

**Safety Data Sheet** 

# Silver Nitrate

# **1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product Name: Silver Nitrate

Synonyms/Generic Names: Lunar caustic; Silver (1+) nitrate; Nitric acid, silver (1+) salt

**SDS Number:** 625.00

Product Use: For Educational Use Only

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

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

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

OSHA Hazards: Oxidizer, Carcinogen, Target organ effect, Harmful by ingestion, Corrosive

Target Organs: Eyes, Nerves, Blood, Lungs

Signal Word: Danger

**Pictograms:** 

#### **GHS Classification:**

Oxidizing solids	Category 2
Acute toxicity, Oral	Category 4
Skin corrosion	Category 1B
Serious eye damage	Category 1
Acute aquatic toxicity	Category 1
Chronic aquatic toxicity	Category 4

### GHS Label Elements, including precautionary statements:

#### **Hazard Statements:**

H272	May intensify fire; oxidizer.	
H302	Harmful if swallowed.	
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.	
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.	
H413	May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.	

#### **Precautionary Statements:**

P220	Keep/Store away from clothing/ combustible materials.	
P273	Avoid release to the environment.	
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.	
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 or doctor/ physician.	

#### 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	Harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.	
Ingestion	Harmful if swallowed.	

#### NFPA Ratings

Health	3
Flammability	0
Reactivity	0
Specific hazard	OX

HMIS Ratings	
Health	3
Fire	0
Reactivity	0
Personal	J

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

Component	Weight %	CAS #	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Silver Chloride	100	776188-8	231-853-9	AgNO₃	169.87 g/mol

# **4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

Eyes	Immediately 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)	Product is not flammable. Use appropriate media for adjacent fire. Cool	
extinguishing media	unopened containers with water.	
Special protective equipment	Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protective	
and precautions for firefighters	clothing, including eye protection and boots.	
Specific hazards arising from	Emits toxic fumes (nitrogen oxides, silver oxides) under fire conditions.	
the chemical	Oxidizing solid. (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	Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and place
containment and cleaning up	in suitable, closed containers 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 dusts.

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

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

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Occupational exposure controls:

Component	Exposure Limits	Basis	Entity
Silver Chloride	0.01 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TLV	ACGIH
	0.01 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	PEL	OSHA
	0.01 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	REL	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.	
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.)	Colorless to white crystalline solid.
Odor	Not Available
Odor threshold	Not Available
pH	6 - 7
Melting point/freezing point	212°C (413.6°F)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	440°C (824°F)
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	5.8 (Air = 1)
Density	4.35 (Water = 1)
Solubility (ies)	Easily soluble in cold water, hot water. Soluble in
	diethyl ether. Very slightly soluble in acetone.
	Solubility in water:
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 5
Auto-ignition temperature	Not Available
Decomposition temperature	440°C (824°F)

# **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Chemical Stability	Stable
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Will not occur.
Conditions to Avoid	Light.
Incompatible Materials	Strong reducing agents, alcohols, ammonia, magnesium, strong
	bases.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Nitrogen oxides, silver/silver oxides.

# **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Acute Toxicity

Skin	Not Available
Eyes	Not Available
Respiratory	Not Available
Ingestion	LD50 Oral - rat - 1,173 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, corneal opacification, bleeding conjunctiva,
	burns of conjunctiva, argyria, blindness.
Respiratory	Burning sensation, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache, nausea,
	vomiting.
Ingestion	burns, pain and burning in the mouth, violent abdominal pain, argryia -grayish/blackening of skin and mucous membranes, throat and abdomen, salivation, vomiting of black material, diarrhea, hypermotility, ulcerative gingivitis.

Chronic Toxicity	Not Available
Teratogenicity	Not Available
Mutagenicity	May affect genetic material.
Embryotoxicity	Not Available
Specific Target Organ Toxicity	May affect kidneys (lesions of kidneys, anuria) and lungs.
Reproductive Toxicity	May cause adverse reproductive effects.
Respiratory/Skin Sensitization	Not Available

# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Ecotoxicity

mortality NOEC - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 0.108 mg/l - 96.0 h	
mortality LOEC - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - > 0.007 mg/l - 7.0 d	
LC50 - Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - 0.029 mg/l - 96.0 h	
LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 0.006 mg/l - 96.0 h	
EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 0.0006 mg/l - 48 h	
Not Available	

Persistence and Degradability	Not Available	
Bioaccumulative Potential	Lepomis macrochirus - 60 d	
	Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 120	
Mobility in Soil	Not Available	
PBT and vPvB Assessment	Not Available	
Other Adverse Effects	Very toxic 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 products or residues.
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	UN1493, Silver nitrate, 5.1, pg II
TDG	UN1493, Silver nitrate, 5.1, pg II
IMDG	UN1493, Silver nitrate, 5.1, pg II
Marine Pollutant	No
IATA/ICAO	UN1493, Silver nitrate, 5.1, pg II

### **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA Inventory Status	All ingredients are listed on the TSCA inventory.
DSCL (EEC)	All ingredients are listed on the DSCL inventory.
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
SARA 302	Not Listed
SARA 304	Not Listed
SARA 311	Silver nitrate
SARA 312	Silver nitrate
SARA 313	Listed: Silver nitrate
WHMIS Canada	CLASS C: Oxidizing material.
	CLASS E: Corrosive solid.

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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Revision 1	02/04/2013

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