

# Hydroquinone, 1% w/v

## Safety Data Sheet

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### SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

#### 1.1. Product identifier

Product form : Mixture  
Product name : Hydroquinone, 1% w/v  
Product code : LC15500

#### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Use of the substance/mixture : For laboratory and manufacturing use only.

#### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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[info@labchem.com](mailto:info@labchem.com) - [www.labchem.com](http://www.labchem.com)

#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 or 011-703-527-3887

### SECTION 2: Hazards identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

##### Classification (GHS-US)

Eye Irrit. 2A H319  
Skin Sens. 1 H317  
Muta. 2 H341  
Carc. 2 H351  
Aquatic Acute 3 H402

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

#### 2.2. Label elements

##### GHS-US labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS-US)



GHS07

GHS08

Signal word (GHS-US)

: Warning

Hazard statements (GHS-US)

: H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H341 - Suspected of causing genetic defects  
H351 - Suspected of causing cancer  
H402 - Harmful to aquatic life

Precautionary statements (GHS-US)

: P201 - Obtain special instructions before use  
P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
P261 - Avoid breathing mist  
P264 - Wash exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
P272 - Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace  
P273 - Avoid release to the environment  
P280 - Wear protective gloves, eye protection  
P302+P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
P305+P351+P338 - If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
P308+P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention  
P333+P313 - If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention  
P337+P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention  
P362+P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse  
P405 - Store locked up  
P501 - Dispose of contents/container to comply with local, state and federal regulations

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### 2.3. Other hazards

Other hazards not contributing to the classification : None under normal conditions.

### 2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS-US)

Not applicable

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1. Substance

Not applicable

### 3.2. Mixture

Name	Product identifier	%	Classification (GHS-US)
Water	(CAS No) 7732-18-5	99	Not classified
Hydroquinone	(CAS No) 123-31-9	1	Acute Tox. 4 (Oral), H302 Eye Dam. 1, H318 Skin Sens. 1, H317 Muta. 2, H341 Carc. 2, H351 Aquatic Acute 1, H400

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures general : Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible). Suspected of causing cancer.

First-aid measures after inhalation : Allow victim to breathe fresh air. Allow the victim to rest.

First-aid measures after skin contact : Remove affected clothing and wash all exposed skin area with mild soap and water, followed by warm water rinse. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

First-aid measures after eye contact : Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

First-aid measures after ingestion : Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Obtain emergency medical attention.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms/injuries : Suspected of causing genetic defects.

Symptoms/injuries after inhalation : May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Symptoms/injuries after eye contact : Causes serious eye irritation.

### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Obtain medical assistance.

## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Foam. Dry powder. Carbon dioxide. Water spray. Sand.

Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use a heavy water stream.

### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

No additional information available

### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

Firefighting instructions : Use water spray or fog for cooling exposed containers. Exercise caution when fighting any chemical fire. Prevent fire-fighting water from entering environment.

Protection during firefighting : Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection.

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

#### 6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

Protective equipment : Safety glasses. Gloves.

Emergency procedures : Evacuate unnecessary personnel.

#### 6.1.2. For emergency responders

Protective equipment : Equip cleanup crew with proper protection.

Emergency procedures : Ventilate area.

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### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Prevent entry to sewers and public waters. Notify authorities if liquid enters sewers or public waters. Avoid release to the environment.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for cleaning up : Soak up spills with inert solids, such as clay or diatomaceous earth as soon as possible. Collect spillage. Store away from other materials.

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

See Heading 8. Exposure controls and personal protection.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling : Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking or smoking and when leaving work. Provide good ventilation in process area to prevent formation of vapor. Avoid breathing mist. Obtain special instructions before use. Use personal protective equipment as required. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

Hygiene measures : Wash exposed skin thoroughly after handling. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions : Keep container closed when not in use.

Incompatible products : Strong oxidizers.

Incompatible materials : Sources of ignition. Direct sunlight.

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

No additional information available

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1. Control parameters

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ACGIH	Not applicable	
OSHA	Not applicable	
Hydroquinone (123-31-9)		
ACGIH	ACGIH TWA (mg/m³)	1 mg/m³
OSHA	OSHA PEL (TWA) (mg/m³)	2 mg/m³
Water (7732-18-5)		
ACGIH	Not applicable	
OSHA	Not applicable	

### 8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls : Emergency eye wash fountains and safety showers should be available in the immediate vicinity of any potential exposure. Ensure adequate ventilation.

Personal protective equipment : Avoid all unnecessary exposure.

Hand protection : Wear protective gloves.

Eye protection : Chemical goggles or safety glasses.

Respiratory protection : Wear appropriate mask.

Other information : Do not eat, drink or smoke during use.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state : Liquid

Color : Colorless

Odor : None.

