Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid

Safety Data Sheet

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SECTION 1 Identification

1.1. Product identifier

Product form	:	Substance
Substance name	:	Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid
CAS-No.	:	355-46-4
Product code	:	6164-3-2T
Formula	:	C6HF13O3S

1.2. Other means of identification

Synonyms	:	1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4,5,5,6,6,6-Tridecafluorohexane-1-sulfonic acid
Other means of identification	:	MFCD00042453

1.3. Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Use of the substance/mixture	:	Laboratory chemicals,Manufacture of substances,Scientific research and development

1.4. Supplier's details

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Alachua, FL, Alachua, 32615
United States of America
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1.5. Emergency phone number

Emergency number	:	(844) 523-4086 (3E Company - Account 10069)

SECTION 2 Hazard Identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS US classification

Acute toxicity (oral), Category 4	H302	Harmful if swallowed.
Skin corrosion/irritation, Category 1B	H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Category 1	H318	Causes serious eye damage.
Specific target organ toxicity – Single exposure, Category 3, Respiratory tract irritation	H335	May cause respiratory irritation.

Full text of H statements : see section 16

2.2. Label elements

GHS US labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS US) :

Signal word (GHS US) : Danger

Hazard statements (GHS US) : H302 - Harmful if swallowed
H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

Precautionary statements (GHS US) : P260 - Do not breathe dust, mist, spray.
P264 - Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling.
P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280 - Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection, face protection, and hearing protection.
P301+P312 - If swallowed: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell
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.
P304+P340 - If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for 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 or doctor/ physician
P321 - Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instruction on this label).
P330 - Rinse mouth.
P363 - Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P403+P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P405 - Store locked up.
P501 - Dispose of contents and/or container to hazardous or special waste collection point, in accordance with local, regional, national and/or international regulations.

2.3. Hazards associated with known or reasonably anticipated uses

No additional information available

2.4. Hazards not otherwise classified

No additional information available

2.5. Unknown acute toxicity

No additional information available

SECTION 3 Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substances

Substance type : Mono-constituent

Name	Product identifier	%	GHS US classification
Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (Main constituent)	CAS-No.: 355-46-4	≤ 100	Acute Tox. 4 (Oral), H302 Skin Corr. 1B, H314 Eye Dam. 1, H318 STOT SE 3, H335

Full text of hazard classes and H-statements : see section 16

3.2. Mixtures

Not applicable

SECTION 4 First aid measures

4.1. Description of necessary first-aid measures

First-aid measures general : In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible). Move the affected personnel away from the contaminated area.

First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

First-aid measures after skin contact : Wash with plenty of soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

First-aid measures after eye contact : Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

First-aid measures after ingestion : Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth out with water. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

4.2. Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Symptoms/effects : The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11.

Symptoms/effects after inhalation : Material is destructive to tissue of the mucuous membranes and upper respiratory tract. Cough, shortness of breath, headache, nausea.

4.3. Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

Other medical advice or treatment : Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

5.1. Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Alcohol resistant foam. Carbon dioxide. Dry powder. Water spray. Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

5.2. Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Fire hazard : Thermal decomposition generates: Carbon oxides. Hydrogen fluoride. Sulfur oxides.

5.3. Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Firefighting instructions : In case of fire: Evacuate area.

Protection during firefighting : Wear gas tight chemically protective clothing in combination with self contained breathing apparatus. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".

SECTION 6 Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

General measures : Evacuate unnecessary personnel. Ensure adequate air ventilation. Do not breathe dust.

For non-emergency personnel

Emergency procedures : Only qualified personnel equipped with suitable protective equipment may intervene.

For emergency responders

Protective equipment : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".

Environmental precautions : This material is considered to be a “Forever chemical”. Prevent any possible release to the environment. Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters. Contain any spills with dikes or absorbents to prevent migration and entry into drains, sewers, waterways, or soil. Do not use where release to drains (sewer) and/or surface water cannot be prevented.

6.2. Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

For containment : Stop leak if safe to do so.

Methods for cleaning up : Sweep or shovel spills into appropriate container for disposal. Minimize generation of dust.

Other information : For disposal of solid materials or residues refer to section 13 : "Disposal considerations".

