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SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Chlorhexidine (20%) Formulation

Manufacturer or supplier's details

Company : MSD

Address : 91-105 Harpin Street

Bendigo 3550, Victoria Austrailia

Telephone : 1 800 033 461

Emergency telephone number : Poisons Information Centre: Phone 13 11 26

E-mail address : EHSDATASTEWARD@msd.com

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use : Veterinary product Restrictions on use : Not applicable

SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS Classification

Serious eye damage/eye irri-

ation

: Category 2B

Specific target organ toxicity - :

repeated exposure

Category 2 (Liver)

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms :

Signal word : Warning

Hazard statements : H320 Causes eye irritation.

H373 May cause damage to organs (Liver) through prolonged

or repeated exposure.

Precautionary statements : Prevention:

P260 Do not breathe mist or vapours. P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

Response:

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and



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easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P314 Get medical advice/ attention if you feel unwell.

P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ at-

tention.

Disposal:

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste

disposal plant.

Other hazards which do not result in classification

None known.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Mixture

Components

Chemical name	CAS-No.	Concentration (% w/w)	
Chlorhexidine	55-56-1	>= 10 -< 30	

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice : In the case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical ad-

vice immediately.

When symptoms persist or in all cases of doubt seek medical

advice.

If inhaled : If inhaled, remove to fresh air.

Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

In case of skin contact : In case of contact, immediately flush skin with soap and plenty

of water.

Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

In case of eye contact : In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water

for at least 15 minutes.

If easy to do, remove contact lens, if worn.

Get medical attention.

If swallowed : If swallowed, DO NOT induce vomiting.

Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Rinse mouth thoroughly with water.

Most important symptoms

and effects, both acute and

delayed

Causes eye irritation.

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated

exposure.

Protection of first-aiders : First Aid responders should pay attention to self-protection,

and use the recommended personal protective equipment when the potential for exposure exists (see section 8).

Notes to physician : Treat symptomatically and supportively.

SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray

Alcohol-resistant foam



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Carbon dioxide (CO2)

Dry chemical

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

None known.

Specific hazards during fire-

fighting

Exposure to combustion products may be a hazard to health.

Hazardous combustion prod- :

ucts

Carbon oxides

Specific extinguishing meth-

ods

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local cir-

cumstances and the surrounding environment. Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

Remove undamaged containers from fire area if it is safe to do

SO.

Evacuate area.

Special protective equipment:

for firefighters

In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

Use personal protective equipment.

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SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protec: :

tive equipment and emer-

gency procedures

Use personal protective equipment.

Follow safe handling advice (see section 7) and personal pro-

tective equipment recommendations (see section 8).

Environmental precautions : Avoid release to the environment.

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

Prevent spreading over a wide area (e.g. by containment or oil

barriers).

Retain and dispose of contaminated wash water.

Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages

cannot be contained.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material.

For large spills, provide dyking or other appropriate containment to keep material from spreading. If dyked material can be pumped, store recovered material in appropriate container. Clean up remaining materials from spill with suitable absor-

bent.

Local or national regulations may apply to releases and disposal of this material, as well as those materials and items employed in the cleanup of releases. You will need to deter-

mine which regulations are applicable.

Sections 13 and 15 of this SDS provide information regarding

certain local or national requirements.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Technical measures : See Engineering measures under EXPOSURE

CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION section.

Local/Total ventilation Advice on safe handling Use only with adequate ventilation. Do not breathe mist or vapours.



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Do not swallow. Do not get in eyes.

Avoid prolonged or repeated contact with skin.

Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice, based on the results of the workplace exposure as-

sessment

Take care to prevent spills, waste and minimize release to the

environment.

Hygiene measures : If exposure to chemical is likely during typical use, provide eye

flushing systems and safety showers close to the working

place

When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use.

The effective operation of a facility should include review of engineering controls, proper personal protective equipment, appropriate degowning and decontamination procedures, industrial hygiene monitoring, medical surveillance and the

use of administrative controls.

Conditions for safe storage : Keep in properly labelled containers.

Store in accordance with the particular national regulations.