Odor threshold : No data available

pH : No data available

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Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1)	: No data available
Melting point	: No data available
Freezing point	: No data available
Boiling point	: No data available
Flash point	: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	: No data available
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: No data available
Vapor pressure	: No data available
Relative vapor density at 20 °C	: No data available
Relative density	: No data available
Solubility	: Soluble in water. Water: Solubility in water of component(s) of the mixture : • Hydroquinone: 70 g/l
Log Pow	: No data available
Log Kow	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Explosive properties	: No data available
Oxidizing properties	: No data available
Explosive limits	: No data available

### 9.2. Other information

No additional information available

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

No additional information available

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Not established.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Direct sunlight. Extremely high or low temperatures.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizers.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity : Not classified

Hydroquinone (123-31-9)	
LD50 oral rat	302 mg/kg
ATE US (oral)	302.000 mg/kg body weight
Water (7732-18-5)	
LD50 oral rat	≥ 90000 mg/kg
ATE US (oral)	90000.000 mg/kg body weight

Skin corrosion/irritation	: Not classified
Serious eye damage/irritation	: Causes serious eye irritation.
Respiratory or skin sensitization	: May cause an allergic skin reaction.
Germ cell mutagenicity	: Suspected of causing genetic defects.

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Carcinogenicity : Suspected of causing cancer.

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IARC group	3 - Not classifiable
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Reproductive toxicity : Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) : Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) : Not classified

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

Potential Adverse human health effects and symptoms : Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Symptoms/injuries after inhalation : May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Symptoms/injuries after eye contact : Causes serious eye irritation.

## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - water : Harmful to aquatic life.

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

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Persistence and degradability	Not established.
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#### Water (7732-18-5)

Persistence and degradability	Not established.
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### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

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Bioaccumulative potential	Not established.
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Bioaccumulative potential	Not established.
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### 12.4. Mobility in soil

No additional information available

### 12.5. Other adverse effects

Effect on ozone layer :

Effect on the global warming : No known ecological damage caused by this product.

Other information : Avoid release to the environment.

## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste disposal recommendations : Dispose in a safe manner in accordance with local/national regulations. Dispose of contents/container to comply with local, state and federal regulations.

Ecology - waste materials : Avoid release to the environment.

## SECTION 14: Transport information

In accordance with DOT

Not regulated for transport

### Additional information

Other information : No supplementary information available.

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### ADR

No additional information available

### Transport by sea

No additional information available

### Air transport

No additional information available

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1. US Federal regulations

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SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes	Immediate (acute) health hazard Delayed (chronic) health hazard
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All components of this product are listed, or excluded from listing, on the United States Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory

#### Hydroquinone (123-31-9)

Listed on United States SARA Section 313

RQ (Reportable quantity, section 304 of EPA's List of Lists)	100 lb
SARA Section 302 Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ)	10000 lb 500lb if the substance is solid in powder form with particle size less than 100 microns, or is in solution or molten form
SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes	Immediate (acute) health hazard Delayed (chronic) health hazard

### 15.2. International regulations

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WHMIS Classification	Class D Division 2 Subdivision A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects Class D Division 2 Subdivision B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects
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#### Hydroquinone (123-31-9)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

WHMIS Classification	Class D Division 2 Subdivision A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects Class E - Corrosive Material
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#### Water (7732-18-5)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

WHMIS Classification	Uncontrolled product according to WHMIS classification criteria
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### EU-Regulations

No additional information available

### Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

### Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC [DSD] or 1999/45/EC [DPD]

Not classified

### 15.2.2. National regulations

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Listed on the Canadian IDL (Ingredient Disclosure List)

#### Water (7732-18-5)

Not listed on the Canadian IDL (Ingredient Disclosure List)

### 15.3. US State regulations

California Proposition 65 - This product does not contain any substances known to the state of California to cause cancer and/or reproductive harm

## SECTION 16: Other information

Other information : None.

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Acute Tox. 4 (Oral)	Acute toxicity (oral) Category 4
Aquatic Acute 1	Hazardous to the aquatic environment - Acute Hazard Category 1
Aquatic Acute 3	Hazardous to the aquatic environment - Acute Hazard Category 3
Carc. 2	Carcinogenicity Category 2
Eye Dam. 1	Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 1
Eye Irrit. 2A	Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 2A
Muta. 2	Germ cell mutagenicity Category 2
Skin Sens. 1	Skin sensitization Category 1
H302	Harmful if swallowed
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction
H318	Causes serious eye damage
H319	Causes serious eye irritation
H341	Suspected of causing genetic defects
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H400	Very toxic to aquatic life
H402	Harmful to aquatic life

NFPA health hazard

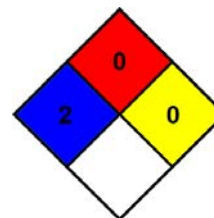
: 2 - Intense or continued exposure could cause temporary incapacitation or possible residual injury unless prompt medical attention is given.

NFPA fire hazard

: 0 - Materials that will not burn.

NFPA reactivity

: 0 - Normally stable, even under fire exposure conditions, and are not reactive with water.



HMIS III Rating

Health

: 2 Moderate Hazard - Temporary or minor injury may occur

Flammability

: 0 Minimal Hazard

Physical

: 0 Minimal Hazard

Personal Protection

: B

SDS US (GHS HazCom 2012)

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