

**Australian statement of hazardous nature :** Classified as hazardous according to criteria of Safe Work Australia

## Section 1 - Identification

**Product Name** Selenious acid

**CAS No** 7783-00-8

**Synonyms** Monohydrated selenium dioxide; selenous acid.

**Product Code** **AJA436**

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**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** This product does not contain any substance(s) on the Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents list. This product does not contain any substance(s) subject to Prohibition, Authorization or Restriction. This product does not contain any substance(s) listed on the voluntary National Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern.

## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Safe Work Australia

Classified as hazardous according to criteria of Safe Work Australia

#### Physical hazards

No hazards identified

#### Health hazards

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Acute Oral Toxicity                                  | Category 3 |
| Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists          | Category 3 |
| Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure) | Category 2 |

#### Environmental hazards

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Acute aquatic toxicity   | Category 1 |
| Chronic aquatic toxicity | Category 1 |

#### Label Elements



Skull and Crossbones



Health Hazard



Environment

**Signal Word****Danger****Hazard Statements**

H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life

H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

H301 + H331 - Toxic if swallowed or if inhaled

**Precautionary Statements**

P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

P301 + P310 - IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

P311 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor

P330 - Rinse mouth

P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

P405 - Store locked up

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other information**

Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

| Component      | CAS No    | Weight % |
|----------------|-----------|----------|
| Selenious acid | 7783-00-8 | >95      |

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Inhalation**

Remove to fresh air. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

**Ingestion**

Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

**Skin Contact**

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Self-Protection of the First Aider**

Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to

protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.

**First Aid Facilities**

Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.

**Most important symptoms and effects**

No information available.

**Notes to Physician**

Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

**Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

No information available.

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.

**Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**Emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid dust formation.

**Environmental Precautions**

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up****Clean-up methods - small spillage**

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

**Clean-up methods - large spillage**

Typically only supplied in small quantities as packaged goods.

If extremely toxic or used in larger quantities ensure a spillage action plan is in place. Evacuate area. Control the source and/or contain the spill if safe and able to do so. Use temporary diking, sand bags, dry sand, earth or proprietary booms/absorbent pads if available. Obtain advice on containment, neutralisation and clean-up from local emergency responders.

**Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Precautions for Safe Handling**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

**Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep locked up.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

### Exposure limits

**AUS** - Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment - Guidance Note on the Interpretation of Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:3008(1995)]

Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003(1995)] updated in August, 2005. Safe Work Australia

**ACGIH** - Threshold Limit Values - Ceiling (TLV-C) guidelines by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) for controlling worker exposure to airborne chemical concentrations in the workplace.

**UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

**DE** - MAK and BAT values of Hazardous Chemical Compounds in the Work Area. Published by German Research Foundation on July 1, 2011

| Component      | Australia                  | New Zealand WEL | ACGIH TLV                  | The United Kingdom  | Germany  |
|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|---|--|
| Selenious acid | TWA: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> |                 | TWA: 0.2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> | STEL: 0.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min<br>TWA: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr | TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8 Stunden). AGW - exposure factor 1<br>TWA: 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8 Stunden). MAK<br>Höhepunkt: 0.16 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Haut |

### Biological limit values

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

### Exposure Controls

#### Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye Protection

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)

#### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

| Glove material | Breakthrough time                 | Glove thickness | AUS/NZ Standard | Glove comments        |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Butyl rubber   | See manufacturers recommendations | -               | AS/NZS 2161     | (minimum requirement) |

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

#### Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

#### Respiratory Protection

Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices

#### Recommended Filter type:

Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

#### Recommended half mask:-

Valve filtering: EN405 or Half mask: EN140 plus filter, EN 141 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Environmental exposure controls** Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

