# **GE** Healthcare

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

Conforms to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), Annex II - Switzerland

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

1.1 Product identifier

**Product name** SwabCheck, 4 ml, 125 pack

Catalogue Number 10498404

Not available.

**Product description** Liquid. Product type Not available. Other means of identification

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

Analytical chemistry. Analytical reagent. Research and Development

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

Supplier GE Healthcare UK Ltd Hours of operation

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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Mixture

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

# SECTION 2: Hazards identification

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Product definition

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

Not classified.

Ingredients of unknown toxicity

Ingredients of unknown ecotoxicity



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# Classification according to Directive 1999/45/EC [DPD]

The product is not classified as dangerous according to Directive 1999/45/EC and its amendments.

Not classified. Classification

See Section 16 for the full text of the R phrases or H statements declared above.

See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

#### 2.2 Label elements

Hazard pictograms

Signal word No signal word.

Hazard statements No known significant effects or critical hazards.

**Precautionary statements** 

Prevention Not applicable. Not applicable. Response Not applicable. Storage Not applicable. Disposal

Hazardous ingredients

Supplemental label elements Not applicable.

Special packaging requirements

Containers to be fitted with child-resistant fastenings

Not applicable.

Tactile warning of danger Not applicable.

#### 2.3 Other hazards

Other hazards which do not result Not available.

in classification

# SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Substance/mixture

#### Type

[1] Substance classified with a health or environmental hazard

[2] Substance with a workplace exposure limit

[3] Substance meets the criteria for PBT according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, Annex XIII

[4] Substance meets the criteria for vPvB according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006, Annex XIII

#### SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Check for Eye contact

and remove any contact lenses. Get medical attention if irritation occurs.

Inhalation Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Get medical attention

if symptoms occur.

Skin contact Flush contaminated skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical

attention if symptoms occur.

Wash out mouth with water. Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for Ingestion

breathing. If material has been swallowed and the exposed person is conscious, give small quantities of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Get medical

attention if symptoms occur.

No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Protection of first-aiders

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

# Potential acute health effects

Eye contact No known significant effects or critical hazards. No known significant effects or critical hazards. Inhalation No known significant effects or critical hazards. Skin contact No known significant effects or critical hazards. Ingestion



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Over-exposure signs/symptoms

Eye contactNo specific data.InhalationNo specific data.Skin contactNo specific data.IngestionNo specific data.

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

Notes to physician Treat symptomatically. Contact poison treatment specialist immediately if large quantities have been

ingested or inhaled.

**Specific treatments** No specific treatment.

### **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

**Suitable extinguishing media**Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

Unsuitable extinguishing media None known.

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

Hazards from the substance or

mixture

In a fire or if heated, a pressure increase will occur and the container may burst.

**Hazardous combustion products** No specific data.

#### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Special precautions for fire-

fighters

Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No

action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training.

Special protective equipment for

fire-fighters

Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode. Clothing for fire-fighters (including

helmets, protective boots and gloves) conforming to European standard EN 469 will provide a basic level

of protection for chemical incidents.

#### SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

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

For non-emergency personnel No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding

areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Do not touch or walk through spilt

material. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.

For emergency responders If specialised clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in Section 8 on

suitable and unsuitable materials. See also the information in "For non-emergency personnel".

**6.2 Environmental precautions** Avoid dispersal of spilt material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air).

#### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Small spill Stop leak if without risk. Move containers from spill area. Dilute with water and mop up if water-soluble.

Alternatively, or if water-insoluble, absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste

disposal container. Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor.

Large spill Stop leak if without risk. Move containers from spill area. Prevent entry into sewers, water courses,

basements or confined areas. Wash spillages into an effluent treatment plant or proceed as follows. Contain and collect spillage with non-combustible, absorbent material e.g. sand, earth, vermiculite or diatomaceous earth and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13). Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Note: see section 1 for emergency contact

information and section 13 for waste disposal.

**6.4 Reference to other sections** See Section 1 for emergency contact information.

See Section 8 for information on appropriate personal protective equipment.

See Section 13 for additional waste treatment information.



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### SECTION 7: Handling and storage

The information in this section contains generic advice and guidance. The list of Identified Uses in Section 1 should be consulted for any available use-specific information provided in the Exposure Scenario(s).

#### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

**Protective measures** 

Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8).

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in original container protected from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials (see section 10) and food and drink. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Do not store in unlabelled containers. Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

Analytical chemistry. Analytical reagent. Research and Development Recommendations

Industrial sector specific solutions Not available.

# SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

The information in this section contains generic advice and guidance. The list of Identified Uses in Section 1 should be consulted for any available use-specific information provided in the Exposure Scenario(s).

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Occupational exposure limits

No exposure limit value known.

Recommended monitoring procedures

If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, personal, workplace atmosphere or biological monitoring may be required to determine the effectiveness of the ventilation or other control measures and/or the necessity to use respiratory protective equipment. Reference should be made to European Standard EN 689 for methods for the assessment of exposure by inhalation to chemical agents and national guidance documents for methods for the determination of hazardous substances.

#### Derived effect levels

No DELs available

### Predicted effect concentrations

No PECs available.

### 8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

No special ventilation requirements. Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control worker exposure to airborne contaminants. If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure below any recommended or statutory limits.

#### **Individual protection measures**

Hygiene measures

Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Eye/face protection

Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts.

#### Skin protection

Hand protection

Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary.

**Body protection** 

Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.

Other skin protection

Appropriate footwear and any additional skin protection measures should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.

