

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Chloroacetic acid

**Cat No. :** AC448110000; AC448110025; AC448111000; AC448115000

**CAS No** 79-11-8  
**Synonyms** MCA

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

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

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### 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Corrosive to metals                              | Category 1   |
| Acute oral toxicity                              | Category 3   |
| Acute dermal toxicity                            | Category 3   |
| Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists      | Category 3   |
| Skin Corrosion/Irritation                        | Category 1 B |
| Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation                | Category 1   |
| Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) | Category 3   |
| Target Organs - Respiratory system.              |              |

**Label Elements****Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

May be corrosive to metals  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
May cause respiratory irritation  
Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Keep only in original container

**Response**

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

**Inhalation**

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

**Skin**

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse  
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower

**Eyes**

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

**Ingestion**

Rinse mouth  
Do NOT induce vomiting

**Spills**

Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

**Storage**

Store locked up  
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner  
Store in a dry place

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

| Component         | CAS No  | Weight % |
|-------------------|---------|----------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | <=100    |

### 4. First-aid measures

**General Advice**

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.

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| <b>Skin Contact</b>                        | Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.  |
| <b>Inhalation</b>                          | Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. 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. |
| <b>Ingestion</b>                           | Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.   |
| <b>Most important symptoms and effects</b> | Causes burns by all exposure routes. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation                                |
| <b>Notes to Physician</b>                  | Treat symptomatically  |

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>     | CO <sub>2</sub> , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam. |
| <b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>   | No information available  |
| <b>Flash Point</b>                      | 126 °C / 258.8 °F   |
| <b>Method -</b>                         | No information available  |
| <b>Autoignition Temperature</b>         | 470 °C / 878 °F   |
| <b>Explosion Limits</b>                 |   |
| <b>Upper</b>                            | No data available   |
| <b>Lower</b>                            | 8.0%  |
| <b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b> | No information available  |
| <b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>  | No information available  |

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Hydrogen chloride gas.

### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

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.

### NFPA

|               |                     |                    |                         |
|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Health</b> | <b>Flammability</b> | <b>Instability</b> | <b>Physical hazards</b> |
| 4             | 1                   | 1                  | N/A                     |

## 6. Accidental release measures

|                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| <b>Personal Precautions</b>      | Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Avoid dust formation.   |
| <b>Environmental Precautions</b> | 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** Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

## 7. Handling and storage

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| <b>Handling</b> | Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Avoid dust formation. |
| <b>Storage.</b> | Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area. Store under an inert atmosphere. Protect from moisture. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong bases. Strong reducing agents. Amines. Alcohols.               |

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

| Component         | ACGIH TLV            | OSHA PEL | NIOSH IDLH | Mexico OEL (TWA) |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------|------------|------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | TWA: 0.5 ppm<br>Skin |          |            | TWA: 0.5 ppm     |

### Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Engineering Measures</b> | Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. |
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### Personal Protective Equipment

|                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>Eye/face Protection</b>      | Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.   |
| <b>Skin and body protection</b> | Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.   |
| <b>Respiratory Protection</b>   | Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced. |
| <b>Hygiene Measures</b>         | Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.  |

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

|   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| <b>Physical State</b>                         | Solid                         |
| <b>Appearance</b>                             | White                         |
| <b>Odor</b>                                   | pungent                       |
| <b>Odor Threshold</b>                         | No information available      |
| <b>pH</b>                                     | < 1 (800 g/l @ 20°C)          |
| <b>Melting Point/Range</b>                    | 61 - 63 °C / 141.8 - 145.4 °F |
| <b>Boiling Point/Range</b>                    | 189 °C / 372.2 °F             |
| <b>Flash Point</b>                            | 126 °C / 258.8 °F             |
| <b>Evaporation Rate</b>                       | Not applicable                |
| <b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>               | No information available      |
| <b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>       |                               |
| Upper   | No data available             |
| Lower   | 8.0%                          |
| <b>Vapor Pressure</b>                         | 0.75 mmHg (20°C)              |
| <b>Vapor Density</b>                          | Not applicable                |
| <b>Specific Gravity</b>                       | 1.580                         |
| <b>Solubility</b>                             | No information available      |
| <b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b> | No data available             |
| <b>Autoignition Temperature</b>               | 470 °C / 878 °F               |

|                           |                          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Decomposition Temperature | No information available |
| Viscosity                 | Not applicable           |
| Molecular Formula         | C2 H3 Cl O2              |
| Molecular Weight          | 94.5                     |

## 10. Stability and reactivity

|                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Reactive Hazard                  | None known, based on information available  |
| Stability                        | Hygroscopic.  |
| Conditions to Avoid              | Incompatible products. Excess heat. Avoid dust formation. Exposure to moist air or water. |
| Incompatible Materials           | Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases, Strong reducing agents, Amines, Alcohols           |
| Hazardous Decomposition Products | Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Hydrogen chloride gas            |
| Hazardous Polymerization         | Hazardous polymerization does not occur.  |
| Hazardous Reactions              | None under normal processing.   |

