

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

Section 1 - Identification

Product Name Mercury(II) oxide, red

CAS No 21908-53-2

Synonyms Mercuric oxide

Product Code **L00604**

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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 contains one or more 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

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| Acute Oral Toxicity | Category 2 |
| Acute Dermal Toxicity | Category 1 |
| Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists | Category 2 |
| Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure) | Category 2 |

Environmental hazards

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| 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

H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

H300 + H310 + H330 - Fatal if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

Precautionary Statements

P262 - Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing

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

P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

P284 - Wear respiratory protection

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

P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

P330 - Rinse mouth

P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water

P361 + P364 - Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse

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

Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

| Component | CAS No | Weight % |
|----------------|------------|----------|
| Mercuric oxide | 21908-53-2 | 100 |

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 soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. 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.

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| 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

Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

Hazardous Decomposition Products

Oxygen.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Very toxic. Non-combustible, substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive and/or toxic fumes. 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.

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

Emergency procedures

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

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

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit. 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. Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe dust. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. 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.

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

Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Exposure limits

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 |
|----------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Mercuric oxide | | | TWA: 0.025 mg/m ³ Skin | TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³ 8 hr | TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³ (8 Stunden). AGW - exposure factor 8 TWA: 0.02 mg/m ³ (8 Stunden). MAK Höhepunkt: 0.16 mg/m ³ 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 adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. 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**

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 |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Natural rubber Nitrile rubber Neoprene PVC | 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 compatibility, 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

Recommended Filter type:
Recommended half mask:-

and maintenance of respiratory protective devices
 Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)
 Particle filtering: EN149:2001 (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

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| Appearance | Yellow-orange | |
| Physical State | Powder Solid | |
| Odor | Odorless | |
| Odor Threshold | No data available | |
| pH | No information available | |
| Melting Point/Range | 500 °C / 932 °F | |
| Softening Point | No data available | |
| Boiling Point/Range | No information available | |
| Flash Point | No information available | Method - No information available |
| Evaporation Rate | Not applicable | Solid |
| Flammability (solid,gas) | No information available | |
| Explosion Limits | No data available | |
| Vapor Pressure | No information available | |
| Vapor Density | Not applicable | Solid |
| Specific Gravity / Density | No data available | |
| Bulk Density | No data available | |
| Water Solubility | No information available | |
| Solubility in other solvents | No information available | |
| Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water) | | |
| Autoignition Temperature | No data available | |
| Decomposition Temperature | No data available | |
| Viscosity | Not applicable | Solid |
| Explosive Properties | No information available | |
| Oxidizing Properties | No information available | |
| Other information | | |
| Molecular Formula | Hg O | |
| Molecular Weight | 216.59 | |

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

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| Reactivity | None known, based on information available |
| Stability | Stable under recommended storage conditions. Light sensitive. |
| Conditions to Avoid | Avoid dust formation, Exposure to light, Incompatible products. |
| Incompatible Materials | Chlorine, Peroxides, Metals, Reducing Agent, Finely powdered metals. |
| Hazardous Decomposition Products | Oxygen. |
| Hazardous Polymerization | No information available. |

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

Information on Toxicological Effects

Product Information

(a) acute toxicity;

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| Oral | Category 2 |
| Dermal | Category 1 |
| Inhalation | Category 2 |

| Component | LD50 Oral | LD50 Dermal | LC50 Inhalation |
|----------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Mercuric oxide | LD50 = 18 mg/kg (Rat) | | |

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

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|-------------|-------------------|
| 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 Urinary Tract.

(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 Degradability

No information available

Degradation in sewage treatment plant

Not relevant for inorganic substances.

Bioaccumulative Potential

Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

No information available

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| Mobility | No information available. |
| 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

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| 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

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| UN-No | UN1641 |
| Proper Shipping Name | MERCURY OXIDE |
| Hazard Class | 6.1 |
| Packing Group | II |

| Component | IMDG Marine Pollutant |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Mercuric oxide 21908-53-2 (100) | IMDG regulated marine pollutant (Listed in the index) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN2025) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (Listed in the index, listed under Mercuric compounds) |

ADG

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| UN-No | UN1641 |
| Proper Shipping Name | MERCURY OXIDE |
| Hazard Class | 6.1 |
| Packing Group | II |

| Component | Hazchem Code |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Mercuric oxide 21908-53-2 (100) | 2X |

IATA

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| UN-No | UN1641 |
| Proper Shipping Name | MERCURY OXIDE |
| Hazard Class | 6.1 |
| Packing Group | II |

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| 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.

| Component | Health Surveillance |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Mercuric oxide 21908-53-2 (100) | Listed Demographic, medical and occupational history Physical examination with emphasis on dermatological, gastrointestinal, neurological and renal systems Urinary inorganic Mercury |

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons

Classified as a scheduled poison according to the Standard for Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons.

| Component | Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Mercuric oxide - 21908-53-2 | Schedule 7 - listed |

Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)

| Component | Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS) | Additional information |
|-----------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Mercuric oxide - 21908-53-2 | 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 contains one or more substance(s) listed on the voluntary National Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern

| Component | Australian - Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents Substance List | Chemicals of Security Concern |
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| Mercuric oxide - 21908-53-2 | | Listed in Appendix A |

Legend

Chemicals of Security Concern - for further information see <http://www.chemicalsecurity.gov.au/securityconcerns>

National pollutant inventory Not applicable

Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements

Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licensing 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 |
|----------------|------|-------|-----------|--------|------|-----|------|-------|------|------|-------|----------|
| Mercuric oxide | X | X | 244-654-7 | - | X | X | - | X | X | X | X | KE-23130 |

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) Chemicals Subject to Prior Informed Consent (PIC)

| Component | Rotterdam Convention (PIC) |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Mercuric oxide - 21908-53-2 | X |

MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

| Component | IMDG Marine Pollutant |
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| Mercuric oxide - 21908-53-2 | IMDG regulated marine pollutant (Listed in the index) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN2025) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (Listed in the index, listed under Mercuric compounds) |

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 |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Mercuric oxide - 21908-53-2 | Annex I - Y29 | Y29 |

| Component | CAS No | OECD HPV | Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements |
|----------------|------------|----------------|--|---|--|
| Mercuric oxide | 21908-53-2 | 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) |
|----------------|---|--|---|
| Mercuric oxide | - | Use restricted. See item 18. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details) | - |

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

Section 16 - Other Information

Legend

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory
DSL/NDL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List
IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances
PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
TWA - Time Weighted Average
IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer
ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association
MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships
NZS 5433:2012 - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances
ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances
KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service
ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
PNEC - Predicted No Effect Concentration
IMO/IMDG - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
ADG Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic**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.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

Chemical incident response training.

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Revision Summary

Not applicable.

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).

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