer.

Causes serious eye irritation.

Precautionary Statement(s):

Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.

Keep or store away from clothing and other combustible materials.

Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles.

Wash hands and skin thoroughly after handling.

Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.

Response:

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.

Continue rinsing.

If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention. In case of fire: Use appropriate foam to extinguish. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice or attention.

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Disposal:

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

#### Other Hazards

None known.

## **SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

#### Mixture:

Chemical Name	CAS No.	%	Other Identifiers
Ammonium nitrate	6484-52-2	98 - 100	Ammonium(I) nitrate (1:1)
Magnesium nitrate	10377-60-3	<0.1 - 0.7	Magnesium dinitrate dihydrate
Water	7732-18-5	<0.1 - 0.5	Dihydrogen Oxide

## **SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

#### **First-aid Measures**

#### Inhalation

Remove source of exposure or move to fresh air. Get medical advice or attention if you feel unwell or are concerned.

#### **Skin Contact**

Immediately rinse with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 15-20 minutes. If skin irritation occurs, get medical advice or attention.

#### **Eve Contact**

Immediately rinse the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 15-20 minutes, while holding the eyelid(s) open. If eye irritation persists, get medical advice or attention.

### Ingestion

Rinse mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor.

## **First-aid Comments**

Some of the first-aid procedures recommended here require advanced first-aid training. If exposed or concerned, get medical advice or attention.

## Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

None known.

## **Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment**

## **Special Instructions**

General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

### **SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

### **Extinguishing Media**

## Suitable Extinguishing Media

Not combustible. Use extinguishing agent suitable for surrounding fire. Use flooding quantities of water spray or fog. Use water to keep non-leaking, fire-exposed containers cool.

#### **Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**

None known.

## **Specific Hazards Arising from the Product**

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Oxidizer. May intensify fire. Heating increases the release of toxic vapour. Heating may cause a fire or explosion. Closed containers may rupture violently when heated releasing contents.

In a fire, the following hazardous materials may be generated: corrosive, flammable ammonia; corrosive, oxidizing nitrogen oxides.

## **Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-fighters**

Oxidizer. Prevent contact with flammable and combustible materials. Use extreme caution. Evacuate area. Fight fire from a protected, explosion-resistant location or maximum distance possible. Knock down vapours or gases with water fog or fine water spray. For a massive fire, immediately evacuate the area and use unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles. Dike and recover contaminated water for appropriate disposal.

Chemical protective clothing (e.g. chemical splash suit) and positive pressure SCBA may be necessary.

## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

## Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment, and Emergency Procedures

Evacuate the area immediately. Isolate the hazard area. Keep out unnecessary and unprotected personnel. Evacuate downwind locations. Use the personal protective equipment recommended in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Remove or isolate incompatible materials as well as other hazardous materials.

#### **Environmental Precautions**

Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any waterway. If the spill is inside a building, prevent product from entering drains, ventilation systems and confined areas.

#### Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up

Dike spilled product to prevent runoff. Contain and soak up spill with absorbent that does not react with spilled product. Place used absorbent into suitable, covered, labelled containers for disposal. Flush spill area. Dike and recover contaminated water for appropriate disposal.

### **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

## **Precautions for Safe Handling**

Eliminate heat and ignition sources such as sparks, open flames, hot surfaces and static discharge. Post "No Smoking" signs. Wear personal protective equipment to avoid direct contact with this chemical. Only use where there is adequate ventilation. Avoid generating dusts. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Prevent accidental contact with incompatible chemicals. Keep containers tightly closed when not in use or empty.

## **Conditions for Safe Storage**

Store in an area that is: cool, dry, well-ventilated, separate from incompatible materials (see Section 10: Stability and Reactivity), clear of combustible and flammable materials (e.g. old rags, cardboard). Protect from sunlight. Store in a closed container. Comply with all applicable health and safety regulations, fire and building codes.

## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### **Control Parameters**

Chemical Name	ACGIH TLV®		OSHA PEL		AIHA WEEL	
	TWA	STEL	TWA	Ceiling	8-hr TWA	TWA
Ammonium nitrate	Not established		Not established			
Magnesium nitrate	Not established		Not established			
Water	Not established		Not established			

Consult local authorities for provincial exposure limits. Consult local authorities for state exposure limits.

#### **Appropriate Engineering Controls**

Use local exhaust ventilation and enclosure, if necessary, to control amount in the air. Use non-sparking ventilation systems, approved explosion-proof equipment and intrinsically safe electrical systems in areas where this product is used and stored.

#### Individual Protection Measures

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#### **Eye/Face Protection**

Wear chemical safety goggles and face shield when contact is possible.

