

# **Chromium Oxide**

MSDS Number: C4356 --- Effective Date: 03/01/00

# **1. Product Identification**

Synonyms: Chromium (III) Oxide; Chromic Oxide; Chrome Oxide Green CAS No.: 1308-38-9 Molecular Weight: 151.99 Chemical Formula: Cr2O3 Product Codes: 1616, 1617

# 2. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredient	CAS No	Percent	Hazardous	
Chromium (III) Oxide	1308-38-9	90 - 100%	Yes	

# 3. Hazards Identification

Emergency Overview ------WARNING! HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED OR INHALED. CAUSES IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES AND RESPIRATORY TRACT.

J.T. Baker SAF-T-DATA<sup>(tm)</sup> Ratings (Provided here for your convenience)

Health Rating: 2 - Moderate Flammability Rating: 0 - None Reactivity Rating: 1 - Slight Contact Rating: 2 - Moderate Lab Protective Equip: GOGGLES; LAB COAT; VENT HOOD; PROPER GLOVES Storage Color Code: Blue (Health)

### **Potential Health Effects**

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### Inhalation:

Causes irritation to the respiratory tract. Symptoms may include coughing, shortness of breath. Ingestion: Causes irritation to the gastrointestinal tract. Symptoms may include nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Skin Contact: Causes irritation to skin. Symptoms include redness, itching, and pain. Eye Contact: Causes irritation, redness, and pain. Chronic Exposure: Prolonged or repeated skin contact may produce severe irritation or dermatitis. Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions: No information found.

# 4. First Aid Measures

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention. Ingestion: Induce vomiting immediately as directed by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention. Skin Contact: Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Eye Contact:

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Get medical attention immediately.

## 5. Fire Fighting Measures

Fire: Not considered to be a fire hazard. Explosion: Not considered to be an explosion hazard. Fire Extinguishing Media: Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire. Special Information: In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

# 6. Accidental Release Measures

Ventilate area of leak or spill. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Spills: Pick up and place in a suitable container for reclamation or disposal in a method that does not generate dust. Do not sweep. Damp mop any residue.

## 7. Handling and Storage

Keep in a tightly closed container, stored in a cool, dry, ventilated area. Protect against physical damage. Do not store on wooden floors. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty since they retain product residues (dust, solids); observe all warnings and precautions listed for the product.

### 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### Airborne Exposure Limits:

-OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL): for Cr(III) compounds = 0.5mg/m3 (TWA)

#### -ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TLV):

for Cr(III) compounds = 0.5 mg/m3 (TWA), A4 - Not classifiable as a human carcinogen

### Ventilation System:

A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below the Airborne Exposure Limits. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area. Please refer to the ACGIH document, *Industrial Ventilation, A Manual of Recommended Practices*, most recent edition, for details.

### **Personal Respirators (NIOSH Approved):**

If the exposure limit is exceeded, a half-face dust/mist respirator may be worn for up to ten times the exposure limit or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. A full-face piece dust/mist respirator may be worn up to 50 times the exposure limit, or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency, or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. For emergencies or instances where the exposure levels are not known, use a full-facepiece positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator. WARNING: Air-purifying respirators do not protect workers in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.

### Skin Protection:

Wear impervious protective clothing, including boots, gloves, lab coat, apron or coveralls, as appropriate, to prevent skin contact.

### **Eye Protection:**

Use chemical safety goggles and/or full face shield where dusting or splashing of solutions is possible. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance: Light to dark green Crystalline solid. Odor: Odorless. Solubility: Negligible (< 0.1%) Specific Gravity: 5.10 Chromium Oxide

pH: No information found.
% Volatiles by volume @ 21C (70F): 0
Boiling Point: 4000C (7232F)
Melting Point: 2435C (4415F)
Vapor Density (Air=1): Not applicable.
Vapor Pressure (mm Hg): Not applicable.
Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1): No information found.

# 10. Stability and Reactivity

Stability: Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage. Hazardous Decomposition Products: No information found. Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur. Incompatibilities: Lithium, glycerol. Conditions to Avoid: Dusting.

## **11. Toxicological Information**

Investigated as a tumorigen, mutagen.

\Cancer Lists\			
	NTP	Carcinogen	
Ingredient	Known	Anticipated	IARC Category
Chromium (III) Oxide (1308-38-9)	No	No	3

## **12. Ecological Information**

Environmental Fate: When released into the soil, this material is not expected to biodegrade. This material is not expected to significantly bioaccumulate. Environmental Toxicity: No information found.

## 13. Disposal Considerations

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be managed in an appropriate and approved waste disposal facility. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

## **14. Transport Information**

Not regulated.

# **15. Regulatory Information**

\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 1\ Ingredient				Australia
Chromium (III) Oxide (1308-38-9) \Chemical Inventory Status - Part 2\			Yes	Yes
Ingredient		C	anada NDSL	
Chromium (III) Oxide (1308-38-9) \Federal, State & International Regulati	ons -		1\	Yes  A 313

Ingredient	RQ	TPQ	List	Chemical	Catg.
Chromium (III) Oxide (1308-38-9) \Federal, State & International	No Regulat:	No ions -	No Part 2\-	Chromium	
Ingredient	CERC		-RCRA- 261.33	-TSCA- 8(d)	
Chromium (III) Oxide (1308-38-9) Chemical Weapons Convention: No TSCA SARA 311/312: Acute: Yes Chronic: Ye Reactivity: No (Pure / Solid)				No No No	

Australian Hazchem Code: No information found. Poison Schedule: No information found.

WHMIS:

This MSDS has been prepared according to the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

## **16. Other Information**

Label Hazard Warning: WARNING! HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED OR INHALED. CAUSES IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES AND RESPIRATORY TRACT. Label Precautions: Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Avoid breathing dust. Keep container closed. Use only with adequate ventilation. Label First Aid: If swallowed, induce vomiting immediately as directed by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. In case of contact, wipe off excess material from skin then immediately flush eyes or skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. In all cases, get medical attention. Product Use: Laboratory Reagent. **Revision Information:** No changes. Disclaimer: Mallinckrodt Baker, Inc. provides the information contained herein in good faith but makes no representation as to its comprehensiveness or accuracy. This document is intended only as a guide to the appropriate precautionary handling of the material by a properly trained person using this product.

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