

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

**Product identifier:** CHROMIUM TRIOXIDE

**Other means of identification**

**Product No.:** 2576, 1638

**Recommended use and restriction on use**

**Recommended use:** Not available.

**Restrictions on use:** Not known.

**Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information**

**Manufacturer**

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24 Hour Emergency: 908-859-2151

Chemtrec: 800-424-9300

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Hazard classification**

**Physical hazards**

Oxidizing solids Category 1

**Health hazards**

Acute toxicity (Oral)	Category 2
Acute toxicity (Dermal)	Category 1
Acute toxicity (Inhalation - dust and mist)	Category 1
Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 1A
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1
Respiratory sensitizer	Category 1
Skin sensitizer	Category 1
Germ cell mutagenicity	Category 1B
Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
Toxic to reproduction	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure	Category 3
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure	Category 1

**Environmental hazards**

Acute hazards to the aquatic environment Category 1

Chronic hazards to the aquatic environment

Category 1

**Label elements**

**Hazard symbol:**



**Signal word:**

Danger

**Hazard statement:**

May cause fire or explosion; strong oxidizer.  
Fatal if swallowed or in contact with skin.  
Fatal if inhaled.  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.  
May cause an allergic skin reaction.  
May cause genetic defects.  
May cause cancer.  
Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.  
May cause respiratory irritation.  
Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.  
Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

**Precautionary statement**

**Prevention:**

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking. Keep/Store away from clothing/combustible materials. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. [In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Avoid release to the environment.

**Response:**

Specific treatment is urgent (see this label). In case of major fire and large quantities: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion. In case of fire: Use water for extinction. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Rinse mouth. IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. Collect spillage.

**Storage:**

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

**Disposal:**

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.

Other hazards which do not result in GHS classification:

None.

### 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### Substances

Chemical identity	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	Content in percent (%)*
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)		1333-82-0	99 - 100%

\* All concentrations are percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General information:</b>	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Do not induce vomiting without advice from poison control center.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Move to fresh air. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. If breathing stops, provide artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.
<b>Skin contact:</b>	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Destroy or thoroughly clean contaminated shoes. If skin irritation or an allergic skin reaction develops, get medical attention.
<b>Eye contact:</b>	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If easy to do, remove contact lenses. Get medical attention immediately.

#### Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

<b>Symptoms:</b>	Fatal if inhaled. Fatal in contact with skin. Fatal if swallowed. Causes severe skin and eye burns.
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#### Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

<b>Treatment:</b>	Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.
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### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>General fire hazards:</b>	In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Oxidizing material.
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#### Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

<b>Suitable extinguishing media:</b>	Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.
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<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media:</b>	None known.
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<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical:</b>	During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed. Strong oxidizer - contact with other material may cause fire.
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#### Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

<b>Special fire fighting procedures:</b>	Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out.
<b>Special protective equipment for fire-fighters:</b>	Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in enclosed spaces, SCBA.

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:</b>	Keep unauthorized personnel away. Use personal protective equipment. See Section 8 of the MSDS for Personal Protective Equipment. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing.
<b>Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:</b>	Sweep up and place in a clearly labeled container for chemical waste. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination. Dike far ahead of larger spill for later recovery and disposal.
<b>Notification Procedures:</b>	Dike for later disposal. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Inform authorities if large amounts are involved.
<b>Environmental precautions:</b>	Do not contaminate water sources or sewer. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

## 7. Handling and storage

<b>Precautions for safe handling:</b>	Use personal protective equipment as required. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Do not taste or swallow. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using the product. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after handling. See Section 8 of the MSDS for Personal Protective Equipment.
<b>Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:</b>	Do not store in metal containers. Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place. Store in a dry place.

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Control parameters

#### Occupational exposure limits

Chemical identity	Type	Exposure Limit values	Source
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) - as Cr	TWA	0.05 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (2011)
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) - as Cr(VI)	REL	0.001 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2010)
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	TWA	0.005 mg/m3	US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050) (02 2006)
	OSHA_ACT	0.0025 mg/m3	US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050) (02 2006)
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) - as Cr	PEL	1 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) - as CrO3	Ceiling	0.1 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) (1989)
	Ceiling	0.1 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) (1989)
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	TWA	1 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) (1989)
	Ceiling	0.1 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-2 (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	Ceiling	0.1 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-2 (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)

#### Biological limit values

Chemical identity	Exposure Limit values	Source
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) (Total chromium: Sampling time: End of shift at end of work week.)	25 µg/l (Urine)	ACGIH BEL (03 2013)
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) (Total chromium: Sampling time: Increase during shift.)	10 µg/l (Urine)	ACGIH BEL (03 2013)

#### Appropriate engineering controls

No data available.