|  |                          |  |
|--|--------------------------|--|
| <b>Appearance</b>                              | White                    |  |
| <b>Physical State</b>                          | Solid                    |  |
| <b>Odor</b>                                    | No information available |  |
| <b>Odor Threshold</b>                          | No data available        |  |
| <b>pH</b>                                      | No information available |  |
| <b>Melting Point/Range</b>                     | 70 °C / 158 °F           |  |
| <b>Softening Point</b>                         | No data available        |  |
| <b>Boiling Point/Range</b>                     | No information available |  |
| <b>Flash Point</b>                             | No information available | <b>Method -</b> No information available |
| <b>Evaporation Rate</b>                        | Not applicable           | Solid                                    |
| <b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>                | No information available |  |
| <b>Explosion Limits</b>                        | No data available        |  |
| <b>Vapor Pressure</b>                          | 2.7 mbar @ 15 °C         |  |
| <b>Vapor Density</b>                           | Not applicable           | Solid                                    |
| <b>Specific Gravity / Density</b>              | No data available        |  |
| <b>Bulk Density</b>                            | No data available        |  |
| <b>Water Solubility</b>                        | 167 g/100ml (20°C)       |  |
| <b>Solubility in other solvents</b>            | No information available |  |
| <b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b> |                          |  |
| <b>Autoignition Temperature</b>                | Not applicable           |  |
| <b>Decomposition Temperature</b>               | No data available        |  |
| <b>Viscosity</b>                               | Not applicable           | Solid                                    |
| <b>Explosive Properties</b>                    | No information available |  |
| <b>Oxidizing Properties</b>                    | No information available |  |
| <b>Other information</b>                       |                          |  |
| <b>Molecular Formula</b>                       | H2 O3 Se                 |  |
| <b>Molecular Weight</b>                        | 128.97                   |  |

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Reactivity</b>                       | None known, based on information available  |
| <b>Stability</b>                        | Hygroscopic.  |
| <b>Conditions to Avoid</b>              | Incompatible products, Excess heat, Avoid dust formation, Exposure to moist air or water. |
| <b>Incompatible Materials</b>           | Strong oxidizing agents, Organic materials, Finely powdered metals.                       |
| <b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b> | None under normal use conditions.   |
| <b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>         | Hazardous polymerization does not occur.  |

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

## Information on Toxicological Effects

## Product Information

|  |  |
|--|--|
| (a) acute toxicity;                        |  |
| Oral                                       | Category 3   |
| Dermal                                     | Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met |
| Inhalation                                 | Category 3   |
| (b) skin corrosion/irritation;             | No data available  |
| (c) serious eye damage/irritation;         | No data available  |
| (d) respiratory or skin sensitization;     |  |
| Respiratory                                | No data available  |
| Skin                                       | No data available  |
| (e) germ cell mutagenicity;                | No data available  |
| (f) carcinogenicity;                       | No data available  |
|  | There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product        |
| (g) reproductive toxicity;                 | No data available  |
| (h) STOT-single exposure;                  | No data available  |
| (i) STOT-repeated exposure;                | Category 2   |
| Target Organs                              | None known.  |
| (j) aspiration hazard;                     | Not applicable   |
|  | Solid  |
| Other Adverse Effects                      | The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.   |
| Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed | No information available   |

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

|                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Ecotoxicity effects                   | Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. |
| Persistence and Degradability         |   |
| Persistence                           | Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.  |
| Degradation in sewage treatment plant | Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants.   |
| Bioaccumulative Potential             | Bioaccumulation is unlikely   |
| Mobility                              | The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility Highly mobile in soils                          |
| Endocrine Disruptor Information       | This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors   |
| Persistent Organic Pollutant          | This product does not contain any known or suspected substance  |
| Ozone Depletion Potential             | This product does not contain any known or suspected substance  |

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

**Waste from Residues/Unused Products**

Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure conformity with all applicable regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging**

Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

**Other Information**

Chemical wastes should be disposed through a licensed commercial waste collection service. Do not flush to sewer. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

**IMDG/IMO**

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| UN-No                   | UN2630        |
| Proper Shipping Name    | SELENATES     |
| Technical Shipping Name | Selenous acid |
| Hazard Class            | 6.1           |
| Packing Group           | I             |

**ADG**

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| UN-No                   | UN2630        |
| Proper Shipping Name    | SELENATES     |
| Technical Shipping Name | Selenous acid |
| Hazard Class            | 6.1           |
| Packing Group           | I             |

**IATA**

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| UN-No                   | UN2630        |
| Proper Shipping Name    | SELENATES     |
| Technical Shipping Name | Selenous acid |
| Hazard Class            | 6.1           |
| Packing Group           | I             |

**Environmental hazards**

Dangerous for the environment  
Product is a marine pollutant according to the criteria set by IMDG/IMO

**Special Precautions**

No special precautions required

**Additional information**

None known

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

**Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture****National Regulations**

**Australia**

See section 8 for national exposure control parameters.

**Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons**

No poison schedule number allocated.

**Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)**

| Component                 | Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS) | Additional information |
|---------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Selenous acid - 7783-00-8 | Present   | -                      |

**Australian - Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents Substance List**

This product does not contain any substance(s) on the Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents list.

**Chemicals of Security Concern**

This product does not contain any substance(s) listed on the voluntary National Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern

**National pollutant inventory** Not applicable**Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements**

Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licencing requirements when they apply.

This product does not contain any substance(s) subject to Prohibition, Authorization or Restriction.

**International Inventories**

| Component     | AICS | NZIoC | EINECS    | ELINCS | TSCA | DSL | NDSL | PICCS | ENCS | ISHL | IECSC | KECL     |
|---------------|------|-------|-----------|--------|------|-----|------|-------|------|------|-------|----------|
| Selenous acid | X    | X     | 231-974-7 | -      | X    | X   | -    | X     | X    | X    | X     | KE-30920 |

**Legend:** X - Listed. '-' - Not Listed. **KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)**International Regulations****Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance**Rotterdam Convention (PIC)** Not applicable**Basel convention on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal**

Take note that wastes may be subject to export, import, or transit controls pursuant to the Basel convention and/or local regulations implementing the Basel convention.

| Component                 | Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste) | Australian Hazardous Waste Act - Categories of Wastes to Be Controlled |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Selenous acid - 7783-00-8 | Annex I - Y25                      | Y25  |

| Component | CAS No | OECD HPV | Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities |
|-----------|--------|----------|--|---|---|
|           |        |          |  |   |   |



|                |           |                |                |                                 |                                |
|----------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                |           |                |                | for Major Accident Notification | for Safety Report Requirements |
| Selenious acid | 7783-00-8 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable                  | Not applicable                 |

## Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

| Component      | REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization | REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances | REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) |
|----------------|---|---|---|
| Selenious acid | -   | Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)              | -   |

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

## Section 16 - Other Information

Legend

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>AICS</b> - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances  | <b>NZIoC</b> - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals  |
| <b>TSCA</b> - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory                      | <b>EINECS/ELINCS</b> - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances |
| <b>DSL/NDL</b> - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List                      | <b>ENCS</b> - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances  |
| <b>IECSC</b> - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances                                     | <b>KECL</b> - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances  |
| <b>PICCS</b> - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances                            | <b>CAS</b> - Chemical Abstracts Service  |
| <b>TWA</b> - Time Weighted Average   | <b>ACGIH</b> - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)            |
| <b>IARC</b> - International Agency for Research on Cancer  | <b>IMO/IMDG</b> - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code                            |
| <b>ICAO/IATA</b> - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association | <b>ADG</b> - Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail   |
| <b>MARPOL</b> - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships                  | <b>OECD</b> - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development   |
| <b>NZS 5433:2020</b> - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land  | <b>LC50</b> - Lethal Concentration 50%   |
| <b>LD50</b> - Lethal Dose 50%  | <b>ATE</b> - Acute Toxicity Estimate   |
| <b>EC50</b> - Effective Concentration 50%  | <b>RPE</b> - Respiratory Protective Equipment  |
| <b>WEL</b> - Workplace Exposure Limit  | <b>NOEC</b> - No Observed Effect Concentration   |
| <b>DNEL</b> - Derived No Effect Level  | <b>BCF</b> - Bioconcentration factor   |
| <b>POW</b> - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water   | <b>PBT</b> - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic  |
| <b>vPvB</b> - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative  |  |
| <b>VOC</b> - (Volatile Organic Compound)   |  |

**Key literature references and sources for data**

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>  
Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

**Training Advice**

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.  
First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.  
Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.  
Chemical incident response training.

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**This Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is prepared in accordance to and complies with the requirements of Safe Work Australia - Work Health and Safety Regulations (WHS Regulations).**

**Disclaimer**

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relates only to the specific material designated and may not be valid for such material used in combination with any other materials or in any process, unless specified in the text

**End of Safety Data Sheet**