For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection"

SECTION 7 Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling	:	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Ensure good ventilation of the work station. Do not breathe dust, mist, spray. Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
Hygiene measures	:	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including incompatibilities

Technical measures	:	Comply with applicable regulations.
Storage conditions	:	Keep container closed when not in use. Keep away from ignition sources. Keep contents under inert gas.
Storage area	:	Store ONLY in areas where release to drains (sewer) and/or surface water can be prevented. This material is considered to be a “Forever chemical”. Any possible release to the environment must be prevented. Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters.
Incompatible materials	:	Refer to Section 10 on Incompatible Materials.

SECTION 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

No additional information available

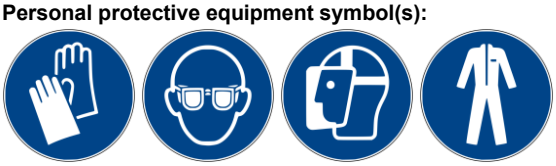
8.2. Appropiate engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls	:	Ensure good ventilation of the work station. Emergency eye wash fountains and safety showers should be available in the immediate vicinity of any potential exposure.

8.3. Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Hand protection:
protective gloves. 29 CFR 1910.138: Hand Protection
Eye protection:
Chemical goggles or safety glasses. Face shield. 29 CFR 1910.133: Eye and Face Protection
Skin and body protection:
Wear suitable protective clothing
Respiratory protection:
In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection. 29 CFR 1910.134: Respiratory Protection

Personal protective equipment symbol(s):



Other information:

Safety shoes. 29 CFR 1910.136: Foot Protection.

SECTION 9 Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	:	Solid
Appearance	:	Low melting solid.
Color	:	No data available
Odor	:	No data available
Odor threshold	:	No data available
pH	:	No data available
Melting point	:	No data available
Freezing point	:	No data available
Boiling point	:	130 – 134 °C
Flash point	:	No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	:	No data available
Vapor pressure	:	No data available
Relative vapor density at 20 °C	:	No data available
Relative density	:	No data available
Molecular mass	:	400.11 g/mol
Solubility	:	No data available
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	:	No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	:	No data available
Decomposition temperature	:	No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	:	No data available
Explosion limits	:	No data available
Particle characteristics	:	No data available

9.2. Data relevant with regard to physical hazard classes (supplemental)

No additional information available

SECTION 10 Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

No additional information available

10.2. Chemical stability

The product is stable at normal handling and storage conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No additional information available

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Keep away from heat, sparks and flame.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong bases. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong reducing agents.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced. Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire, see Section 5.

SECTION 11 Toxicological information

11.1. Likely routes of exposure

Acute toxicity (oral) : Harmful if swallowed.
Acute toxicity (dermal) : No data available
Acute toxicity (inhalation) : No data available

Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (355-46-4)	
ATE US (oral)	500 mg/kg body weight

Skin corrosion/irritation : Causes severe skin burns.

Serious eye damage/irritation : Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitization : No data available
Germ cell mutagenicity : No data available

Carcinogenicity : No data available

Reproductive toxicity : No data available
STOT-single exposure : May cause respiratory irritation.
STOT-repeated exposure : No data available
Aspiration hazard : No data available
Symptoms/effects : The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11.
Symptoms/effects after inhalation : Material is destructive to tissue of the mucuous membranes and upper respiratory tract. Cough, shortness of breath, headache, nausea.

SECTION 12 Ecological information

12.1. Ecotoxicity

Hazardous to the aquatic environment, short–term (acute) : No data available
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long–term (chronic) : No data available

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (355-46-4)	
Persistence and degradability	Persistent, bioaccumulative.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (355-46-4)	
Bioaccumulative potential	Perfluorinated alkanes (PFAs, “forever chemicals”) are long lasting, widely used chemicals that break down slowly over time. The potential hazards of PFAs are under investigation and have not been established.