Materials to avoid : Do not store with the following product types:

Strong oxidizing agents

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis	
Chlorhexidine	55-56-1	TWA	40 μg/m3 (OEB 3)	Internal	
	Further information: RSEN				
		Wipe limit	400 μg/100 cm2	Internal	

Engineering measures : Use appropriate engineering controls and manufacturing

technologies to control airborne concentrations (e.g., drip-

less quick connections).

All engineering controls should be implemented by facility design and operated in accordance with GMP principles to

protect products, workers, and the environment.

Containment technologies suitable for controlling compounds are required to control at source and to prevent migration of the compound to uncontrolled areas (e.g., open-face con-

tainment devices).

Minimize open handling.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : If adequate local exhaust ventilation is not available or expo-

sure assessment demonstrates exposures outside the rec-

ommended guidelines, use respiratory protection.



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Filter type
Hand protection

: Particulates type

Material : Chemical-resistant gloves

Remarks : Consider double gloving.

Eye protection : Wear safety glasses with side shields or goggles.

If the work environment or activity involves dusty conditions,

mists or aerosols, wear the appropriate goggles.

Wear a faceshield or other full face protection if there is a potential for direct contact to the face with dusts, mists, or

aerosols.

Skin and body protection : Work uniform or laboratory coat.

Additional body garments should be used based upon the task being performed (e.g., sleevelets, apron, gauntlets, dis-

posable suits) to avoid exposed skin surfaces.

Use appropriate degowning techniques to remove potentially

contaminated clothing.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance : liquid

Colour : clear

Odour : odourless

Odour Threshold : No data available

pH : No data available

Melting point/freezing point : No data available

Initial boiling point and boiling

range

No data available

Flash point : No data available

Evaporation rate : No data available

Flammability (solid, gas) : Not applicable

Flammability (liquids) : No data available

Upper explosion limit / Upper

flammability limit

No data available

Lower explosion limit / Lower

flammability limit

No data available

Vapour pressure : No data available

Relative vapour density : No data available



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Relative density : No data available

Density : 1.06 - 1.07 g/cm³

Solubility(ies)

Water solubility : soluble

Partition coefficient: n-

octanol/water

Not applicable

Auto-ignition temperature : No data available

Decomposition temperature : No data available

Viscosity

Viscosity, kinematic : 147 mm2/s

Explosive properties : Not explosive

Oxidizing properties : The substance or mixture is not classified as oxidizing.

Molecular weight : No data available

Particle size : Not applicable

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity : Not classified as a reactivity hazard.
Chemical stability : Stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reac- :

tions

Can react with strong oxidizing agents.

Conditions to avoid : None known. Incompatible materials : Oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition

products

No hazardous decomposition products are known.

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Exposure routes : Inhalation

Skin contact Ingestion Eye contact

Acute toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

Product:

Acute oral toxicity : Acute toxicity estimate: > 2,000 mg/kg

Method: Calculation method



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Components:

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Acute oral toxicity : LD50 Oral (Mouse): 1,260 mg/kg

LD50 Oral (Rabbit): 1,100 mg/kg

LD50 Oral (Rat): 2,000 mg/kg

Acute toxicity (other routes of :

administration)

LD50 (Rat): 21 mg/kg

Application Route: Intravenous

Skin corrosion/irritation

Not classified based on available information.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Causes eye irritation.

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

Species : Rabbit

Result : Mild eye irritation

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Skin sensitisation

Not classified based on available information.

Respiratory sensitisation

Not classified based on available information.

Chronic toxicity

Germ cell mutagenicity

Not classified based on available information.

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

Genotoxicity in vitro : Test Type: Bacterial reverse mutation assay (AMES)

Result: negative

Test Type: Chromosomal aberration
Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells

Result: negative

Genotoxicity in vivo : Test Type: dominant lethal test

Species: Mouse Result: negative

Test Type: Cytogenetic assay



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Species: Hamster Result: negative

Carcinogenicity

Not classified based on available information.

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

Species : Rat

Application Route : oral (drinking water)

Exposure time : 2 Years Frequency of Treatment : daily

NOAEL : 38 mg/kg body weight

Result : negative

Species : Rat

Application Route : oral (drinking water)

Exposure time : 2 Years Frequency of Treatment : daily

NOAEL : 158 mg/kg body weight

Result : negative

Reproductive toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

Effects on fertility : Species: Rat

Fertility: NOAEL: 100 mg/kg body weight

Effects on foetal develop-

ment

Species: Rat

Developmental Toxicity: NOAEL: 300 mg/kg body weight

Species: Rabbit

Developmental Toxicity: NOAEL: 40 mg/kg body weight

STOT - single exposure

Not classified based on available information.

