

# Material Safety Data Sheet

HAZARD WARNINGS	RISK PHRASES	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING
	<b>Combustible material; avoid heat and sources of ignition.</b> <b>Corrosive to eyes and skin on contact.</b>	

## Section I. Chemical Product and Company Identification

Chemical Name	<b>Oxalic Acid Dimethyl Ester</b>		
Catalog Number	O0080	Supplier	TCl America 9211 N. Harborage St. Portland OR 1-800-423-8616
Synonym	Dimethyl Oxalate		
Chemical Formula	(-COOCH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>		
CAS Number	553-90-2	In case of Emergency Call	<b>Chemtrec®</b> <b>(800) 424-9300 (U.S.)</b> <b>(703) 527-3887 (International)</b>

## Section II. Composition and Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Percent (%)	TLV/PEL	Toxicology Data
Oxalic Acid Dimethyl Ester	553-90-2	Min. 99.0 (GC)	Not available.	Rat LD (oral) >500 mg/kg

## Section III. Hazards Identification

Acute Health Effects	Corrosive to skin, eyes, and respiratory system. Liquid or spray mist may produce tissue damage, particularly in mucous membranes of the eyes, mouth and respiratory tract. Skin contact may produce burns. Eye contact can result in corneal damage or blindness. Inhalation of the spray mist may produce severe irritation of respiratory tract, characterized by coughing, choking, or shortness of breath. Corrosive materials may cause serious injury if ingested. Follow safe industrial hygiene practices and always wear proper protective equipment when handling this compound.
Chronic Health Effects	<b>CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available. <b>MUTAGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available. <b>TERATOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available. <b>DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY</b> Not available. Repeated exposure of the eyes to a low level of dust can produce eye irritation. Repeated skin exposure can produce local skin destruction, or dermatitis. Repeated inhalation of dust can produce varying degree of respiratory irritation or lung damage.

## Section IV. First Aid Measures

Eye Contact	Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention.
Inhalation	Evacuate the victim to a safe area as soon as possible. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. If the victim is not breathing, perform artificial respiration. WARNING: It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation when the inhaled material is toxic, infectious or corrosive. Seek immediate medical attention and, if possible, show the chemical label. Treat symptomatically and supportively.
Ingestion	DO NOT induce vomiting.. Lower the head so that the vomit will not reenter the mouth and throat. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Examine the lips and mouth to ascertain whether the tissues are damaged, a possible indication that the toxic material was ingested; the absence of such signs, however, is not conclusive. SEEK IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION in case of ingestion of a radioactive material.

## Section V. Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability	Combustible.	Auto-Ignition	Not available.
Flash Points	75°C (167°F).	Flammable Limits	Not available.
Combustion Products	These products are toxic carbon oxides (CO, CO <sub>2</sub> ).		
Fire Hazards	Not available.		
Explosion Hazards	Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.		

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Emergency phone number (800) 424-9300

Fire Fighting Media  
and Instructions

SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder.  
LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. DO NOT use water jet.

### Section VI. Accidental Release Measures

Spill Cleanup  
Instructions

Corrosive solid.  
Stop leak if without risk. DO NOT get water inside container. DO NOT touch spilled material. Use water spray to reduce vapors. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed. Eliminate all sources of ignition. Consult federal, state, and/or local authorities for assistance on disposal.

### Section VII. Handling and Storage

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CORROSIVE. Keep container dry. Keep away from heat. Mechanical exhaust required. When not in use, tightly seal the container and store in a dry, cool place. Avoid excessive heat and light. DO NOT ingest. Do not breathe dust. Never add water to this product. Wear suitable protective clothing. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Treat symptomatically and supportively.  
Always store away from incompatible compounds such as oxidizing agents, reducing agents, acids, alkalis (bases).

### Section VIII. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

Personal Protection

Face shield. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator must be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.



Exposure Limits

Not available.

### Section IX. Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state @ 20°C	White crystals.	Solubility	Soluble in 17 parts water. Soluble in alcohol, ether.
Specific Gravity	1.148		
Molecular Weight	118.09	Partition Coefficient	Not available.
Boiling Point	163.5°C (326.3°F)	Vapor Pressure	Not applicable.
Melting Point	50 to 54°C (122 to 129.2°F)	Vapor Density	Not available.
Refractive Index	1.379 @ 82.1°C	Volatility	Not available.
Critical Temperature	Not available.	Odor	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.	Taste	Not available.

### Section X. Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability	This material is stable if stored under proper conditions. (See Section VII for instructions)
Conditions of Instability	Avoid excessive heat and light.
Incompatibilities	Reactive with oxidizing agents, reducing agents, acids, alkalis (bases).

### Section XI. Toxicological Information

RTECS Number	RO2850000
Routes of Exposure	Eye Contact. Ingestion. inhalation. Skin contact.
Toxicity Data	Rat LD (oral) >500 mg/kg
Chronic Toxic Effects	<b>CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available. <b>MUTAGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available. <b>TERATOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available. <b>DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY</b> Not available. Repeated exposure of the eyes to a low level of dust can produce eye irritation. Repeated skin exposure can produce local skin destruction, or dermatitis. Repeated inhalation of dust can produce varying degree of respiratory irritation or lung damage.
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**Section XII. Ecological Information**

Ecotoxicity	Not available.
Environmental Fate	Not available.

**Section XIII. Disposal Considerations**

Waste Disposal	Recycle to process, if possible. Consult your local regional authorities. You may be able to dissolve or mix material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber system. Observe all federal, state and local regulations when disposing of the substance.
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**Section XIV. Transport Information**

DOT Classification	Class 8: Corrosive material
PIN Number	UN1759
Proper Shipping Name	Corrosive solids n.o.s.
Packing Group (PG)	III
DOT Pictograms	

**Section XV. Other Regulatory Information and Pictograms**

TSCA Chemical Inventory (EPA)	This compound is <b>ON</b> the EPA Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory list.
WHMIS Classification (Canada)	On DSL CLASS E: Corrosive solid.
EINECS Number (EEC)	209-053-9
EEC Risk Statements	R34- Causes burns.
Japanese Regulatory Data	ENCS No.: 2-924x

**Section XVI. Other Information**

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