

**MSDS****Material Safety Data Sheet**

From: Mallinckrodt Baker, Inc.  
222 Red School Lane  
Phillipsburg, NJ 08865



Mallinckrodt  
CHEMICALS



24 Hour Emergency Telephone: 908-859-2151  
CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300

National Response in Canada  
CANUTEC: 613-996-6666

Outside U.S. and Canada  
Chemtrec: 703-527-3887

**NOTE:** CHEMTREC, CANUTEC and National Response Center emergency numbers to be used only in the event of chemical emergencies involving a spill, leak, fire, exposure or accident involving chemicals.

All non-emergency questions should be directed to Customer Service (1-800-582-2537) for assistance.

# MAGNESIUM NITRATE

## 1. Product Identification

**Synonyms:** Magnesium Nitrate 6-Hydrate; Magnesium (II) nitrate, hexahydrate; Nitric acid, magnesium salt, hexahydrate

**CAS No.:** 10377-60-3 (13446-18-9 hexahydrate)

**Molecular Weight:** 256.41

**Chemical Formula:** Mg(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> 6H<sub>2</sub>O

**Product Codes:**

J.T. Baker: 2468

Mallinckrodt: 5026, 6002

## 2. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredient	CAS No	Percent	Hazardous
Magnesium Nitrate	10377-60-3	100%	Yes

## 3. Hazards Identification

### Emergency Overview

**DANGER! STRONG OXIDIZER. CONTACT WITH OTHER MATERIAL MAY CAUSE FIRE. HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED OR INHALED. CAUSES IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES AND RESPIRATORY TRACT.**

**SAF-T-DATA<sup>(tm)</sup>** Ratings (Provided here for your convenience)  
-----

Health Rating: 2 - Moderate

Flammability Rating: 0 - None

Reactivity Rating: 3 - Severe (Oxidizer)

Contact Rating: 3 - Severe

Lab Protective Equip: GOGGLES &amp; SHIELD; LAB COAT &amp; APRON; VENT HOOD; PROPER GLOVES

Storage Color Code: Yellow (Reactive)  
-----**Potential Health Effects**  
-----**Inhalation:**

May cause irritation and burns to the respiratory tract; symptoms may include coughing and shortness of breath.

**Ingestion:**

Large oral doses of nitrates may cause dizziness, abdominal pain, vomiting, bloody diarrhea, weakness, convulsions, and collapse. May interfere with blood's capability to carry oxygen (methemoglobinemia), as evidenced by bluish color to skin and lips.

**Skin Contact:**

Causes irritation and burns to the skin.

**Eye Contact:**

Causes irritation. May be extremely irritating with possible burns to eye tissue and permanent eye damage may result.

**Chronic Exposure:**

Repeated small oral doses of nitrates may cause weakness, depression, headache, and mental impairment. Chronic exposures may affect ability of blood to carry oxygen, causing the lips and skin to turn blue.

**Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions:**

No information found.

---

## 4. First Aid Measures

**Inhalation:**

Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Call a physician immediately.

**Ingestion:**

Induce vomiting immediately as directed by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Call a physician immediately.

**Skin Contact:**

Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician, immediately. Wash clothing before reuse.

**Eye Contact:**

Immediately flush eyes with gentle but large stream of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Call a physician immediately.

---

## 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Fire:**

Not combustible, but substance is a strong oxidizer and its heat of reaction with reducing agents or combustibles may cause ignition.

**Explosion:**

Contact with oxidizable substances may cause extremely violent combustion.

**Fire Extinguishing Media:**

Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

**Special Information:**

In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

---

## 6. Accidental Release Measures

Ventilate area of leak or spill. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Spills: Pick up and place in a suitable container for reclamation or disposal, using a method that does not generate dust. Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc.) away from spilled material).

---

## 7. Handling and Storage

Keep in a tightly closed container, stored in a cool, dry, ventilated area. Protect against physical damage. Separate from combustible, organic, or any other readily oxidizable materials. Do not store on wooden floors. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty since they retain product residues (dust, solids); observe all warnings and precautions listed for the product.

---

## 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**Airborne Exposure Limits:**

None established.

**Ventilation System:**

A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures as low as possible. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area. Please refer to the ACGIH document, *Industrial Ventilation, A Manual of Recommended Practices*, most recent edition, for details.

**Personal Respirators (NIOSH Approved):**

For conditions of use where exposure to dust or mist is apparent and engineering controls are not feasible, a particulate respirator (NIOSH type N95 or better filters) may be worn. If oil particles (e.g. lubricants, cutting fluids, glycerine, etc.) are present, use a NIOSH type R or P filter. For emergencies or instances where the exposure levels are not known, use a full-face positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator. **WARNING:**

Air-purifying respirators do not protect workers in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.

**Skin Protection:**

Wear protective gloves and clean body-covering clothing.

