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# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

**Product identifier: MERCURIC THIOCYANATE** 

Other means of identification

Product No.: P651

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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Center Valley, PA 18034

Telephone:

Customer Service: 855-282-6867

Fax:

Contact Person: Environmental Health & Safety e-mail: info@avantormaterials.com

**Emergency telephone number:** 

24 Hour Emergency: 908-859-2151

Chemtrec: 800-424-9300

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### **Hazard Classification**

#### **Health Hazards**

Acute toxicity (Oral) Category 2
Acute toxicity (Dermal) Category 1
Acute toxicity (Inhalation - dust and Category 2

mist)

Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Category 2

Repeated Exposure

## **Environmental Hazards**

Acute hazards to the aquatic Category 1

environment

Chronic hazards to the aquatic Category 1

environment

#### **Label Elements**

## **Hazard Symbol:**



Signal Word: Danger



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**Hazard Statement:** Fatal if inhaled.

Fatal if swallowed.

Fatal in contact with skin.

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary Statement

**Prevention:** Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Use only outdoors or in a

well-ventilated area. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face

protection. Avoid release to the environment.

**Response:** IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position

comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or

doctor/physician. IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Rinse mouth. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before

reuse. Collect spillage.

**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 (%)*		
MERCURIC THIOCYANATE		592-85-8	60 - 100%		

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

#### 4. First-aid measures

General information: Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. Show this safety data sheet

to the doctor in attendance.

**Ingestion:** Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Rinse mouth. Do

NOT induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach

content doesn't get into the lungs.

**Inhalation:** Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Apply artificial

respiration if victim is not breathing Call a physician or poison control center

immediately.

**Skin Contact:** Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while

removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention if irritation persists after washing. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Destroy or thoroughly clean contaminated shoes.



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**Eye contact:** Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If easy to do,

remove contact lenses. Get medical attention if irritation persists after washing. In case of irritation from airborne exposure, move to fresh air.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

**Symptoms:** Causes severe skin and eye burns.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

**Treat symptomatically.** Symptoms may be delayed.

5. Fire-fighting measures

**General Fire Hazards:** In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes.

Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing

media:

Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.

Unsuitable extinguishing

media:

None known.

Specific hazards arising from

the chemical:

During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed. Product is highly caustic. Product is acidic. Wear appropriate protective gear if spilled during

fire fighting.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Special fire fighting

procedures:

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.

Special protective equipment

for fire-fighters:

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

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures: Keep unauthorized personnel away. Keep upwind. Use personal protective equipment. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. See Section 8 of the MSDS for Personal Protective

Equipment.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning

up:

Neutralize with lime or soda ash. Neutralize spill area and washings with dilute acetic acid. Absorb spill with vermiculite or other inert material, then place in a container for chemical waste. Dike far ahead of larger spill for

later recovery and disposal.

Notification Procedures: Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Inform

authorities if large amounts are involved.

**Environmental Precautions:** 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.



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## 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling: Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

> Do not taste or swallow. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Use caution when adding this material to water. See Section 8 of the MSDS for Personal Protective Equipment. Avoid contact with eyes. Avoid contact with skin. Wash

contaminated clothing before reuse.

Conditions for safe storage,

including any incompatibilities: Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Keep container tightly closed. Store in a cool and well-ventilated place. Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner. Store locked up.

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

## **Control Parameters**

Occupational Exposure Limits

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Chemical Identity	Туре	Exposure Limit Values	Source				
MERCURIC THIOCYANATE - Vapor as Hg	Ceil_Time	0.1 ppm	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2010)				
MERCURIC THIOCYANATE - as Hg			US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) (1989)				
	TWA	0.025 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (03 2013)				

**Biological Limit Values** 

Chemical Identity	Exposure Limit Values	Source
MERCURIC THIOCYANATE (Total inorganic mercury:	20 μg/g (Creatinine in urine)	ACGIH BEL (03 2014)
Sampling time: Prior to shift.)		

## **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. Wear

a full-face respirator, if needed.

**Skin Protection** 

**Hand Protection:** Chemical resistant gloves

Other: Wear suitable protective clothing.

**Respiratory Protection:** If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below

> recommended exposure limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not been established), an approved respirator must be worn. Air-purifying respirator with an appropriate, government approved (where applicable), air-purifying filter,

cartridge or canister. Contact health and safety professional or

manufacturer for specific information.



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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 and protective equipment to remove contaminants. Do not get this material in

contact with skin. Do not get in eyes.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

**Appearance** 

Physical state: Solid
Form: Powder
Color: White, Tan
Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: No data available. PH: No data available.

Melting point/freezing point: 165 °C

Initial boiling point and boiling range:No data available.Flash Point:Not applicableEvaporation rate:No data available.Flammability (solid, gas):No data available.

