



# Fisher Scientific

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## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Acetic anhydride

**Cat No. :** A10-1; A10-100; A10-4; A10-500; A10-500LC; A10-RS50; A10-SS200

**Synonyms** Acetyl oxide, Acetic acid anhydride, Acetic oxide, Ethanoic anhydride

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** No Information available

**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

**Company**

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**Emergency Telephone Number**

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
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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)

Flammable liquids	Category 3
Acute oral toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors	Category 2
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	

**Label Elements**

**Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

Flammable liquid and vapor  
Harmful if swallowed  
Fatal if inhaled  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
May cause respiratory irritation

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
 Wear respiratory protection  
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking  
 Keep container tightly closed  
 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment  
 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment  
 Use only non-sparking tools  
 Take precautionary measures against static discharge  
 Keep cool

**Response**

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

**Inhalation**

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

**Skin**

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower  
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

**Eyes**

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

**Ingestion**

Rinse mouth  
 Do NOT induce vomiting

**Fire**

In case of fire: Use CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

**Storage**

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

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

Lachrymator (substance which increases the flow of tears)  
 Reacts with water and forms acetic acid

### 3. Composition / information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Acetic anhydride	108-24-7	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

**Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Skin Contact**

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical

attention is required.

<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with a respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects</b>	Causes burns by all exposure routes. Breathing difficulties. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	CO <sub>2</sub> , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam. Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	DO NOT USE WATER
<b>Flash Point</b>	49 °C / 120.2 °F
<b>Method -</b>	Closed cup
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	316 °C / 600.8 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	10.3 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	2.9 vol %
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

#### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Flammable. Corrosive Material. Water reactive. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Containers may explode when heated. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

#### 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

<b>Health</b>	<b>Flammability</b>	<b>Instability</b>	<b>Physical hazards</b>
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### 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Use personal protective equipment. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and inhalation of vapors.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.
<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Remove all sources of ignition. Do not expose spill to water. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

### 7. Handling and storage

<b>Handling</b>	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Keep away
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from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. Do not allow contact with water.

**Storage**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Keep away from water. Flammables area.

**8. Exposure controls / personal protection**

Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Acetic anhydride	TWA: 1 ppm STEL: 3 ppm	(Vacated) Ceiling: 5 ppm (Vacated) Ceiling: 20 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 5 ppm TWA: 20 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 200 ppm Ceiling: 5 ppm Ceiling: 20 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWA/EV
Acetic anhydride	TWA: 5 ppm TWA: 21 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 5 ppm TWA: 20 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 1 ppm STEL: 3 ppm

Legend

*ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists*

*OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration*

*NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health*

**Engineering Measures**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.

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	Liquid
Appearance	Colorless
Odor	pungent
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	3
Melting Point/Range	-73.1 °C / -99.6 °F
Boiling Point/Range	140 °C / 284 °F @ 760 mmHg
Flash Point	49 °C / 120.2 °F
Method -	Closed cup
Evaporation Rate	0.46
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	10.3 vol %
Lower	2.9 vol %
Vapor Pressure	5 mbar @ 20 °C

Vapor Density	3.5
Relative Density	1.087
Solubility	No information available
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	316 °C / 600.8 °F
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	0.91 mPa.s at 20 °C
Molecular Formula	C4 H6 O3
Molecular Weight	102.09

**10. Stability and reactivity**

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	Yes
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under recommended storage conditions. Moisture sensitive. Reacts violently with water.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Exposure to moist air or water.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases, Water, Strong reducing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

**11. Toxicological information**

Acute Toxicity

**Product Information**

**Component Information**

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Acetic anhydride	630 mg/kg ( Rat )	4000 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	LC100: 1.67 mg/L/6h (Rat) LC50: 400 ppm/6h (Rat)

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

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

<b>Irritation</b>	Causes burns by all exposure routes
<b>Sensitization</b>	No information available
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Acetic anhydride	108-24-7	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** Not mutagenic in AMES Test

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** Respiratory system

**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

<b>Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed</b>	Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
<b>Endocrine Disruptor Information</b>	No information available
<b>Other Adverse Effects</b>	See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Reacts with water so no ecotoxicity data for the substance is available. Do not empty into drains. Large amounts will affect pH and harm aquatic organisms.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Acetic anhydride	Not listed	265 mg/L LC50 48 h	Not listed	55 mg/L EC50 = 24 h

**Persistence and Degradability** Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

### Mobility

Component	log Pow
Acetic anhydride	-0.27

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** 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.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN-No	UN1715
Proper Shipping Name	ACETIC ANHYDRIDE
Hazard Class	8
Subsidiary Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	II

### TDG

UN-No	UN1715
Proper Shipping Name	ACETIC ANHYDRIDE
Hazard Class	8
Subsidiary Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	II

### IATA

UN-No	UN1715
Proper Shipping Name	ACETIC ANHYDRIDE
Hazard Class	8
Subsidiary Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	II

### IMDG/IMO

UN-No	UN1715
Proper Shipping Name	ACETIC ANHYDRIDE
Hazard Class	8
Subsidiary Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	II

## 15. Regulatory information

### International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINGS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Acetic anhydride	X	X	-	203-564-8	-		X	X	X	X	X

**Legend:**

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

**U.S. Federal Regulations**

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313 Not applicable

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization**

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	No
Fire Hazard	Yes
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	Yes

**Clean Water Act**

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Acetic anhydride	X	5000 lb	-	-

Clean Air Act Not applicable

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Not applicable

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Acetic anhydride	5000 lb	-

California Proposition 65 This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

**State Right-to-Know**

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Acetic anhydride	X	X	X	-	X

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ):	N
DOT Marine Pollutant	N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

**Canada**

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

WHMIS Hazard Class B3 Combustible liquid  
D1A Very toxic materials  
E Corrosive material

**16. Other Information**

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Revision Summary This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard 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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**End of SDS**