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

##### General information:

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. An eye wash and safety shower must be available in the immediate work area.

##### Eye/face protection:

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) and a face shield.

##### Skin protection

##### Hand protection:

Chemical resistant gloves

##### Other:

Wear a full, chemical-resistant protective suit to prevent skin contact.

##### Respiratory protection:

In case of inadequate ventilation use suitable respirator.

##### Hygiene measures:

Provide eyewash station and safety shower. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing to remove contaminants. Discard contaminated footwear that cannot be cleaned. Do not get in eyes. Do not get this material in contact with skin.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Appearance

Physical state:	Solid
Form:	Solid
Color:	Dark red
Odor:	Odorless
Odor threshold:	No data available.
pH:	No data available.
Melting point/freezing point:	197 °C Decomposes
Initial boiling point and boiling range:	No data available.
Flash Point:	No data available.
Evaporation rate:	No data available.
Flammability (solid, gas):	No data available.

### Upper/lower limit on flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - upper (%):	No data available.
Flammability limit - lower (%):	No data available.
Explosive limit - upper (%):	No data available.
Explosive limit - lower (%):	No data available.

Vapor pressure:	No data available.
Vapor density:	No data available.
Relative density:	2.7 (20 °C)

### Solubility(ies)

Solubility in water:	630 g/l (20 °C)
Solubility (other):	No data available.
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	No data available.
Auto-ignition temperature:	No data available.
Decomposition temperature:	No data available.
Viscosity:	No data available.

### Other information

Molecular weight:	99.99 g/mol (CrO3)
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## 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity:	No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Chemical stability:	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions:	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Conditions to avoid:	Excessive heat. Contact with incompatible materials. Contact with combustibles.
Incompatible materials:	Flammable/combustible material. Aluminum.
Hazardous decomposition products:	By heating and fire, toxic vapors/gases may be formed.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

Ingestion:	May be fatal if swallowed. May cause burns of the gastrointestinal tract if swallowed.
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**Inhalation:** Fatal if inhaled. Irritating to respiratory system.

**Skin contact:** Fatal in contact with skin. Causes skin burns.

**Eye contact:** Causes serious eye damage.

#### Information on toxicological effects

##### Acute toxicity (list all possible routes of exposure)

###### Oral

**Product:** LD 50 (Rat): 25 mg/kg

###### Dermal

**Product:** LD 50 (Rabbit): 30 mg/kg

###### Inhalation

**Product:** LC 50 (Rat, 4 h): 0.087 mg/l

###### Repeated dose toxicity

**Product:** No data available.

###### Skin corrosion/irritation

**Product:** Causes skin burns.

###### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

**Product:** Causes serious eye damage.

###### Respiratory or skin sensitization

**Product:** May cause an allergic skin reaction. May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

###### Carcinogenicity

**Product:** May cause cancer.

##### IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans:

CHROMIUM(VI)  
OXIDE (1:3) Overall evaluation: 1. Carcinogenic to humans.

##### US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens:

CHROMIUM(VI)  
OXIDE (1:3) Known To Be Human Carcinogen.

##### US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050):

No carcinogenic components identified

###### Germ cell mutagenicity

###### In vitro

**Product:** No mutagenic components identified

###### In vivo

**Product:** No mutagenic components identified

###### Reproductive toxicity

**Product:** Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.

###### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

**Product:** Respiratory tract irritation.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

**Product:** Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**Aspiration hazard**

**Product:** Not classified

**Other effects:** None known.

<b>12. Ecological information</b>
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**Ecotoxicity:**
**Acute hazards to the aquatic environment:**
**Fish**

**Product:** No data available.

**Specified substance(s):**

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) LC 50 (Giant gourami (Colisa fasciata), 96 h): 21 mg/l Mortality

