

# Safety Data Sheet

Material Name: Copper Nitrate Solution

ID: MRD-215

## \*\*\* Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification \*\*\*

**Chemical Name:** Copper Nitrate, Aqueous Solution

**Product Use:** Various Industrial Applications

### Manufacturer Information

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## \*\*\* Section 2 - Composition / Information on Ingredients \*\*\*

### Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1200.

Acute toxicity, Inhalation, Category 3  
Skin corrosion, Category 1B  
Serious eye damage/Irritation, Category 1  
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure, Category 3 (respiratory system)  
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure, Category 1 (liver)  
Hazard to aquatic life – Acute Hazard, Category 1  
Hazard to aquatic life – Chronic Hazard, Category 1

### GHS LABEL ELEMENTS

#### Symbol(s)



#### Signal Word

DANGER

#### Hazard Statement(s)

May cause respiratory irritation.  
Toxic if inhaled.  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.  
Very toxic to aquatic life.

#### Precautionary Statement(s)

#### Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not breathe vapor or mist. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/clothing and eye/face protection. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Avoid release to the environment.

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## Response

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

## Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up.

## Disposal

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

### \*\*\* Section 3 - Hazards Identification \*\*\*

CAS #	Component	Percent
7732-18-5	Water	Balance
3251-23-8	Cupric nitrate (copper nitrate)	41-53
7697-37-2	Nitric acid	< 1

## Component Related Regulatory Information

This product may be regulated, have exposure limits or other information identified as the following: Copper (7440-50-8), Copper compounds, n.o.s., Copper (inorganic salts), Water Dissociable Nitrate Compounds.

## Component Information/Information on Non-Hazardous Components

This product is considered hazardous under 29 CFR 1910.1200 (Hazard Communication).

## Emergency Overview

This product is a medium to dark blue liquid with an acrid odor. This product is an oxidizer in its dry form. This product is an irritant and has a corrosive potential. Contact with mists, sprays or liquid product can severely irritate or burn eyes, skin, and other contaminated tissue. Eye contact may cause blindness. Severe inhalation and ingestion overexposures may be fatal.

### Potential Health Effects: Eyes

Contact with the eyes will cause irritation, pain, reddening, and may result in blindness depending on the duration.

### Potential Health Effects: Skin

This product is moderately irritating to the skin and other contaminated tissue. Depending on the duration of contact, symptoms will include reddening, discomfort, irritation, ulceration, and chemical burns. Prolonged and/or repeated skin contact with this product may cause irritation/dermatitis. Skin absorption is not a significant route of overexposure.

### Potential Health Effects: Ingestion

Ingestion of this product can be harmful or fatal. Immediately upon contact, this product will cause irritation and burns of the mouth, throat, esophagus, and other tissues of the digestive system. Overexposure symptoms include: drowsiness, confusion, difficulty swallowing, a burning sensation in the esophagus and stomach, intense thirst, nausea, abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach perforation, bloody stools or urine, convulsions, and collapse. Large quantity ingestion may be fatal.

### Potential Health Effects: Inhalation

Inhalation of vapors, mists, or sprays of this product may irritate the nose, throat, and lungs. Symptoms may include: sneezing, coughing and difficulty breathing. Severe overexposures can result in pulmonary edema, pneumonitis, and death.

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HMIS Ratings: Health: 3 Fire: 0 Physical Hazard: 0

Hazard Scale: 0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = Serious 4 = Severe \* = Chronic hazard

## \*\*\* Section 4 - First Aid Measures \*\*\*

### Description of Necessary Measures

#### Eyes

In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with large amounts of water, continuing to flush for 15 minutes. Have contaminated individual "roll" their eyes. Seek immediate medical attention.

#### Skin

Immediately take off all contaminated clothing. For skin contact, flush with large amounts of water. If irritation persists, get medical attention.

#### Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician immediately.

#### Inhalation

Move person to non-contaminated air. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.

#### Notes to Physician

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.

### Most Important Symptoms/Effects

#### Acute

##### Eyes

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##### Skin

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## \*\*\* Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures \*\*\*

### General Fire Hazards

This product is an aqueous mixture, which will not burn. If evaporated to dryness, the solid residue may pose a slight fire hazard. This product is an oxidizing agent, which may cause spontaneous ignition of combustible materials.

