

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Stearic acid

**Cat No. :** AC174490000; AC174490010; AC174490025; AC174490050;  
AC174490100

**CAS No** 57-11-4  
**Synonyms** Octadecanoic acid

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

#### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

##### Company

Fisher Scientific Company  
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### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Combustible dust	Yes
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#### Label Elements

None required

#### **Signal Word**

Warning

#### **Hazard Statements**

May form combustible dust concentrations in air

**Precautionary Statements****Storage**

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

None identified

**3. Composition/Information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Stearic acid	57-11-4	>95

**4. First-aid measures**

<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

**5. Fire-fighting measures**

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	196 °C / 384.8 °F
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	395 °C / 743 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Fine dust dispersed in air may ignite. Dust can form an explosive mixture with air. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

**Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

**NFPA**Health  
0Flammability  
1Instability  
0Physical hazards  
N/A**6. Accidental release measures****Personal Precautions**

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

**Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.**7. Handling and storage****Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.

**Storage.**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Incompatible Materials. Combustible material. Bases. Strong oxidizing agents. Reducing Agent.

**8. Exposure controls / personal protection****Exposure Guidelines**

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Stearic acid	TWA: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>			

**Legend**

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**Engineering Measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**Personal Protective Equipment****Eye/face Protection**

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin and body protection**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection**

Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**9. Physical and chemical properties****Physical State**

Solid

**Appearance**

White

**Odor**

No information available

**Odor Threshold**

No information available

**pH**

No information available

**Melting Point/Range**

67 - 69 °C / 152.6 - 156.2 °F

**Boiling Point/Range**

361 °C / 681.8 °F @ 760 mmHg

**Flash Point**

196 °C / 384.8 °F

**Evaporation Rate**

Not applicable

Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	1 mmHg @ 174 °C
Vapor Density	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	0.840
Solubility	Slightly soluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	395 °C / 743 °F
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	Not applicable
Molecular Formula	C18 H36 O2
Molecular Weight	284.47

## 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat.
Incompatible Materials	Combustible material, Bases, Strong oxidizing agents, Reducing Agent
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Stearic acid	LD50 = 4600 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 > 2000 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	Not listed

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation	No information available
Sensitization	No information available
Carcinogenicity	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Stearic acid	57-11-4	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Mutagenic Effects No information available

Reproductive Effects No information available.

Developmental Effects No information available.

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure None known

<b>STOT - repeated exposure</b>	None known
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	No information available
<b>Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed</b>	No information available
<b>Endocrine Disruptor Information</b>	No information available
<b>Other Adverse Effects</b>	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains.

<b>Persistence and Degradability</b>	Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.
<b>Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation</b>	No information available.
<b>Mobility</b>	Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

## 13. Disposal considerations

<b>Waste Disposal Methods</b>	Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.
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## 14. Transport information

<b>DOT</b>	Not regulated
<b>TDG</b>	Not regulated
<b>IATA</b>	Not regulated
<b>IMDG/IMO</b>	Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory information

### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Stearic acid	57-11-4	X	ACTIVE	-

#### **Legend:**

**TSCA** US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

<b>TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export</b>	Not applicable
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### International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Stearic acid	57-11-4	X	-	200-313-4	X	X	X	X	X	KE-26333

**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

### U.S. Federal Regulations

<b>SARA 313</b>	Not applicable
<b>SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories</b>	See section 2 for more information
<b>CWA (Clean Water Act)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Clean Air Act</b>	Not applicable
<b>OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration</b>	Not applicable
<b>CERCLA</b>	Not applicable
<b>California Proposition 65</b>	This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.
<b>U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations</b>	Not applicable
<b>U.S. Department of Transportation</b>	
Reportable Quantity (RQ):	N
DOT Marine Pollutant	N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N
<b>U.S. Department of Homeland Security</b>	This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** Slight risk, Grade 1

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH****Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Stearic acid	57-11-4	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Stearic acid	57-11-4	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y34

## 16. Other information

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replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS).

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