12.4. Mobility in soil

No additional information available

12.5. Other adverse effects

Ozone : No data available
Fluorinated greenhouse gases : No

SECTION 13 Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods	:	Remove to an authorized incinerator equipped with an afterburner and a flue gas scrubber.
Sewage disposal recommendations	:	See the EPA's Interim Guidance on PFAS Destruction and Disposal.
Product/Packaging disposal recommendations	:	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with licensed collector's sorting instructions.
Additional information	:	Recycle the material as far as possible.
Ecological information	:	This material is considered to be a "Forever chemical". Prevent any possible release to the environment. Do not discharge into drains. Take all necessary measures to prevent accidental discharge of products into drains and waterways due to the rupture of containers or transfer systems, or emergency response.

SECTION 14 Transport information

14.1. UN number

UN-No.(DOT)	:	UN3261
UN-No. (TDG)	:	UN3261
UN-No. (IMDG)	:	3261
UN-No. (IATA)	:	3261

14.2. UN Proper Shipping Name

Proper Shipping Name (DOT)	:	Corrosive solid, acidic, organic, n.o.s.
Proper Shipping Name (TDG)	:	CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.
Proper Shipping Name (IMDG)	:	CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.
Proper Shipping Name (IATA)	:	Corrosive solid, acidic, organic, n.o.s.

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

DOT

Transport hazard class(es) (DOT) : 8

Hazard labels (DOT) : 8

TDG

Transport hazard class(es) (TDG) : 8

Hazard labels (TDG) : 8

IMDG

Transport hazard class(es) (IMDG) : 8

Hazard labels (IMDG) : 8

IATA

Transport hazard class(es) (IATA) : 8

Hazard labels (IATA) : 8

14.4. Packing group

Packing group (DOT)	:	II
Packing group (TDG)	:	II
Packing group (IMDG)	:	II
Packing group (IATA)	:	II

14.5. Environmental hazards

Other information	:	No supplementary information available.

14.6. Transport in bulk

Not applicable

14.7. Special precautions for user

DOT

UN-No.(DOT)	:	UN3261
DOT Special Provisions (49 CFR 172.102)	:	IB8 - Authorized IBCs: Metal (11A, 11B, 11N, 21A, 21B, 21N, 31A, 31B and 31N); Rigid plastics (11H1, 11H2, 21H1, 21H2, 31H1 and 31H2); Composite (11HZ1, 11HZ2, 21HZ1, 21HZ2, 31HZ1 and 31HZ2); Fiberboard (11G); Wooden (11C, 11D and 11F); Flexible (13H1, 13H2, 13H3, 13H4, 13H5, 13L1, 13L2, 13L3, 13L4, 13M1 or 13M2). IP2 - When IBCs other than metal or rigid plastics IBCs are used, they must be offered for transportation in a closed freight container or a closed transport vehicle. IP4 - Flexible, fiberboard or wooden IBCs must be sift-proof and water-resistant or be fitted with a sift-proof and water-resistant liner. T3 - 2.65 178.274(d)(2) Normal..... 178.275(d)(2) TP33 - The portable tank instruction assigned for this substance applies for granular and powdered solids and for solids which are filled and discharged at temperatures above their melting point which are cooled and transported as a solid mass. Solid substances transported or offered for transport above their melting point are authorized for transportation in portable tanks conforming to the provisions of portable tank instruction T4 for solid substances of packing group III or T7 for solid substances of packing group II, unless a tank with more stringent requirements for minimum shell thickness, maximum allowable working pressure, pressure-relief devices or bottom outlets are assigned in which case the more stringent tank instruction and special provisions shall apply. Filling limits must be in accordance with portable tank special provision TP3. Solids meeting the definition of an elevated temperature material must be transported in accordance with the applicable requirements of this subchapter.
DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx)	:	154
DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx)	:	212
DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx)	:	240
DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail (49 CFR 173.27)	:	15 kg
DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 CFR 175.75)	:	50 kg
DOT Vessel Stowage Location	:	B - (i) The material may be stowed ‘‘on deck’’ or ‘‘under deck’’ on a cargo vessel and on a passenger vessel carrying a number of passengers limited to not more than the larger of 25 passengers, or one passenger per each 3 m of overall vessel length; and (ii) ‘‘On deck only’’ on passenger vessels in which the number of passengers specified in paragraph (k)(2)(i) of this section is exceeded.
DOT Vessel Stowage Other	:	53 - Stow ‘‘separated from’’ alkaline compounds,58 - Stow ‘‘separated from’’ cyanides