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## Hazardous Combustion Products

Decomposition of this product may produce acrid vapors, copper compounds, and oxides of nitrogen.

## Extinguishing Media

Use any media suitable for the surrounding fires.

## Fire Fighting Equipment/Instructions

Fire fighters should wear full-face, self-contained breathing apparatus and impervious protective clothing. Fire fighters should avoid inhaling any combustion products.

NFPA Ratings: Health: 3 Fire: 0 Reactivity: 0

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### \*\*\* Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures \*\*\*

## Containment Procedures

Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean up. Contain the discharged material and dike the spilled material where possible. Prevent entry into sewers, drains, underground or confined spaces, water intakes and waterways. Avoid contact with combustible materials.

## Clean-Up Procedures

Absorb spill with inert material. Shovel material into appropriate container for disposal.

## Evacuation Procedures

Isolate area. Keep unnecessary personnel away.

## Special Procedures

Follow all Local, State, Federal and Provincial regulations for disposal.

### \*\*\* Section 7 - Handling and Storage \*\*\*

## Handling Procedures

Do not get this material in your eyes, on your skin, or on your clothing. Avoid breathing vapors or mists of this product. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or use tobacco products when handling this material. Use this product with adequate ventilation. Launder work clothes frequently. See Section 8 for appropriate protective clothing, equipment and air monitoring procedures.

Open containers slowly, on a stable surface. Containers of this product must be properly labeled. Empty containers may contain residual liquid or vapors. Empty containers should be handled with care.

## Storage Procedures

Store containers in a cool, dry location, away from direct sunlight, sources of intense heat, or where freezing is possible. Store away from incompatible materials (see SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity). Material should be stored in secondary containers, or in a diked area, as appropriate. Keep container tightly closed when not in use. Inspect all incoming containers before storage, to ensure containers are properly labeled and not damaged.

### \*\*\* Section 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection \*\*\*

## A: Component Exposure Limits

### Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)

ACGIH: 0.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA (fume); 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA (dusts and mists, as Cu) (related to Copper)

OSHA 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA (fume, dusts, mists as Cu) (related to Copper)

Vacated:

OSHA Final: 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA (fume); 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA (dusts and mists) (related to Copper)

NIOSH: 1 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA (dust and mist) (related to Copper)

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## Nitric acid (7697-37-2)

ACGIH: 2 ppm TWA  
4 ppm STEL  
OSHA 2 ppm TWA; 5 mg/m3 TWA  
Vacated: 4 ppm STEL; 10 mg/m3 STEL  
OSHA Final: 2 ppm TWA; 5 mg/m3 TWA  
NIOSH: 2 ppm TWA; 5 mg/m3 TWA  
4 ppm STEL; 10 mg/m3 STEL

## Engineering Controls

Provide adequate local exhaust ventilation to maintain worker exposure below exposure limits.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

### Personal Protective Equipment: Eyes/Face

Wear safety glasses; chemical goggles (if splashing is possible).

### Personal Protective Equipment: Skin

Use impervious gloves. Use of an impervious apron is recommended.

### Personal Protective Equipment: Respiratory

Respiratory protection; not normally required for ambient air concentrations not exceeding the Occupational Exposure Limit. When respiratory protection is required, wear a NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full-face piece operated in a positive-pressure mode.

### Personal Protective Equipment: General

Eyewash fountains and emergency showers are required.

## \*\*\* Section 9 - Physical & Chemical Properties \*\*\*

<b>Appearance:</b> Medium to dark blue	<b>Odor:</b> Acrid odor
<b>Physical State:</b> liquid	<b>pH:</b> 0-0.6
<b>Evaporation Rate:</b> Not Established	<b>Odor Threshold:</b> Not Applicable
<b>Vapor Pressure:</b> Not Applicable	<b>Vapor Density:</b> Not Applicable
<b>Freezing Point:</b> Not Established	<b>Viscosity:</b> Not Established
<b>Relative Density:</b> Not Applicable	<b>Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:</b> Not Established
<b>Initial Boiling Point and boiling range:</b> Not Established	<b>Melting Point:</b> Not Established
<b>Solubility (H<sub>2</sub>O):</b> Soluble	<b>Specific Gravity:</b> 1.44-1.65
<b>Flash Point:</b> Not Flammable	<b>Lower Flammable Limit (LFL):</b> Not Applicable
<b>Upper Flammable Limit (UFL):</b> Not Applicable	<b>Flammability Classification:</b> Not Applicable
<b>Auto Ignition:</b> Not Available	
<b>Rate of Burning:</b> Not Applicable	

## \*\*\* Section 10 - Chemical Stability & Reactivity Information \*\*\*

### Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions.