**Eye Protection:**

Use chemical safety goggles and/or full face shield where dusting or splashing of solutions is possible. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

---

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

**Appearance:**

White crystals.

**Odor:**

Odorless.

**Solubility:**

## MAGNESIUM NITRATE

125g/100ml water.

**Density:**

1.46

**pH:**

No information found.

**% Volatiles by volume @ 21C (70F):**

No information found.

**Boiling Point:**

330C (626F)

**Melting Point:**

89C (192F)

**Vapor Density (Air=1):**

No information found.

**Vapor Pressure (mm Hg):**

No information found.

**Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):**

No information found.

---

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

**Stability:**

Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:**

Oxides of nitrogen and toxic metal fumes may form when heated to decomposition.

**Hazardous Polymerization:**

Will not occur.

**Incompatibilities:**

Dimethyl formamide, combustible, organic and oxidizable materials.

**Conditions to Avoid:**

Heat, incompatibles.

---

## 11. Toxicological Information

No LD50/LC50 information found relating to normal routes of occupational exposure.

-----\Cancer Lists\-----

Ingredient	---NTP Carcinogen---		IARC Category
	Known	Anticipated	
Magnesium Nitrate (10377-60-3)	No	No	None

---

## 12. Ecological Information

**Environmental Fate:**

No information found.

**Environmental Toxicity:**

No information found.

## 13. Disposal Considerations

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be handled as hazardous waste and sent to a RCRA approved incinerator or disposed in a RCRA approved waste facility. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

## 14. Transport Information

### Domestic (Land, D.O.T.)

-----  
**Proper Shipping Name:** MAGNESIUM NITRATE

**Hazard Class:** 5.1

**UN/NA:** UN1474

**Packing Group:** III

**Information reported for product/size:** 40KG

### International (Water, I.M.O.)

-----  
**Proper Shipping Name:** MAGNESIUM NITRATE

**Hazard Class:** 5.1

**UN/NA:** UN1474

**Packing Group:** III

**Information reported for product/size:** 40KG

## 15. Regulatory Information

```
-----\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 1\-----
Ingredient                                     TSCA   EC    Japan  Australia
-----
Magnesium Nitrate (10377-60-3)                Yes   Yes   Yes    Yes
```

```
-----\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 2\-----
Ingredient                                     Korea  DSL   NDSL   Phil.
-----
Magnesium Nitrate (10377-60-3)                Yes   Yes   No     Yes
```

```
-----\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 1\-----
Ingredient                                     -SARA 302-  -SARA 313-
RQ      TPQ      List  Chemical Catg.
-----
Magnesium Nitrate (10377-60-3)                No     No     No     Nitrate Cmpd
```

```
-----\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 2\-----
Ingredient                                     -RCRA-    -TSCA-
CERCLA   261.33   8(d)
-----
```

Magnesium Nitrate (10377-60-3)

No

No

No

Chemical Weapons Convention: No TSCA 12(b): No CDTA: No  
 SARA 311/312: Acute: Yes Chronic: Yes Fire: Yes Pressure: No  
 Reactivity: No (Pure / Solid)

**Australian Hazchem Code:** 1[T]**Poison Schedule:** None allocated.**WHMIS:**

This MSDS has been prepared according to the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

## 16. Other Information

**NFPA Ratings:** Health: 2 Flammability: 0 Reactivity: 0 Other: **Oxidizer****Label Hazard Warning:**

DANGER! STRONG OXIDIZER. CONTACT WITH OTHER MATERIAL MAY CAUSE FIRE. HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED OR INHALED. CAUSES IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES AND RESPIRATORY TRACT.

**Label Precautions:**

Keep from contact with clothing and other combustible materials.

Store in a tightly closed container.

Remove and wash contaminated clothing promptly.

Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing.

Avoid breathing dust.

Use only with adequate ventilation.

Wash thoroughly after handling.

**Label First Aid:**

If swallowed, induce vomiting immediately as directed by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes or skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. In all cases call a physician immediately.

**Product Use:**

Laboratory Reagent.

**Revision Information:**

No Changes.

**Disclaimer:**

\*\*\*\*\*

**Mallinckrodt Baker, Inc. provides the information contained herein in good faith but makes no representation as to its comprehensiveness or accuracy. This document is intended only as a guide to the appropriate precautionary handling of the material by a properly trained person using this product. Individuals receiving the information must exercise their independent judgment in determining its appropriateness for a particular purpose. MALLINCKRODT BAKER, INC. MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ANY WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE WITH RESPECT TO THE INFORMATION SET FORTH HEREIN OR THE PRODUCT TO WHICH THE INFORMATION REFERS. ACCORDINGLY, MALLINCKRODT BAKER, INC. WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGES RESULTING FROM USE OF OR RELIANCE UPON THIS INFORMATION.**

\*\*\*\*\*

**Prepared by:** Environmental Health & Safety

MAGNESIUM NITRATE

Phone Number: (314) 654-1600 (U.S.A.)