STOT - repeated exposure

May cause damage to organs (Liver) through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

Target Organs : Liver

Assessment : May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated

exposure.



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Repeated dose toxicity

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

Species Rat

NOAEL 158 mg/kg **Application Route** Oral Exposure time 2 yr

Species Rabbit 250 mg/kg LOAEL Application Route Dermal Exposure time 13 Weeks **Target Organs** Skin, Liver

Aspiration toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

Experience with human exposure

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

General Information Symptoms: Headache Inhalation Target Organs: Lungs

Symptoms: Asthmatic appearance, bronchospasm, discomfort

in the chest, upper respiratory tract infection

Ingestion Target Organs: Gastrointestinal tract

Symptoms: Gastrointestinal disturbance, Gastrointestinal tract

damage

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

Toxicity to fish (Fish): 2.088 mg/l

Exposure time: 96 h

Method: ECOSAR (Ecological Structure Activity Relation-

ships)

Toxicity to daphnia and other :

aquatic invertebrates

EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 0.222 mg/l

Exposure time: 48 h

Method: ECOSAR (Ecological Structure Activity Relation-

ships)

Toxicity to algae/aquatic

plants

ErC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): 1.124

mg/l

End point: Growth rate



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Exposure time: 96 hrs

Method: ECOSAR (Ecological Structure Activity Relation-

ships)

Persistence and degradability

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

Biodegradability : Remarks: Not inherently biodegradable.

Bioaccumulative potential

Components:

Chlorhexidine:

Partition coefficient: n-

octanol/water

log Pow: 4.85

Mobility in soil

No data available

Other adverse effects

No data available

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal methods

Waste from residues : Do not dispose of waste into sewer.

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

Contaminated packaging : Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste han-

dling site for recycling or disposal.

If not otherwise specified: Dispose of as unused product.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

International Regulations

UNRTDG

UN number : UN 3082

Proper shipping name : ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID,

N.O.S.

(Chlorhexidine)

Class : 9
Packing group : III
Labels : 9
Environmentally hazardous : yes

IATA-DGR

UN/ID No. : UN 3082

Proper shipping name : Environmentally hazardous substance, liquid, n.o.s.

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Class : 9 Packing group : III

Labels : Miscellaneous

Packing instruction (cargo : 964

aircraft)

Packing instruction (passen-

ger aircraft)

: 964

Environmentally hazardous : yes

IMDG-Code

UN number : UN 3082

Proper shipping name : ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID,

N.O.S.

(Chlorhexidine)

Class : 9
Packing group : III
Labels : 9
EmS Code : F-A, S-F
Marine pollutant : yes

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable for product as supplied.

National Regulations

ADG

UN number : UN 3082

Proper shipping name : ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID,

N.O.S.

(Chlorhexidine)

Class : 9
Packing group : III
Labels : 9
Hazchem Code : •3Z
Environmentally hazardous : yes

Special precautions for user

The transport classification(s) provided herein are for informational purposes only, and solely based upon the properties of the unpackaged material as it is described within this Safety Data Sheet. Transportation classifications may vary by mode of transportation, package sizes, and variations in regional or country regulations.

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Prohibition/Licensing Requirements : There is no applicable prohibition,

authorisation and restricted use requirements, including for carcinogens referred to in Schedule 10 of the model WHS Act and Regula-

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The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:

DSL : not determined

AICS : not determined

IECSC : not determined

SECTION 16: ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Further information

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Sources of key data used to : Internal technical data, data from raw material SDSs, OECD

compile the Safety Data eChem Portal search results and European Chemicals Agen-

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Full text of other abbreviations

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ANTT - National Agency for Transport by Land of Brazil; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CMR Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China: IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods: IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; Nch - Chilean Norm; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NOM - Official Mexican Norm; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TDG - Transportation of Dangerous Goods; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recom-



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mendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative; WHMIS - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

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