### Chemical Stability: Conditions to Avoid

Avoid exposure to extreme temperatures, contact with incompatible chemicals, and all contact with combustible materials.

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## Incompatibility

Strong bases, active metals (e.g., sodium, potassium), cyanide compounds, flammable and combustible materials, strong reducing agents, finely powdered metals.

## Hazardous Decomposition

Copper compounds and nitrogen oxides.

## Hazardous Polymerization

Will not occur.

### \*\*\* Section 11 - Toxicological Information \*\*\*

## Acute and Chronic Toxicity

### A: General Product Information

This product is an irritant. Depending on the duration, contact can mildly to severely irritate the eyes, skin, mucous membranes, and any other exposed tissue. Inhalation may cause irritation of the respiratory system with coughing and difficulty breathing. Skin contact may cause blisters and scars. Eye contact may cause blindness. Severe inhalation and ingestion overexposures may be fatal.

### B: Component Analysis - LD50/LC50

#### Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)

Oral LD50 Rat: 794 mg/kg  
100 mg/m<sup>3</sup> IDLH (dust, fume and mist) (related to Copper)

#### Nitric acid (7697-37-2)

Inhalation LC50 Rat: 7 mg/L/4H  
25 ppm IDLH

## Carcinogenicity

### A: General Product Information

No carcinogenicity data available for this product.

### B: Component Carcinogenicity

None of this product's components are listed by ACGIH, IARC, OSHA, NIOSH, or NTP.

## Other Toxicological Information

Target Organs: Skin, eyes, respiratory system

### \*\*\* Section 12 - Ecological Information \*\*\*

## Ecotoxicity

### A: General Product Information

In high concentrations, this product may be dangerous to aquatic life and fouling to shorelines.

### B: Component Analysis - Ecotoxicity - Aquatic Toxicity

#### Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)

Test & Species		Conditions
96 Hr LC50 fathead minnow	23 µg/L	
96 Hr LC50 rainbow trout	13.8 µg/L	
96 Hr LC50 bluegill	236 µg/L	related to Copper
72 Hr EC50 freshwater algae (Scenedesmus subspicatus)	120 µg/L	related to Copper
96 Hr LC50 water flea	10 µg/L	
96 Hr LC50 water flea	200 µg/L	related to Copper

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## Environmental Fate

Due to the low pH associated with this product, plants contaminated with this product may be adversely affected or destroyed. Animals contaminated with this solution may be severely injured or killed.

### \*\*\* Section 13 - Disposal Considerations \*\*\*

## US EPA Waste Number & Descriptions

### A: General Product Information

Wastes must be tested using methods described in 40 CFR Part 261 to determine if it meets applicable definitions of hazardous wastes. As packaged this product is a D002 corrosive waste [40 CFR 261.21(a)(4)]; applicable to wastes consisting only of this product.

### B: Component Waste Numbers

No EPA Waste Numbers are applicable for this product's components.

## Disposal Instructions

Dispose of waste material according to Local, State, Federal, and Provincial Environmental Regulations.

### \*\*\* Section 14 - Transportation Information \*\*\*

## US DOT Information

**Shipping Name:** Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Copper nitrate, nitric acid)

**UN/NA #:** UN3264 **Hazard Class:** 8 **Packing Group:** II

**Required Label(s):** Corrosive

**Response Guide #:** 154



## Canada Transportation of Dangerous Goods Information

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**Required Label(s):** Corrosive

**EMS:** S-B, F-A



### \*\*\* Section 15 - Regulatory Information \*\*\*

## US Federal Regulations

### A: General Product Information

Components of this product have been checked against the non-confidential TSCA inventory by CAS Registry Number. Components not identified on this non-confidential inventory are exempt from listing (i.e. as polymers) or are listed on the confidential inventory as declared by the supplier.

### B: Component Analysis

This material contains one or more of the following chemicals required to be identified under SARA Section 302 (40 CFR 355 Appendix A), SARA Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65) and/or CERCLA (40 CFR 302.4).

#### Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)

SARA 313: 1.0 % de minimis concentration (related to Copper)  
1.0 % de minimis concentration (Chemical Category N511) (related to Water Dissociable Nitrate Compounds)

CERCLA: 100 lb final RQ; 45.4 kg final RQ

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## Nitric acid (7697-37-2)

SARA 302: 1000 lb TPQ  
SARA 313: 1.0 % de minimis concentration  
CERCLA: 1000 lb final RQ; 454 kg final RQ

## C: Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act

This material contains the following chemicals present on either the Listing of Pesticide Chemicals (40 CFR 180) or Pesticides Classified for Restricted Use as listed by FIFRA:

### Cupric nitrate (3251-23-8)

FIFRA Section number 180.538 (related to Copper)

## D: Component Marine Pollutants

This material contains one or more of the following chemicals required by US DOT to be identified as marine pollutants.

Component	CAS #	
Cupric nitrate	3251-23-8	DOT regulated severe marine pollutant (related to Copper, metal powder)

SARA 311/312: Acute Health Yes Chronic Health No Fire No Pressure No Reactive Yes

## State Regulations

### A: General Product Information

Other state regulations may apply. Check individual state requirements.

### B: Component Analysis - State

The following components appear on one or more of the following state hazardous substances lists:

Component	CAS	CA	MA	MN	NJ	PA	RI
Cupric nitrate (*related to Copper)	3251-23-8	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>1</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

## Component Analysis - WHMIS IDL

The following components are identified under the Canadian Hazardous Products Act Ingredient Disclosure List:

Component	CAS #	Minimum Concentration
Cupric nitrate	3251-23-8	1 % (English Item 436, French Item 1203)

## Additional Regulatory Information

### A: General Product Information

No additional information available.

### B: Component Analysis - Inventory

Component	CAS #	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	AUST	MITI	PHIL	KOREA	ELINCS	CHINA
Water	7732-18-5	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Cupric nitrate	3251-23-8	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes

## \*\*\* Section 16 - Other Information \*\*\*

## Summary of Changes

New SDS: 5/11/2015

## Key/Legend

**ACGIH** = American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists; **AU** = Australia; **BOD** - Biochemical Oxygen Demand; **C** - Celsius; **CA** - Canada; **CAS** = Chemical Abstracts Service; **CERCLA** = Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; **CFR** = Code of Federal Regulations; **CN** = China;



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**CPR** = Controlled Products Regulations; **DOT** = Department of Transportation; **DSL** = Domestic Substances List; **EINECS** = European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances; **ELINCS** = European List of Notified Chemical Substances; **EmS** = Emergency Response Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous Goods; **EPA** = Environmental Protection Agency; **EU** = European Union; **F** - Fahrenheit; **HEPA** = High Efficiency Particulate Air; **HMIS** = Hazardous Material Information System; **HPV** – High Production Volume Chemical (EU); **IARC** = International Agency for Research on Cancer; **IATA** = International Air Transport Association; **ICL** – In Commerce List (Canada); **IDL** - Ingredient Disclosure List; **IDLH** - Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health; **JP** = Japan; **KR** = Korea; **LEL** - Lower Explosive Limit; **MITI** = Japan Ministry of International Trade and Industry; **mg/Kg** = milligrams per Kilogram; **mg/L** = milligrams per Liter; **mg/m<sup>3</sup>** = milligrams per Cubic Meter; **MSHA** = Mine Safety and Health Administration; **NA** = Not Applicable or Not Available; **NFPA** = National Fire Protection Association; **NIOSH** = National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health; **NJTSSR** = New Jersey Trade Secret Registry; **NDSL** = Non-Domestic Substances Inventory; **NTP** = National Toxicology Program; **NZ** = New Zealand; **OSHA** = Occupational Safety and Health Administration; **PH** = Philippines; **RCRA** = Resource Conservation & Recovery Act; **RQ** = Reportable Quantity; **SARA** = Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; **STEL** = Short Term Exposure Limit; **TDG** = Transport Dangerous Goods; **TSCA** = Toxic Substances Control Act; **TWA** - Time Weighted Average; **UEL** - Upper Explosive Limit; **US** - United States; **WHMIS** = Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System.

## Other Information

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This is the end of MSDS # MRD-215