



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

<b>Product identifier</b>	<b>SILICA GEL BEADS, 3-10 MESH INDICATING, GRADE 48</b>	
<b>Other means of identification</b>		
<b>Product code</b>	2787	
<b>Recommended use</b>	professional, scientific and technical activities: other professional, scientific and technical activities	
<b>Recommended restrictions</b>	None known.	
<b>Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information</b>		
<b>Manufacturer</b>		
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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

<b>Physical hazards</b>	Not classified.	
<b>Health hazards</b>	Sensitization, respiratory	Category 1
	Sensitization, skin	Category 1
	Carcinogenicity	Category 1B
	Reproductive toxicity (fertility)	Category 1B
<b>Environmental hazards</b>	Hazardous to the aquatic environment, acute hazard	Category 3
	Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term hazard	Category 3
<b>OSHA defined hazards</b>	Not classified.	
<b>Label elements</b>		



<b>Signal word</b>	Danger	
<b>Hazard statement</b>	May cause an allergic skin reaction. May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. May cause cancer. May damage fertility. Harmful to aquatic life. Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.	
<b>Precautionary statement</b>		
<b>Prevention</b>	Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace. Avoid release to the environment. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.	
<b>Response</b>	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. If inhaled: If breathing is difficult, remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.	
<b>Storage</b>	Store locked up.	
<b>Disposal</b>	Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.	

<b>Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)</b>	None known.
<b>Supplemental information</b>	99.5% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown acute hazards to the aquatic environment. 99.5% of the mixture consists of component(s) of unknown long-term hazards to the aquatic environment.

### 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### Mixtures

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
SILICA GEL BEADS, +8 MESH, GRADE 03		7631-86-9	99.5
COBALT CHLORIDE		7646-79-9	0.5

\*Designates that a specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>Inhalation</b>	If breathing is difficult, remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Oxygen or artificial respiration if needed. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim inhaled the substance. Induce artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Remove contaminated clothing immediately and wash skin with soap and water. In case of eczema or other skin disorders: Seek medical attention and take along these instructions.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Rinse with water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed</b>	Irritation of eyes and mucous membranes. Difficulty in breathing. May cause an allergic skin reaction. Dermatitis. Rash.
<b>Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed</b>	Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.
<b>General information</b>	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible). Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable extinguishing media</b>	Use extinguishing agent suitable for type of surrounding fire. Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ).
<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media</b>	Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.
<b>Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters</b>	Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.
<b>Fire fighting equipment/instructions</b>	Use water spray to cool unopened containers.
<b>Specific methods</b>	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.
<b>General fire hazards</b>	No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

### 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures</b>	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Keep out of low areas. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.
<b>Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up</b>	The product is immiscible with water and will sediment in water systems. Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Following product recovery, flush area with water. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.
<b>Environmental precautions</b>	Avoid release to the environment. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground. Inform appropriate managerial or supervisory personnel of all environmental releases.

## 7. Handling and storage

### Precautions for safe handling

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged exposure. Pregnant or breastfeeding women must not handle this product. Should be handled in closed systems, if possible. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Avoid release to the environment. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store locked up. Store in original tightly closed container. Store in a well-ventilated place. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Occupational exposure limits

#### US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values

Components	Type	Value
COBALT CHLORIDE (CAS 7646-79-9)	TWA	0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

Material	Type	Value
SILICA GEL BEADS, 3-10 MESH INDICATING, GRADE 48 (CAS Mixture)	TWA	6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

Components	Type	Value
SILICA GEL BEADS, +8 MESH, GRADE 03 (CAS 7631-86-9)	TWA	6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

### Biological limit values

#### US. ACGIH. BEIs. Biological Exposure Indices

Components	Value	Determinant	Specimen	Sampling Time
COBALT CHLORIDE (CAS 7646-79-9)	15 µg/l	Cobalt	Urine	*
	1 µg/l	Cobalt	Blood	*

\* - For sampling details, please see the source document.

### Appropriate engineering controls

Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. General ventilation normally adequate.

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

**Eye/face protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

#### Skin protection

**Hand protection** Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

#### Other

Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing. Use of an impervious apron is recommended.

#### Respiratory protection

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators.

#### Thermal hazards

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

### General hygiene considerations

When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Appearance

**Physical state** Solid.

**Form** Beads.

**Color** Blue.

**Odor** Not available.

**Odor threshold** Not available.

**pH** Not available.

<b>Melting point/freezing point</b>	3110 °F (1710 °C)
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	4046 °F (2230 °C)
<b>Flash point</b>	Not available.
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	Not available.
<b>Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Flammability limit - lower (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability limit - upper (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Explosive limit - lower (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Explosive limit - upper (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor pressure</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor density</b>	Not available.
<b>Relative density</b>	Not available.
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	Insoluble
<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>	Not available.
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	Not available.
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	Not available.
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not available.
<b>Other information</b>	
<b>Density</b>	3.36 g/cm <sup>3</sup> estimated
<b>Heat of combustion (NFPA 30B)</b>	0 kJ/g
<b>Specific gravity</b>	3.36 estimated

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
<b>Chemical stability</b>	Material is stable under normal conditions.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	Contact with incompatible materials.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Fluorine. Chlorine.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	May include oxides of cobalt.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

<b>Inhalation</b>	May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.
<b>Skin contact</b>	May cause an allergic skin reaction.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Expected to be a low ingestion hazard.

