

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Lauric acid

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

##### OSHA Hazards

No known OSHA hazards

##### GHS Classification

Skin irritation (Category 3)  
Eye irritation (Category 2B)  
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3)  
Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 3)

##### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram none

Signal word Warning

Hazard statement(s)  
H316 Causes mild skin irritation.  
H320 Causes eye irritation.  
H412 Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)  
P273 Avoid release to the environment.  
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

##### HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 0  
Flammability: 0  
Physical hazards: 0

##### NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 0  
Fire: 0  
Reactivity Hazard: 0

## Potential Health Effects

<b>Inhalation</b>	May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.
<b>Skin</b>	May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.
<b>Eyes</b>	May cause eye irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	May be harmful if swallowed.

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### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Lauric acid  
Dodecanoic acid

Formula :  $C_{12}H_{24}O_2$   
Molecular Weight : 200.32 g/mol

No ingredients are hazardous according to OSHA criteria.

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

#### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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### 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

#### Special protective equipment for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

#### Hazardous combustion products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

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### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### Personal precautions

Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation.

#### Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

#### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

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### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### Precautions for safe handling

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

#### Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Respiratory protection

Respiratory protection is not required. Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Hand protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### Immersion protection

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: > 480 min

Material tested: Dermatrill® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

#### Splash protection

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: > 30 min

Material tested: Dermatrill® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 873000, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an Industrial Hygienist familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

#### Eye protection

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin and body protection

Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

#### Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

Form crystalline

Colour white

### Safety data

pH no data available

Melting point/freezing point Melting point/range: 44 - 46 °C (111 - 115 °F) - lit.

Boiling point 225 °C (437 °F) at 133 hPa (100 mmHg) - lit.

Flash point > 113.00 °C (> 235.40 °F) - closed cup

Ignition temperature no data available

Autoignition no data available

temperature	
Lower explosion limit	no data available
Upper explosion limit	no data available
Vapour pressure	67 hPa (50 mmHg) at 210 °C (410 °F) 1 hPa (1 mmHg) at 121 °C (250 °F)
Density	0.883 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25 °C (77 °F)
Water solubility	no data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 4.2
Relative vapour density	no data available
Odour	no data available
Odour Threshold	no data available
Evaporation rate	no data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

### Conditions to avoid

no data available

### Materials to avoid

Bases, Oxidizing agents, Reducing agents

### Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides  
Other decomposition products - no data available

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity

#### Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - rat - 12,000 mg/kg

#### Inhalation LC50

no data available

#### Dermal LD50

no data available

#### Other information on acute toxicity

no data available

### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - rabbit - Mild skin irritation

### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - rabbit - Mild eye irritation

### Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

### Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

### Carcinogenicity

Carcinogenicity - mouse - Skin  
Tumorigenic: Neoplastic by RTECS criteria.

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

### Reproductive toxicity

no data available

### Teratogenicity

no data available

### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

### Aspiration hazard

no data available

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### Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

### Synergistic effects

no data available

### Additional Information

RTECS: OE9800000

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Toxicity

Toxicity to fish	LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 27 - 45 mg/l - 96 h
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 13 - 22 mg/l - 48 h

### Persistence and degradability

no data available

### Bioaccumulative potential

Indication of bioaccumulation.

### Mobility in soil

no data available

### PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

**Other adverse effects**

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**DOT (US)**

Not dangerous goods

**IMDG**

Not dangerous goods

**IATA**

Not dangerous goods

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**OSHA Hazards**

No known OSHA hazards

**SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

No SARA Hazards

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

Lauric acid

CAS-No.  
143-07-7

Revision Date

**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

Lauric acid

CAS-No.  
143-07-7

Revision Date

**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Further information**

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