Respiratory protection

Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

**Environmental exposure controls** 

Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. In some cases, fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable



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# SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

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

**Appearance** 

Physical state Liquid. Not available. Colour Not available. Odour Not available. Odour threshold Not available. Melting point/freezing point Not available. Not available. Initial boiling point and boiling

range

Flash point

Closed cup: Not applicable. [Product does not sustain combustion.]

Not available. **Evaporation rate** Not available. Flammability (solid, gas) Not applicable. **Burning time** Not applicable. **Burning rate** 

Upper/lower flammability or

explosive limits

Not available.

Vapour pressure Not available. Not available. Vapour density Not available. Relative density

Easily soluble in the following materials: cold water. Solubility(ies)

Partition coefficient: n-

octanol/water

Not available.

Not available. **Auto-ignition temperature** Not available. **Decomposition temperature** Not available. Viscosity **Explosive properties** Not available. Not available. Oxidising properties

# 9.2 Other information

No additional information.

### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

No specific test data related to reactivity available for this product or its ingredients. 10.1 Reactivity

The product is stable. 10.2 Chemical stability

10.3 Possibility of hazardous

reactions

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.

No specific data. 10.4 Conditions to avoid 10.5 Incompatible materials No specific data.

10.6 Hazardous decomposition

products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

### **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

# 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity** 

Not available. Conclusion/Summary

Acute toxicity estimates

Not available.

Irritation/Corrosion

Conclusion/Summary Not available.



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**Sensitiser** 

Conclusion/Summary Not available.

**Mutagenicity** 

Conclusion/Summary Not available.

Carcinogenicity

Conclusion/Summary Not available.

Reproductive toxicity

Conclusion/Summary Not available.

**Teratogenicity** 

Conclusion/Summary Not available.

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

Not available.

### Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)

Not available.

#### **Aspiration hazard**

Not available.

**Information on the likely routes of** Routes of entry anticipated:Oral, Dermal, Inhalation. **exposure** 

Potential acute health effects

InhalationNo known significant effects or critical hazards.IngestionNo known significant effects or critical hazards.Skin contactNo known significant effects or critical hazards.Eye contactNo known significant effects or critical hazards.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

InhalationNo specific data.IngestionNo specific data.Skin contactNo specific data.Eye contactNo specific data.

# Delayed and immediate effects and also chronic effects from short and long term exposure

Short term exposure

Potential immediate effects Not available.

Potential delayed effects Not available.

Long term exposure

Potential immediate effects Not available.

Potential delayed effects Not available.

Potential chronic health effects

Not available.

Conclusion/Summary Not available.

General No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Carcinogenicity No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Mutagenicity No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Teratogenicity No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Developmental effects No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Fertility effects No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Other information Not available.



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# **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

#### 12.1 Toxicity

Not available. Conclusion/Summary

#### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Not available. Conclusion/Summary

#### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Not available.

#### 12.4 Mobility in soil

Soil/water partition coefficient (Koc Not available.

Mobility Not available.

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Not applicable. vPvB Not applicable.

No known significant effects or critical hazards. 12.6 Other adverse effects

# **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

The information in this section contains generic advice and guidance. The list of Identified Uses in Section 1 should be consulted for any available use-specific information provided in the Exposure Scenario(s).

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

### **Product**

Methods of disposal The generation of waste should be avoided or minimised wherever possible. Significant quantities of

waste product residues should not be disposed of via the foul sewer but processed in a suitable effluent treatment plant. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority

requirements.

Within the present knowledge of the supplier, this product is not regarded as hazardous waste, as Hazardous waste

defined by EU Directive 91/689/EEC.

**Packaging** 

The generation of waste should be avoided or minimised wherever possible. Waste packaging should be Methods of disposal

recycled. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible.

Special precautions This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Empty containers or liners may retain

some product residues. Avoid dispersal of spilt material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways,

drains and sewers.

# SECTION 14: Transport information

	ADR/RID	ADN/ADNR	IMDG	IATA
14.1 UN number	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.
14.2 UN proper shipping name	-	-	-	-
14.3 Transport hazard class(es)	-	-	-	-
14.4 Packing group	-	-	-	-
14.5 Environmental hazards	No.	No.	No.	No.
14.6 Special precautions for user	Not available.	Not available.	Not available.	Not available.



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Additional information	-	-	-	-

Not available.

14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

## **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

# 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### EU Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH)

Annex XIV - List of substances subject to authorisation

### Substances of very high concern

None of the components are listed.

Annex XVII - Restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixtures

Not applicable.

Other EU regulations

and articles

**Europe inventory** All components are listed or exempted.

 Black List Chemicals
 Not listed

 Priority List Chemicals
 Not listed

 Integrated pollution prevention
 Not listed

and control list (IPPC) - Air

Integrated pollution prevention and control list (IPPC) - Water

Not listed

National regulations

VOC content Liberated.

International regulations

Chemical Weapons Convention List Schedule I Chemicals Not listed

Chemical Weapons Convention List Schedule II Chemicals Not listed

Chemical Weapons Convention List Schedule III Chemicals Not listed

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment This product contains substances for which Chemical Safety Assessments are still required.

### **SECTION 16: Other information**

Indicates information that has changed from previously issued version.

**Abbreviations and acronyms** ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate

CLP = Classification, Labelling and Packaging Regulation (Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008]

DNEL = Derived No Effect Level

EUH statement = CLP-specific Hazard statement PNEC = Predicted No Effect Concentration RRN = REACH Registration Number

#### Procedure used to derive the classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP/GHS]

Classification	Justification
Not classified.	

Full text of abbreviated H statements

Not applicable.





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Full text of classifications

[CLP/GHS]

Not applicable.

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[DSD/DPD]

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