#### **Skin Protection**

Wear chemical protective clothing e.g. gloves, aprons, boots.

#### **Respiratory Protection**

Wear a NIOSH approved air-purifying respirator with an appropriate cartridge.

## **SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

## **Basic Physical and Chemical Properties**

**Appearance** Colourless white crystals.

Odour Odourless
Odour Threshold Not applicable
pH 5.43 (0.8% solution)

Melting Point/Freezing Point 155.0 - 169.4 °C (311.0 - 336.9 °F) (melting); 155.0 - 169.4 °C (311.0 - 336.9 °F)

(freezing)

Initial Boiling Point/Range Not available
Flash Point Not applicable
Evaporation Rate Not available
Flammability (solid, gas) Will not burn.

Upper/Lower Flammability or

**Explosive Limit** 

Not applicable (upper); Not applicable (lower)

Vapour PressureNot availableVapour Density (air = 1)Not applicableRelative Density (water = 1)1.725 at 20 °C

**Solubility** Very soluble in water; Highly soluble in alcohols (e.g. ethanol).

Partition Coefficient, -4.39 (estimated)

n-Octanol/Water (Log Kow)

**Auto-ignition Temperature** Not applicable **Decomposition Temperature** > 200 °C (392 °F)

Viscosity Not available (kinematic); Not available (dynamic)

Other Information

Physical State Solid

## **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

### Reactivity

May cause or intensify fire.

### **Chemical Stability**

Normally stable.

## Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Reacts in the presence of High heat.

#### **Conditions to Avoid**

Incompatible materials. Open flames, sparks, static discharge, heat and other ignition sources. Sunlight. Temperatures above 200.0 °C (392.0 °F)

#### **Incompatible Materials**

Metals (e.g. aluminum), reducing agents (e.g. hydroquinone), strong acids (e.g. hydrochloric acid), strong bases (e.g. sodium hydroxide), strong oxidizing agents (e.g. perchloric acid), halogens (e.g. chlorine).

#### **Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Corrosive, flammable ammonia; corrosive, oxidizing nitrogen oxides.

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## **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **Likely Routes of Exposure**

Inhalation; skin contact; eye contact; ingestion.

## **Acute Toxicity**

Chemical Name	LC50	LD50 (oral)	LD50 (dermal)
Ammonium nitrate	> 88.8 mg/L (rat) (4-hour exposure)	2217 mg/kg (rat)	Not available
Magnesium nitrate	Not available	Not available	Not available
Water	Not available	> 89840 mg/kg (rat)	Not available

#### Skin Corrosion/Irritation

No information was located.

### Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

There is limited evidence of serious eye irritation.

## STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Single Exposure

Inhalation

May cause nose and throat irritation.

Ingestion

May be harmful.

## **Aspiration Hazard**

No information was located.

## STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Repeated Exposure

No information was located.

## Respiratory and/or Skin Sensitization

No information was located.

#### Carcinogenicity

Chemical Name	IARC	ACGIH®	NTP	OSHA
Ammonium nitrate	Not evaluated	Not Listed	Not Listed	
Magnesium nitrate	Not Listed	Not designated	Not Listed	Not Listed
Water	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed

## **Reproductive Toxicity**

## **Development of Offspring**

No information was located.

## **Sexual Function and Fertility**

No information was located.

## **Effects on or via Lactation**

No information was located.

## **Germ Cell Mutagenicity**

No information was located.

## **Interactive Effects**

No information was located.

## **SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

This section is not required by WHMIS. This section is not required by OSHA HCS 2012.

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### SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### **Disposal Methods**

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

## **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Regulation	UN No.	Proper Shipping Name	Transport Hazard Class(es)	Packing Group
US DOT	UN1942	AMMONIUM NITRATE, with not more than 0.2 percent total combustible material, including any organic substance, calculated as carbon to the exclusion of any other added substance	5.1 - Oxidizer	II
Canadian TDG	UN1942	AMMONIUM NITRATE with not more than 0.2 percent total combustible material, including any organic substance calculated as carbon, to the exclusion of any other added substance	5.1 Oxidizing Substances	III

**Special Precautions** Not applicable

Transport in Bulk According to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable

### SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, Health and Environmental Regulations

Canada

Domestic Substances List (DSL) / Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)

Listed on the DSL.

**USA** 

**Disclaimer** 

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Section 8(b)

Listed on the TSCA Inventory.

# **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**NFPA Rating** Health - 0 Flammability - 0 Instability - 3

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References CHEMINFO database. Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS).

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