Upper/lower limit on flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - upper (%):

Flammability limit - lower (%):

Explosive limit - upper (%):

Explosive limit - lower (%):

Vapor pressure:

No data available.

No data available.

No data available.

Vapor pressure:

< 0.01 kPa (25 °C)

Vapor density: 10.9 AIR=1 Relative density: 4.00 (20 °C)

Solubility(ies)

Solubility in water: Negligible

**Solubility (other):** alcohol: Slightly Soluble

ammonia: Soluble

hydrochloric acid: Soluble ether: Slightly Soluble

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):

Auto-ignition temperature:

No data available.

No data available.

No data available.

Viscosity:

No data available.

Other information

Molecular weight: 316.79 g/mol (CHNS.1/2Hg)

## 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: Avoid dust formation. Heat, sparks, flames. Light. Moisture. Contact with

incompatible materials.

Incompatible Materials: Strong oxidizing agents. Metals. Aluminum. Acids. Moisture.

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**Hazardous Decomposition** 

Products:

Fire or excessive heat may produce hazardous decomposition products.

Cyanides. Mercury Nitrogen Oxides Oxides of sulfur.

## 11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

**Ingestion:** Fatal if swallowed.

**Inhalation:** Fatal if inhaled.

**Skin Contact:** Fatal in contact with skin.

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

## Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (list all possible routes of exposure)

Oral

**Product:** LD 50 (Rat): 46 mg/kg

LD 50 (Mouse): 24.5 mg/kg

**Dermal** 

Product: LD 50 (Rat): 685 mg/kg

Inhalation

**Product:** No data available.

**Repeated Dose Toxicity** 

**Product:** No data available.

Skin Corrosion/Irritation

**Product:** Fatal in contact with skin.

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

**Product:** Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or Skin Sensitization

**Product:** Not a skin sensitizer.

Carcinogenicity

**Product:** This substance has no evidence of carcinogenic properties.

IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans:

No carcinogenic components identified

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

No carcinogenic components identified

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:** No components toxic to reproduction



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**Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure Product:** No data available.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure** 

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

**Aspiration Hazard** 

**Product:** Not classified

Other Effects: None known.

## 12. Ecological information

## **Ecotoxicity:**

Acute hazards to the aquatic environment:

No data available. **Product:** 

**Aquatic Invertebrates** 

**Product:** No data available.

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.

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

#### 13. Disposal considerations



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

laws. 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.

Contaminated Packaging: Since emptied containers retain product residue, follow label warnings even

after container is emptied.

## 14. Transport information

DOT

UN Number: UN 1646

UN Proper Shipping Name: Mercury thiocyanate

Transport Hazard Class(es)

Class(es): 6.1
Label(s): 6.1
Packing Group: II
Marine Pollutant: Yes

**IMDG** 

UN Number: UN 1646

UN Proper Shipping Name: MERCURY THIOCYANATE

Transport Hazard Class(es)

Class(es): 6.1
Label(s): 6.1
EmS No.: F-A, S-A

Packing Group: II
Marine Pollutant: Yes

IATA

UN Number: UN 1646

Proper Shipping Name: Mercury thiocyanate

Transport Hazard Class(es):

Class(es): 6.1
Label(s): 6.1
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):

MERCURIC THIOCYANATE Reportable quantity: 10 lbs.

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

## **Hazard categories**

Χ	Acute (Immediate)	Х	Chronic (Delayed)		Fire		Reactive		Pressure Generating
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#### **SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance**

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SARA 304 Emergency Release Notification

Chemical Identity Ro

MERCURIC 10 lbs.

**THIOCYANATE** 

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Chemical

Chemical Identity Threshold Planning Quantity

MERCURIC 500 lbs

**THIOCYANATE** 

SARA 313 (TRI Reporting)

Reporting Reporting threshold for threshold for manufacturing and

Chemical Identity other users processing

MERCURIC 10 lbs

**THIOCYANATE** 

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

MERCURIC THIOCYANATE 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

MERCURIC Developmental toxin.

**THIOCYANATE** 

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

MERCURIC THIOCYANATE Listed

#### US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

MERCURIC Listed

**THIOCYANATE** 

#### US. Pennsylvania RTK - Hazardous Substances

MERCURIC Listed

**THIOCYANATE** 

#### **US. Rhode Island RTK**

MERCURIC Listed

**THIOCYANATE** 

#### **Inventory Status:**

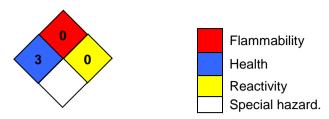
Australia AICS: On or in compliance with the inventory Canada DSL Inventory List: On or in compliance with the inventory EINECS, ELINCS or NLP: On or in compliance with the inventory Japan (ENCS) List: Not in compliance with the inventory. On or in compliance with the inventory China Inv. Existing Chemical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

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



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#### NFPA Hazard ID



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

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Version #: 1.0

Further Information: No data available.

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