

# **Safety Data Sheet**

# Propionic Acid, Reagent

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

Product Name: Propionic Acid, Reagent

Synonyms/Generic Names: Propanoic acid; Propanyl acid; Acid C3

Product Number: 4560

Product Use: Industrial, Manufacturing or Laboratory use

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

For More Information Call: 920-623-2140 (Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30)

In Case of Emergency Call: CHEMTREC - 800-424-9300 or 703-527-3887 (24 Hours/Day, 7 Days/Week)

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Signal Word: Danger

**Pictograms:** 



#### **GHS Classification:**

Flammable liquids	Category 3
Skin corrosion	Category 1B
Serious eye damage	Category 1
Acute aquatic toxicity	Category 3

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

#### Hazard Statements:

H226	Flammable liquid and vapor.		
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.		
H402	Harmful to aquatic life.		

#### **Precautionary Statements:**

P210	Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.	
P233	Keep container tightly closed.	
P240	Ground/Bond container and receiving equipment.	
P241	Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.	
P242	Use only non-sparking tools.	

Take precautionary measures against static discharge.		
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.		
Wash hands thoroughly after handling.		
Avoid release to the environment.		
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.		
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 INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.		
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact		
lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.		
Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician.		
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.		
In case of fire: Use appropriate media to extinguish.		
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.		
Store locked up.		
Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.		

### **Potential Health Effects**

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

#### NFPA Ratings

Health	3
Flammability	2
Reactivity	0
Specific hazard	Not Available

### HMIS Ratings

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Health	3
Fire	2
Reactivity	0

## **3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Component	Weight %	CAS #	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Propionic Acid	>99	79-09-4	201-176-3	$C_3H_6O_2$	74.08 g/mol

## 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Eyes	Rinse with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and seek medical attention immediately.		
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 immediately.		
Skin	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated		
	clothing and wash using soap. Get medical attention immediately.		
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) extinguishing media	Product is flammable. Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide. Use appropriate media for adjacent fire. Cool unopened containers with water.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protective clothing, including eye protection and boots.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Emits toxic fumes (carbon oxides) under fire conditions. (See also 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. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the buildup of electrostatic charge.

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

Store in cool, dry well ventilated area. Keep away from incompatible materials (see section 10 for incompatibilities).

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Occupational exposure controls: Ventilation and appropriate grounding of containers.

Component	Exposure Limits	Basis	Entity
Propionic Acid	10 ppm 30 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA	ACGIH
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	15 ppm 45 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL	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 15 minutes.

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

WEEL: Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels

CEIL: Ceiling

#### Personal Protection

Eyes	Wear chemical safety glasses or goggles with face shield.	
Inhalation	Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical. If exposure levels are excessive, use an approved respirator.	
Skin	Wear nitrile or rubber gloves, apron or lab coat.	
Other	Not Available	

#### **Other Recommendations**

Provide eyewash stations, quick-drench showers and washing facilities accessible to areas of use and handling.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance (physical state, color, etc.)	Clear, colorless liquid.	
Odor	Slightly pungent odor	
Odor threshold	Not Available	
pH	2.5 at 100 g/L at 20°C (68°F)	
Melting point/freezing point	-24°C (-11°F)	
Initial boiling point and boiling range	141°C (286°F)	
Flash point	52°C (126°F) - closed cup	
Evaporation rate	Not Available	
Flammability (solid, gas)	Flammable	
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limit	Not Available	
Vapor pressure	2.9 mm Hg @ 20°C (68°F)	
Vapor density	2.56 (Air = 1)	
Density	0.99 (Water = 1)	
Solubility (ies)	Soluble in water	
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 0.33	
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	Heat, flames and sparks.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon oxides.

## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

## Acute Toxicity

Propionic Acid	
Skin	Not Available
Eyes	Not Available
Respiratory	Not Available
Ingestion	LD50 Oral - rat - 3,500 - 4,200 mg/kg
Other	LD50 Parenteral - rat - 3,500 mg/kg
	LD50 Intravenous - mouse - 625 mg/kg

#### 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

Skin	Irritation, redness, itchiness.	
Eyes	Irritation, redness, watering eyes, itchiness.	
Respiratory	Irritation, coughing, wheezing. May cause an asthmatic-like bronchitis.	
Ingestion	Irritation, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea.	

Chronic Toxicity	May cause irritation to eyes and respiratory passages to workers briefly exposed to high concentrations.
Teratogenicity	Not Available
Mutagenicity	Not Available
Embryotoxicity	Not Available
Specific Target Organ Toxicity	Not Available
Reproductive Toxicity	Not Available
Respiratory/Skin Sensitization	Not Available

## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Ecotoxicity

Propionic Acid

Aquatic Vertebrate	LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 51.0 - 73.2 mg/l - 96 h
Aquatic Invertebrate	EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 21.0 - 24.6 mg/l - 48 h
Terrestrial	Not Available

Persistence and Degradability Aerobic - Exposure time 10 d	
	Result: 95 % - Readily biodegradable.
<b>Bioaccumulative Potential</b>	Not Available
Mobility in Soil	Not Available
PBT and vPvB Assessment	Not Available
Other Adverse Effects	Harmful to aquatic life.

## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste 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 container or residue.	
Product	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or	
Containers	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	UN3463, Propionic acid, 8, (3), pg II
TDG	UN3463, PROPIONIC ACID, 8, (3), pg II
IMDG	UN3463, PROPIONIC ACID, 8, (3), pg II
Marine Pollutant	No
IATA/ICAO	UN3463, Propionic acid, 8, (3), 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
Massachusetts: Toxic or Hazardous Substance List	Not Listed
New Jersey: Right to Know Hazardous Substance	Listed: Propionic acid
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Pennsylvania: Hazardous Substance List	Listed: Propionic acid
Rhode Island: Hazardous Substance List	Listed: Propionic acid
SARA 302	Not Listed
SARA 304	Not Listed
SARA 311	Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health
	Hazard
SARA 312	Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health
	Hazard
SARA 313	Not Listed
WHMIS Canada	Class B3: Flammable and combustible material-
	Combustible liquid
	Class D1B: Poisonous and infectious material-
	Immediate and serious effects- Toxic
	Class E: Corrosive material

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Revision	Date
Revision 1	08-10-2012
Revision 2	01/29/2015
Revision 3	11/03/2020

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