

# Sulfuric Acid (Babcock Acid)

# **SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION**

Product Identifier Sulfuric Acid (Babcock Acid)

Other Means of Identification

Dihydrogen Sulfate, Hydrogen Sulfate, Battery Acid, Oil of Vitrol

Product Code(s) SU9030

Product Family Inorganic Acid

**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

Skin corrosion - Category 1A; Serious eye damage - Category 1

#### **Label Elements**



Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statement(s):

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary Statement(s):

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Response:

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

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

Continue rinsing.

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor.

Storage:

Store locked up.

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#### Disposal:

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

### Other Hazards

Hazardous to the environment.

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

#### Mixture:

Chemical Name	CAS No.	%	Other Identifiers	Other Names
Sulfuric acid	7664-93-9	90.5 - 92.7	Dihydrogen Sulfate, Hydrogen Sulfate, Battery Acid	
Water	7732-18-5	7.3 - 9.5	Dihydrogen Oxide	

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

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

#### Inhalation

Remove source of exposure or move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, trained personnel should administer emergency oxygen if advised to do so by Poison Centre or doctor. DO NOT move about unnecessarily. Symptoms of pulmonary edema may be delayed.

#### **Skin Contact**

Quickly and gently blot or brush away excess chemical. Immediately rinse skin with lukewarm, gently flowing water for at least 30 minutes.

### **Eye Contact**

Immediately rinse the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for at least 30 minutes, while holding the eyelid(s) open. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor. Specific treatment is required.

#### Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Rinse mouth with water. Avoid mouth-to-mouth contact by using a barrier device. If breathing is difficult, trained personnel should administer emergency oxygen if advised to do so by the Poison Centre or doctor.

#### **First-aid Comments**

Some of the first-aid procedures recommended here require advanced first-aid training. Get medical advice or attention if you feel unwell or are concerned.

### Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

For most important symptoms and effects (acute and delayed), see Section 2 (Hazard Identification) and Section 11 (Toxicological Information) of this SDS.

### **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

Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder or appropriate foam. Not combustible. Use extinguishing agent suitable for surrounding fire. Use water to keep non-leaking, fire-exposed containers cool.

# **Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**

DO NOT use water or water-based extinguishing agents.

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#### Specific Hazards Arising from the Product

Closed containers may rupture violently when heated releasing contents.

In a fire, the following hazardous materials may be generated: corrosive sulfur oxides.

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

Use extreme caution. Evacuate area. Fight fire from a safe distance or a protected location. Approach fire from upwind to avoid hazardous vapours or gases. Do NOT apply water directly to spill. Knock down vapours or gases with water fog or fine water spray. Dike and recover contaminated water for appropriate disposal.

A full-body encapsulating chemical protective suit with positive pressure SCBA may be necessary. Fire-fighters should enter area wearing specialized protective equipment. (Bunker Gear will not provide adequate protection.).

# **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. Eliminate all ignition sources. Use grounded, explosion-proof equipment. Increase ventilation to area or move leaking container to a well-ventilated and secure area. Use the personal protective equipment recommended in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled product unless wearing appropriate protective equipment.

### **Environmental Precautions**

Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any waterway.

# Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up

Small spills or leaks: 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. Large spills or leaks: contact emergency services and manufacturer/supplier for advice. Do not direct water at spill or source. Store recovered product in suitable containers that are: covered, tightly-covered, corrosion-resistant.

# **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### **Precautions for Safe Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment to avoid direct contact with this chemical. Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing. Avoid generating vapours or mists. Prevent accidental contact with incompatible chemicals. Only use where there is adequate ventilation. Immediately report leaks, spills or failures of the safety equipment (e.g. ventilation system). In event of a spill or leak, immediately put on escape-type respirator and exit the area. Keep containers tightly closed when not in use or empty. Never reuse empty containers, even if they appear to be clean.

### **Conditions for Safe Storage**

Store in an area that is: cool, dry, out of direct sunlight and away from heat and ignition sources, separate from incompatible materials (see Section 10: Stability and Reactivity). Electrically bond and ground containers. Ground clips must contact bare metal. Keep amount in storage to a minimum. Have escape-type respiratory protective equipment readily available, in case of leaks or spills. Vent drums to prevent pressure buildup. Comply with all applicable health and safety regulations, fire and building codes.

# SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

# **Control Parameters**

	ACGIH 1	ACGIH TLV®		OSHA PEL		AIHA WEEL	
Chemical Name	TWA	STEL	TWA	Ceiling	8-hr TWA	TWA	
Water	Not established		Not established				
Sulfuric acid	0.2 mg/m3 A2		1 mg/m3				

A2 = Suspected human carcinogen.

