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An inquiry has been received as to the possible toxicity of C-8, ammonium perfluorooctylate, dispersing agent. This has been checked with the Medical Department and the following information is supplied for your guidance and use.

1. C-8 is an organic fluorocarbon and as such should be handled with the same precautions used for any organic chemical compound, namely, avoid excessive exposure of the skin or respiratory system, wash thoroughly after any exposure or direct contact, and do not inhale the dust or fumes.
2. If the same precautions are followed with C-8 as are used for IFE granular powder no trouble should be experienced.
3. The exposure involved in preparing the normal amount for dispersal batch is not considered excessive and it is not necessary to wear a respirator while doing this work. However, a respirator should be worn whenever any excessive C-8 dust is present.

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