

# Hydrofluoric Acid 40% (w/w) Reagent

### **1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product Name: Hydrofluoric Acid 40% (w/w) Reagent

Synonyms/Generic Names: Hydrogen fluoride, Fluoric acid, Fluorhydric acid, Fluorine hydride

Product Number: 2696

Product Use: Industrial, Manufacturing or Laboratory use

Manufacturer: Columbus Chemical Industries, Inc. N4335 Temkin Rd. Columbus, WI. 53925

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### 2. HAZARDS INDENTIFICATION

#### Hazard Not Otherwise Classified (HNOC): None

Signal Words: Danger

**Pictograms:** 

#### **GHS Classification:**

Acute toxicity, Oral	Category 2
Acute toxicity, Inhalation	Category 2
Acute toxicity, Dermal	Category 1
Skin corrosion	Category 1A
Serious eye damage	Category 1

#### GHS Label Elements, including precautionary statements:

#### Hazard Statements:

H300+H310+H330	Fatal if swallowed, if inhaled or in contact with skin.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

#### **Precautionary Statements:**

P260	Do not breathe fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P262	Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.	
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.	
P284	In case of inadequate ventilation, wear respiratory protection.	
P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting.	
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse	
	skin with water/shower.	
	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for	
P304+P340	breathing.	
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove	
	contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.	
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician.	
P361+P364	Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.	
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.	
P403+P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.	
P405	Store locked up.	
P501	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.	

#### **Potential Health Effects**

Eyes	Causes severe eye burns.	
Inhalation	Toxic if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes	
	and upper respiratory tract.	
Skin	May be fatal if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.	
Ingestion	May be fatal if swallowed.	

#### **NFPA Ratings**

Health	4
Flammability	0
Reactivity	1
Specific hazard	Not Available

HMIS Ratings	
Health	3
Fire	0
Reactivity	1
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# **3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Component	Weight %	CAS #	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Hydrofluoric Acid	40-45	7664-39-3	231-634-8	HF	20.01 g/mol
Water	Balance	7732-18-5	231-791-2	H <sub>2</sub> O	18.00 g/mol

# **4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

Eyes	Immediately rinse with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and seek medical attention immediately. Cold water may be used. Keep the eyelids apart and away from the eyeballs during irrigation. Do not use oily drops or ointment or HF skin burn treatments on the eyes. Get medical attention immediately, preferably an eye specialist. Place ice pack on eyes until reaching emergency room.
Inhalation	Move casualty to fresh air and keep at rest. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention.
Skin	Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Cold water may be used. Material is absorbed through the skin. Get medical attention immediately. While waiting for medical attention, it has been shown that flushing the affected area with water for one minute and then massaging HF Antidote Gel into the wound until there is a cessation of pain is a most effective first aid treatment. HF Antidote Gel contains Calcium Gluconate which combines with HF for

	insoluble Calcium Fluoride, thus preventing the extraction of calcium from the body tissue and bones. Another alternative first aid treatment, after thorough washing of the burned area, is to immerse the burned area in a solution of 0.2% iced aqueous Hyamine 1622 or 0.13% iced aqueous Zephiran Chloride. If immersion is impractical, towels could be soaked with a solution of 0.2% iced human solution is impractical.	
	with one of the above solutions and used as compresses for the burn area. Hyamine 1622 is a trade name for Tetracaine Benzethonium Chloride. Zephiran is a trade name for	
	Benzalkonium Chloride.	
Ingestion	Do Not Induce Vomiting! Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If	
	conscious, wash out mouth with water. Get medical attention immediately.	

# 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable (and unsuitable)	Product is not flammable. Use appropriate media for adjacent fire.	
extinguishing media	Cool containers with water, keep away from common metals.	
Special protective equipment	Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protective	
and precautions for firefighters	clothing, including eye protection and boots. Material can react	
	violently with water (spattering and misting) and react with metals to	
	produce flammable hydrogen gas.	
Specific hazards arising from	Emits toxic fumes (hydrogen fluoride) under fire conditions. (See also	
the chemical	Stability and Reactivity section).	

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment.
Environmental precautions	Prevent spillage from entering drains. Any release to the environment may be subject to federal/national or local reporting requirements.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	Neutralize spill. Absorb spill with noncombustible absorbent material, then place in a suitable container for disposal. Clean surfaces thoroughly with water to remove residual contamination. Dispose of all waste and cleanup materials in accordance with regulations.

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### Precautions for safe handling

See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment. Use with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after using. Keep container closed when not in use. Avoid formation of aerosols.

#### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area. Do not store in glass for prolonged periods of time. Keep away from incompatible materials (see section 10 for incompatibilities).

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Occupational exposure controls:

Component	Exposure Limits	Basis	Entity
Hydrofluoric Acid	0.5 ppm 0.41 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TLV	ACGIH
	2 ppm 1.64 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	CEIL	ACGIH

3 ppm	PEL	OSHA
3 ppm 2.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	REL	NIOSH
6 ppm 5 mg/m³	CEIL	NIOSH

TWA: Time Weighted Average over 8 hours of work.