# **Appropriate Engineering Controls**

Use local exhaust ventilation and enclosure, if necessary, to control amount in the air.

#### **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.

Suitable materials are: butyl rubber, Viton®, Viton®, Viton®, Barrier® (PE/PA/PE), Silver Shield®, Trellchem® HPS, Trellchem® VPS, Tychem® SL (Saranex™), Tychem® BR/LV, Tychem® Responder, Tychem® TK. The following materials should NOT be used: natural rubber, nitrile rubber, polyvinyl alcohol.

# **Respiratory Protection**

Wear a full facepiece NIOSH approved air-purifying respirator with an acid gas cartridge, wear a NIOSH approved air-purifying respirator with an appropriate cartridge, wear a NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) or supplied air respirator.

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

**Basic Physical and Chemical Properties** 

Appearance Colourless liquid.
Odour Not available
Odour Threshold Not available

**pH** 1.2 (0.1 N solution)

Melting Point/Freezing Point -32 °C (-26 °F) (melting); 3 °C (37 °F) (freezing)

Initial Boiling Point/Range 279 °C (534 °F)
Flash Point Not applicable
Evaporation Rate Not available
Flammability (solid, gas) Not available

Upper/Lower Flammability or

Explosive Limit

Not available (upper); Not applicable (lower)

Vapour Pressure
Not available
Vapour Density (air = 1)
Relative Density (water = 1)
1.82 at 25 °C

**Solubility** Soluble in water; Not available (in other liquids)

Partition Coefficient, Not available

n-Octanol/Water (Log Kow)

**Auto-ignition Temperature**Not available **Decomposition Temperature**340 °C (644 °F)

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

Other Information

Physical State Liquid

# **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

# Reactivity

Not reactive under normal conditions of use.

**Chemical Stability** 

Normally stable.

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions** 

Reacts in the presence of water.

**Conditions to Avoid** 

Contact with water.

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#### **Incompatible Materials**

Metals (e.g. aluminum), strong bases (e.g. sodium hydroxide), water, nitriles (e.g. butyronitrile), amines (e.g. triethylamine), esters (e.g. amyl acetate), oxidizing agents (e.g. peroxides).

### **Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Corrosive sulfur oxides.

# **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

# **Likely Routes of Exposure**

Skin contact; eye contact; inhalation; ingestion.

# **Acute Toxicity**

Chemical Name	LC50	LD50 (oral)	LD50 (dermal)
Water	Not available	> 89840 mg/kg (rat)	Not available
Sulfuric acid	255 mg/m3 (rat) (4-hour exposure)	2,140 mg/kg (rat)	Not available

#### Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Animal tests show skin corrosion.

# Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

Animal tests show serious eye damage.

# STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Single Exposure

#### Inhalation

Harmful severe lung injury.

#### **Skin Absorption**

Harmful thermal burns.

### Ingestion

Harmful severe irritation or burns to the mouth, throat and stomach.

### **Aspiration Hazard**

No information was located.

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

May cause irritation of the respiratory system. May cause respiratory tract injury, chronic bronchitis (inflammation of the airways leading to the lungs). Following skin contact: causes dermatitis. Symptoms may include dry, red, cracked skin (dermatitis). Symptoms can include redness, rash, swelling and itching.

# Respiratory and/or Skin Sensitization

Not a skin sensitizer.

# Carcinogenicity

Chemical Name	IARC	ACGIH®	NTP	OSHA
Water	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed
Sulfuric acid	Group 1	A2	Not Listed	Not Listed

Key to Abbreviations

IARC = International Agency for Research on Cancer. Group 1 = Carcinogenic to humans.

ACGIH® = American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists. A2 = Suspected human carcinogen.

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#### **Reproductive Toxicity**

# **Development of Offspring**

Not known to harm the unborn child.

### **Sexual Function and Fertility**

Not known to cause effects on sexual function or fertility.

#### **Effects on or via Lactation**

No information was located.

#### **Germ Cell Mutagenicity**

Not known to be a mutagen.

#### **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.

# **SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Disposal Methods**

Contact local environmental authorities for approved disposal or recycling methods in your jurisdiction.

# **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Environmental

Not applicable

**Hazards** 

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)

All ingredients are listed on the DSL or are not required to be listed.

## **USA**

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

All ingredients are listed on the TSCA Inventory.

### **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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