**Aquatic invertebrates**

**Product:** No data available.

**Specified substance(s):**

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) LC 50 (Cockle (Cerastoderma edule), 48 h): 100 - 330 mg/l Mortality  
LC 50 (Water flea (Daphnia magna), 48 h): 0.15 - 0.2 mg/l Mortality

**Chronic hazards to the aquatic environment:**
**Fish**

**Product:** No data available.

**Aquatic invertebrates**

**Product:** No data available.

**Toxicity to Aquatic Plants**

**Product:** No data available.

**Persistence and degradability**
**Biodegradation**

**Product:** There are no data on the degradability of this product.

**BOD/COD ratio**

**Product:** No data available.

**Bioaccumulative potential**
**Bioconcentration factor (BCF)**

**Product:** No data available on bioaccumulation.

**Partition coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow)**

**Product:** No data available.

**Mobility in soil:** No data available.

**Known or predicted distribution to environmental compartments**

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) No data available.



**Other adverse effects:** Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal instructions:** Discharge, treatment, or disposal may be subject to national, state, or local laws.

**Contaminated packaging:** Since emptied containers retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

### 14. Transport information

#### DOT

UN number:	UN 1463
UN proper shipping name:	Chromium trioxide, anhydrous
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class(es):	5.1, 6.1, 8
Label(s):	5.1, 6.1, 8
Packing group:	II
Marine Pollutant:	No

#### IMDG

UN number:	UN 1463
UN proper shipping name:	CHROMIUM TRIOXIDE, ANHYDROUS
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class(es):	5.1, 6.1, 8
Label(s):	5.1, 6.1, 8
EmS No.:	F-A, S-Q
Packing group:	II
Marine Pollutant:	No

#### IATA

UN number:	UN 1463
Proper Shipping Name:	Chromium trioxide, anhydrous
Transport hazard class(es):	
Class(es):	5.1, 6.1, 8
Label(s):	5.1, 6.1, 8
Marine Pollutant:	No
Packing group:	II

### 15. Regulatory information

#### US federal regulations

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

#### US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

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

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	Reportable quantity: 10 lbs.
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#### Superfund amendments and reauthorization act of 1986 (SARA)

#### Hazard categories

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acute (Immediate)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chronic (Delayed)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire	<input type="checkbox"/> Reactive	<input type="checkbox"/> Pressure Generating
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**SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance**

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

**SARA 304 Emergency release notification**

Chemical identity	RQ
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	10 lbs. 10 lbs.

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical**

Chemical identity	Threshold Planning Quantity
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	500 lbs

**SARA 313 (TRI reporting)**

Chemical identity	Reporting threshold for other users	Reporting threshold for manufacturing and processing
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	10000 lbs	25000 lbs.

**Clean Water Act Section 311 Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 117.3)**

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) Reportable quantity: 10 lbs.

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

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

**US state regulations**
**US. California Proposition 65**

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	Carcinogenic.
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	Developmental toxin., Female reproductive toxin., Male reproductive toxin. WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	Carcinogenic.
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	Male reproductive toxin.
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	Female reproductive toxin.
CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3)	Developmental toxin.

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

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE (1:3) Listed

**US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List**

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE  
(1:3) Listed

**US. Pennsylvania RTK - Hazardous Substances**

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE  
(1:3) Listed

**US. Rhode Island RTK**

CHROMIUM(VI) OXIDE  
(1:3) Listed

**Inventory Status:**

Australia AICS:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Canada DSL Inventory List:	On or in compliance with the inventory
EINECS, ELINCS or NLP:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan (ENCS) List:	On or in compliance with the inventory
China Inv. Existing Chemical Substances:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Korea Existing Chemicals Inv. (KECI):	On or in compliance with the inventory
Canada NDSL Inventory:	Not in compliance with the inventory.
Philippines PICCS:	On or in compliance with the inventory
US TSCA Inventory:	On or in compliance with the inventory
New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan ISHL Listing:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan Pharmacopoeia Listing:	Not in compliance with the inventory.

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

**NFPA Hazard ID**



Hazard rating: 0 - Minimal; 1 - Slight; 2 - Moderate; 3 - Serious; 4 - Severe  
OXY: Oxidizer

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