TLV: Threshold Limit Value over 8 hours of work. REL: Recommended Exposure Limit

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit during x minutes.

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health WEEL: Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels

CEIL: Ceiling

#### **Personal Protection**

Eyes	Wear chemical safety glasses or goggles, and face shield.
Inhalation	Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical. If exposure levels are excessive, use an approved respirator.
Skin	Wear nitrile or rubber gloves, and full body (synthetic) covering. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.
Other	Not Available

#### **Other Recommendations**

Provide eyewash stations, quick-drench showers and washing facilities accessible to areas of use and handling. Have supplies and equipment for neutralization and running water available. HF antidote gel for skin burns or other solutions discussed in Section 4, First Aid.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance (physical state, color, etc.)	Clear, colorless liquid
Odor	Not Available
Odor threshold	Not Available
pH	1
Melting point/freezing point	Not Available
Initial boiling point and boiling range	Not Available
Flash point	Not Flammable
Evaporation rate	Not Available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not Flammable
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limit	Not Explosive
Vapor pressure	Not Available
Vapor density	Not Available
Relative density	1.14 at 60°F
Solubility (ies)	Completely soluble in water
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not Available
Auto-ignition temperature	Not Available
Decomposition temperature	Not Available

# **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Chemical Stability	Stable
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Will not occur.
Conditions to Avoid	Uncontrolled addition of water.
Incompatible Materials	Moisture, bases, organic material, metals, glass, ceramics, aluminum, stainless steel, carbonates, cyanides, sulfides.

	Reacts violently with acetic anhydride, ammonium hydroxide, arsenic trioxide, calcium oxide, potassium permanganate,
	sodium, sodium hydroxide, sulfuric acid.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Hydrogen fluoride.

# **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Acute Toxicity

Skin	Not Available
Eyes	Not Available
Respiratory	Not Available
Ingestion	Not Available

#### Carcinogenicity

IARC	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is
	identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
ACGIH	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is
	identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.
NTP	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is
	identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
OSHA	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is
	identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

#### Signs & Symptoms of Exposure

Eyes	Burns, pain, watering eyes.
Inhalation	Burning, choking, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache or
	nausea.
Skin	Burning, irritation
Ingestion	Severe and rapid corrosive burns of the mouth, gullet and gastrointestinal tract, burning, choking, nausea, vomiting and severe pain.

Chronic Toxicity	May cause Fluorosis or hypocalcaemia
Teratogenicity	Not available
Mutagenicity	May cause genetic effects based on animal data.
Embryotoxicity	May cause fetal toxicity based on animal data.
Target Organ(s)	Liver, Kidney
Reproductive Toxicity	Not Available
<b>Respiratory/Skin Sensitization</b>	Not Available

# **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Ecotoxicity

Aquatic Vertebrate	Not Available
Aquatic Invertebrate	Not Available
Terrestrial	Not Available

Persistence and Degradability	Not Available
Bioaccumulative Potential	Not Available
Mobility in Soil	Not Available
PBT and vPvB Assessment	Not Available
Other Adverse Effects	Not Available
Reproductive Toxicity	Not Available
<b>Respiratory/Skin Sensitization</b>	Not Available

# **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste Product or Residues	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary before disposing of waste product or residue.
Product Containers	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary before disposing of waste product container.

The information offered in section 13 is for the product as shipped. Use and/or alterations to the product may significantly change the characteristics of the material and alter the waste classification and proper disposal methods.

### **14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

US DOT	UN1790, Hydrofluoric Acid, 8 (6.1), pg II
TDG	UN1790, HYDROFLUORIC ACID, 8 (6.1), PG II
IMDG	UN1790, HYDROFLUORIC ACID, 8 (6.1), PG II
Marine Pollutant	No
IATA/ICAO	UN1790, Hydrofluoric Acid, 8 (6.1), pg II

# **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA Inventory Status	All ingredients are listed on the TSCA Active
	inventory.
DSL / NDSL	All ingredients are listed on the DSL inventory.
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Rhode Island: Hazardous Substance List	Listed: Hydrofluoric Acid
Massachusetts: Toxic or Hazardous Substance List,	Listed: Hydrofluoric Acid
Right to Know	
Pennsylvania: Hazardous Substance List	Listed: Hydrofluoric Acid
New Jersey: Right to Know Hazardous Substance	Listed: Hydrofluoric Acid
List	
SARA 302	Listed: Hydrofluoric Acid
SARA 304	Listed: Hydrofluoric Acid
SARA 311	Acute Health Hazard.
SARA 312	Acute Health Hazard.
SARA 313	Listed: Hydrofluoric Acid
WHMIS Canada	Class D1A: Poisonous and infectious material -
	Immediate and serious effects – Very toxic.
	Class D2A: Poisonous and infectious material -
	Other effects – Very toxic.
	Class E: Corrosive material.

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Revision	Date
Original	02/07/2017
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