

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Dichloroacetic acid

**Cat No. :** 31249

**CAS-No** 79-43-6

**Synonyms** Dichloroethanoic Acid; 2,2-Dichloroacetic Acid; Dichloroacetic Acid

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

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

##### Company

##### **Importer/Distributor**

Fisher Scientific  
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Ottawa, ON K2E 7L6,  
Canada  
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### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

##### **WHMIS 2015 Classification**

Classified as hazardous under the Hazardous Products Regulations (SOR/2015-17)

<b>Corrosive to metals</b>	Category 1
<b>Acute dermal toxicity</b>	Category 3
<b>Skin Corrosion/Irritation</b>	Category 1 A
<b>Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation</b>	Category 1
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	Category 2
<b>Reproductive Toxicity</b>	Category 1B
<b>Effects on or via lactation</b>	Effects on or via lactation
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)</b>	Category 2
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	
<b>Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified</b>	Category 1
Corrosive to the respiratory tract	

#### Label Elements

**Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

May be corrosive to metals

Toxic in contact with skin

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

Suspected of causing cancer

May damage fertility or the unborn child

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

Corrosive to the respiratory tract

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

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

Wear respiratory protection

Keep only in original container

Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

Avoid contact during pregnancy and while nursing

**Response**

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting

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

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

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

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 liner

Store in a dry place

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other Hazards**

Very toxic to aquatic organisms

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Dichloroacetic acid	79-43-6	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Inhalation</b>	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. Remove to fresh air. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms/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>	> 112 °C / > 233.6 °F
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	194 °C / 381.2 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. 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>). Phosgene. 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

**Health**  
4

**Flammability**  
1

**Instability**  
0

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.
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**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** Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Handling**

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 breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

**Storage.**

Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. To maintain product quality: Store under an inert atmosphere. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong bases. Strong reducing agents. Metals. .

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

**Exposure Guidelines**

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH
Dichloroacetic acid	TWA: 0.5 ppm TWA: 2.6 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin	TWA: 0.5 ppm Skin	TWA: 0.5 ppm Skin		TWA: 0.5 ppm Skin		

**Legend**

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**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

**Hand Protection**

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	Splash protection only
Butyl rubber			
Nitrile rubber			
Neoprene			
PVC			

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) 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. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

**Respiratory Protection**

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. 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.

To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

**Recommended Filter type:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 Acid gases filter Type E Yellow conforming to EN14387

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

#### **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.

#### **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

### 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	Light yellow
<b>Odor</b>	pungent
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	1.2 129 g/l
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	9 - 11 °C / 48.2 - 51.8 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	194 °C / 381.2 °F @ 760 mmHg
<b>Flash Point</b>	> 112 °C / > 233.6 °F
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	1.3 mbar @ 44 °C
<b>Vapor Density</b>	4.45
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.560
<b>Solubility</b>	Soluble in water
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	194 °C / 381.2 °F
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	No information available
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C2 H2 Cl2 O2
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	128.94

### 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases, Strong reducing agents, Metals,
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Phosgene, Hydrogen chloride gas
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

### 11. Toxicological information

#### **Acute Toxicity**

#### **Product Information** **Component Information**

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
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Dichloroacetic acid	LD50 = 2820 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 = 510 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	Not listed
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**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

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

**Irritation** Causes severe 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
Dichloroacetic acid	79-43-6	Group 2B	Reasonably Anticipated	A3	X	A3

*IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)*

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*Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans*

*A1 - Known Human Carcinogen*

*A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen*

*A3 - Animal Carcinogen*

*ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)*

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*Mexico - Occupational Exposure Limits - Carcinogens*

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*A1 - Confirmed Human Carcinogen*

*A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen*

*A3 - Confirmed Animal Carcinogen*

*A4 - Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen*

*A5 - Not Suspected as a Human Carcinogen*

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

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

**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** .

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Very toxic to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Dichloroacetic acid	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	106-2600 mg/L 24h

**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
Dichloroacetic acid	0.942

### 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 UN1764  
 Proper Shipping Name DICHLOROACETIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

#### TDG

UN-No UN1764  
 Proper Shipping Name DICHLOROACETIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

#### IATA

UN-No UN1764  
 Proper Shipping Name DICHLOROACETIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

#### IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1764  
 Proper Shipping Name DICHLOROACETIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

### 15. Regulatory information

#### International Inventories

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP
Dichloroacetic acid	79-43-6	X	-	X	ACTIVE	201-207-0	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Dichloroacetic acid	79-43-6	X	KE-10054	X	X	X	X	X	X

#### Legend:

X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

#### Canada

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

#### Other International Regulations

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

## REACH links

<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)
Dichloroacetic acid	79-43-6	Not applicable	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)
Dichloroacetic acid	79-43-6	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

## 16. Other information

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New emergency telephone response service provider.

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