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information Component Information

| Component         | LD50 Oral               | LD50 Dermal                 | LC50 Inhalation                          |
|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Chloroacetic acid | LD50 = 55 mg/kg ( Rat ) | LD50 = 250 mg/kg ( Rabbit ) | LC50 = 180 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ( Rat ) 4 h |

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

#### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| Irritation      | Causes burns by all exposure routes  |
| Sensitization   | No information available   |
| Carcinogenicity | The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen. |

| Component         | CAS No  | IARC       | NTP        | ACGIH      | OSHA       | Mexico     |
|-------------------|---------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | Not listed | Not listed | Not listed | Not listed | Not listed |

**Mutagenic Effects** Not mutagenic in AMES Test

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** Respiratory system  
**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects**

The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

**12. Ecological information****Ecotoxicity**

The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

| Component         | Freshwater Algae   | Freshwater Fish  | Microtox   | Water Flea   |
|-------------------|--|--|------------|--|
| Chloroacetic acid | EC50: = 1.8 mg/L, 72h<br>(Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata)<br>EC50: = 0.025 mg/L, 72h<br>(Desmodesmus subspicatus) | LC50: = 145 mg/L, 96h<br>semi-static (Pimephales promelas) | Not listed | EC50: 71 - 85 mg/L, 48h<br>Static (Daphnia magna)<br>EC50: = 77 mg/L, 48h<br>(Daphnia magna) |

**Persistence and Degradability**

Persistence is unlikely

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation**

No information available.

**Mobility**

. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

| Component         | log Pow |
|-------------------|---------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 0.2     |

**13. Disposal considerations****Waste Disposal Methods**

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**14. Transport information****DOT**

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| UN-No                   | UN1751                   |
| Proper Shipping Name    | CHLOROACETIC ACID, SOLID |
| Hazard Class            | 6.1                      |
| Subsidiary Hazard Class | 8                        |
| Packing Group           | II                       |

**TDG**

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| UN-No                   | UN1751                   |
| Proper Shipping Name    | CHLOROACETIC ACID, SOLID |
| Hazard Class            | 6.1                      |
| Subsidiary Hazard Class | 8                        |
| Packing Group           | II                       |

**IATA**

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| UN-No                   | UN1751                   |
| Proper Shipping Name    | CHLOROACETIC ACID, SOLID |
| Hazard Class            | 6.1                      |
| Subsidiary Hazard Class | 8                        |
| Packing Group           | II                       |

**IMDG/IMO**

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| UN-No                   | UN1751                   |
| Proper Shipping Name    | CHLOROACETIC ACID, SOLID |
| Hazard Class            | 6.1                      |
| Subsidiary Hazard Class | 8                        |
| Packing Group           | II                       |

**15. Regulatory information****United States of America Inventory**

| Component | CAS No | TSCA | TSCA Inventory notification - | TSCA - EPA Regulatory |
|-----------|--------|------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
|-----------|--------|------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|

|                   |         |   | Active-Inactive | Flags |
|-------------------|---------|---|-----------------|-------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | X | ACTIVE          | -     |

**Legend:****TSCA** US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

-' - Not Listed

**TSCA 12(b)** - Notices of Export Not applicable**International Inventories**

X = listed.

| Component         | CAS No  | DSL | NDSL | EINECS    | PICCS | ENCS | ISHL | AICS | IECSC | KECL     |
|-------------------|---------|-----|------|-----------|-------|------|------|------|-------|----------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | X   | -    | 201-178-4 | X     | X    | X    | X    | X     | KE-05492 |

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)**U.S. Federal Regulations****SARA 313**

| Component         | CAS No  | Weight % | SARA 313 - Threshold Values % |
|-------------------|---------|----------|-------------------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | <=100    | 1.0                           |

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories** See section 2 for more information**CWA (Clean Water Act)** Not applicable**Clean Air Act**

| Component         | HAPS Data | Class 1 Ozone Depletors | Class 2 Ozone Depletors |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | X         |                         | -                       |

**OSHA** - Occupational Safety and Health Administration Not applicable**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

| Component         | Hazardous Substances RQs | CERCLA EHS RQs |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 100 lb                   | 100 lb         |

**California Proposition 65** This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

| Component         | Massachusetts | New Jersey | Pennsylvania | Illinois | Rhode Island |
|-------------------|---------------|------------|--------------|----------|--------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | X             | X          | X            | X        | -            |

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ):

DOT Marine Pollutant Y

DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security** This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.**Other International Regulations**

## Mexico - Grade

No information available

## 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) |
|-------------------|---|---|---|
| Chloroacetic acid | -   | Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)               | -   |

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

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

| Component         | CAS No  | OECD HPV | Persistent Organic Pollutant | Ozone Depletion Potential | Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) |
|-------------------|---------|----------|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | Listed   | Not applicable               | Not applicable            | Not applicable                             |

| Component         | CAS No  | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements | Rotterdam Convention (PIC) | Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste) |
|-------------------|---------|---|--|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Chloroacetic acid | 79-11-8 | Not applicable  | Not applicable   | Not applicable             | Not applicable                     |

## 16. Other information

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This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS).

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