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics** Irritation of eyes and mucous membranes. Difficulty in breathing. May cause an allergic skin reaction. Dermatitis. Rash.

### Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity** May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Product	Species	Test Results
SILICA GEL BEADS, 3-10 MESH INDICATING, GRADE 48 (CAS Mixture)		
<b>Acute</b>		
<i>Oral</i>		
LD50	Guinea pig	11000 mg/kg estimated
	Mouse	> 15000 mg/kg
	Rat	> 22500 mg/kg
<i>Other</i>		
LD50	Mouse	9800 mg/kg estimated
	Rat	3480.3999 mg/kg estimated
Components	Species	Test Results

COBALT CHLORIDE (CAS 7646-79-9)

**Acute**

*Oral*

LD50	Guinea pig	55 mg/kg
	Mouse	80 mg/kg
	Rat	418 mg/kg
		80 mg/kg

*Other*

LD50	Mouse	49 mg/kg
	Rat	20 mg/kg
		17.402 mg/kg

SILICA GEL BEADS, +8 MESH, GRADE 03 (CAS 7631-86-9)

**Acute**

*Oral*

LD50	Mouse	> 15000 mg/kg
		> 15000 mg/kg
	Rat	> 22500 mg/kg
		> 22500 mg/kg

\* Estimates for product may be based on additional component data not shown.

**Skin corrosion/irritation** Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation** Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

**Respiratory sensitization** May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

**Skin sensitization** May cause an allergic skin reaction.

**Germ cell mutagenicity** No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.

**Carcinogenicity** May cause cancer.

**IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity**

SILICA GEL BEADS, +8 MESH, GRADE 03 (CAS 7631-86-9) 3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.

**Reproductive toxicity** May damage fertility.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure** Not classified.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure** Not classified.

**Aspiration hazard** Not available.

**Chronic effects** Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

**12. Ecological information**

**Ecotoxicity** Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Product	Species		Test Results
SILICA GEL BEADS, 3-10 MESH INDICATING, GRADE 48 (CAS Mixture)			
<b>Aquatic</b>			
Crustacea	EC50	Daphnia	15022.5713 mg/l, 48 hours estimated
Fish	LC50	Fish	39318.9648 mg/l, 96 hours estimated
Components	Species		Test Results
COBALT CHLORIDE (CAS 7646-79-9)			
<b>Aquatic</b>			
Crustacea	EC50	Water flea (Daphnia magna)	1.11 mg/l, 48 hours
Fish	LC50	Rainbow trout,donaldson trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	0.569 - 3.474 mg/l, 96 hours

\* Estimates for product may be based on additional component data not shown.

<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	No data is available on the degradability of this product.
<b>Bioaccumulative potential</b>	No data available.
<b>Mobility in soil</b>	No data available.
<b>Other adverse effects</b>	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

### 13. Disposal considerations

<b>Disposal instructions</b>	Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Do not allow this material to drain into sewers/water supplies. Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used container. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
<b>Local disposal regulations</b>	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.
<b>Hazardous waste code</b>	The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.
<b>Waste from residues / unused products</b>	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).
<b>Contaminated packaging</b>	Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal. Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

### 14. Transport information

#### DOT

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

#### IATA

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

#### IMDG

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable.

### 15. Regulatory information

**US federal regulations** This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.  
All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory List.

#### TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

#### CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

COBALT CHLORIDE (CAS 7646-79-9) Listed.

#### SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Not regulated.

## Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

**Hazard categories**  
Immediate Hazard - Yes  
Delayed Hazard - Yes  
Fire Hazard - No  
Pressure Hazard - No  
Reactivity Hazard - No

### SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

**SARA 311/312** No  
**Hazardous chemical**

### SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Chemical name	CAS number	% by wt.
COBALT CHLORIDE	7646-79-9	0.5

## Other federal regulations

### Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

COBALT CHLORIDE (CAS 7646-79-9)

### Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

**Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)** Not regulated.

## US state regulations

### US. California Controlled Substances. CA Department of Justice (California Health and Safety Code Section 11100)

Not listed.

### US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

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### US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

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### US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law

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### US. Rhode Island RTK

Not regulated.

### US. California Proposition 65

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins.

## International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

\*A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

## 16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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**Revision Information**

Product and Company Identification: Product and Company Identification