TDG

UN-No. (TDG)	:	UN3261

TDG Special Provisions	:	16 - 1) The technical name of the most dangerous substance related to the primary class must be shown, in parentheses, on the shipping document following the shipping name in accordance with clause 3.5(1)(c)(i)(A) of Part 3, Documentation. The technical name must also be shown, in parentheses, on a small means of containment or on a tag following the shipping name in accordance with subsections 4.11(2) and (3) of Part 4, Dangerous Goods Safety Marks. 2) subsection (1), the technical name for the following dangerous goods is not required to be shown on a shipping document or on a small means of containment when Canadian law for domestic transport or an international convention for international transport prohibits the disclosure of the technical: a) UN1544, ALKALOID SALTS, SOLID, N.O.S. or ALKALOIDS, SOLID, N.O.S; b) UN1851, MEDICINE, LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S; c) UN3140, ALKALOID SALTS, LIQUID, N.O.S. or ALKALOIDS, LIQUID, N.O.S; d) UN3248, MEDICINE, LIQUID, FLAMMABLE, TOXIC, N.O.S; or e) UN3249, MEDICINE, SOLID, TOXIC, N.O.S. An example in Canada is the “Food and Drugs Act”.
Explosive Limit and Limited Quantity Index	:	1 kg
Excepted quantities (TDG)	:	E2
Passenger Carrying Road Vehicle or Passenger Carrying Railway Vehicle Index	:	15 kg
Emergency Response Guide (ERG) Number	:	154

IMDG

Special provision (IMDG)	:	274
Limited quantities (IMDG)	:	1 kg
Excepted quantities (IMDG)	:	E2
Packing instructions (IMDG)	:	P002
IBC packing instructions (IMDG)	:	IBC08
IBC special provisions (IMDG)	:	B21, B4
Tank instructions (IMDG)	:	T3
Tank special provisions (IMDG)	:	TP33
EmS-No. (Fire)	:	F-A - FIRE SCHEDULE Alfa - GENERAL FIRE SCHEDULE
EmS-No. (Spillage)	:	S-B - SPILLAGE SCHEDULE Bravo - CORROSIVE SUBSTANCES
Stowage category (IMDG)	:	B
Segregation (IMDG)	:	SGG1, SG36, SG49
Properties and observations (IMDG)	:	Causes burns to skin, eyes and mucous membranes.

IATA

Special provision (IATA)	:	A3, A803
PCA Excepted quantities (IATA)	:	E2
PCA Limited quantities (IATA)	:	Y844
PCA limited quantity max net quantity (IATA)	:	5kg
PCA packing instructions (IATA)	:	859
PCA max net quantity (IATA)	:	15kg
CAO packing instructions (IATA)	:	863
CAO max net quantity (IATA)	:	50kg
ERG code (IATA)	:	8L

SECTION 15 Regulatory information

15.1. Federal regulations

All components of this product are present and listed as Active on the United States Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory, except for:

Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid	CAS-No. 355-46-4	100%

15.2. International regulations

CANADA

No additional information available

EU-Regulations

No additional information available

National regulations

No additional information available

15.3. State regulations

California Proposition 65 - This product does not contain any substances known to the state of California to cause cancer, developmental and/or reproductive harm

SECTION 16 Other information

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Full text of hazard classes and H-statements	
H302	Harmful if swallowed
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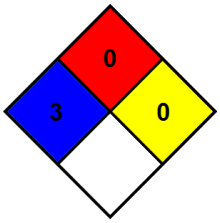
H335	May cause respiratory irritation

NFPA health hazard : 3 - Materials that, under emergency conditions, can cause serious or permanent injury.

NFPA fire hazard : 0 - Materials that will not burn under typical fire conditions, including intrinsically noncombustible materials such as concrete, stone, and sand.

NFPA reactivity : 0 - Material that in themselves are normally stable, even under fire conditions.



Hazard Rating

Health : 3 Serious Hazard - Major injury likely unless prompt action is taken and medical treatment is given

Flammability : 0 Minimal Hazard - Materials that will not burn

Physical : 0 Minimal Hazard - Materials that are normally stable, even under fire conditions, and will NOT react with water, polymerize, decompose, condense, or self-react. Non-Explosives.

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