

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

### Product identifier

**Product Name** HYDROQUINONE, CRYSTAL

### Other means of identification

**Product Code(s)** H1080

**UN/ID no** UN3077

**Synonyms** None

### Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

**Recommended use** No information available

**Restrictions on use** No information available

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

#### Supplier Address

Spectrum Chemical Mfg. Corp.  
14422 South San Pedro St.  
Gardena, CA 90248  
(310) 516-8000

### Emergency telephone number

**Emergency Telephone** Chemtrec 1-800-424-9300

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification

Acute toxicity - Oral	Category 4
Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1
Skin sensitization	Category 1A
Germ cell mutagenicity	Category 2
Carcinogenicity	Category 2

### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Not applicable

### Label elements

**Danger**

### Hazard statements

Harmful if swallowed

Causes skin irritation  
Causes serious eye damage  
May cause an allergic skin reaction  
Suspected of causing genetic defects  
Suspected of causing cancer



**Appearance** Crystalline

**Physical state** Solid

**Odor** No information available

#### **Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use  
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace

#### **Precautionary Statements - Response**

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention  
Specific treatment (see .? on this label)  
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor  
IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water and soap  
Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse  
If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention  
IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell  
Rinse mouth

#### **Precautionary Statements - Storage**

Store locked up.

#### **Precautionary Statements - Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### **Other information**

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects. Very toxic to aquatic life.

### **3. Composition/information on ingredients**

#### **Substance**

Chemical name	CAS No	Weight-%	Trade secret
Hydroquinone	123-31-9	100	*

\*The exact percentage (concentration) of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

### **4. First-aid measures**

## Description of first aid measures

<b>General advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required. IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Get immediate medical advice/attention. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. Do not rub affected area.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. May cause an allergic skin reaction. In the case of skin irritation or allergic reactions see a physician.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Call a physician.
<b>Self-protection of the first aider</b>	Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear personal protective clothing (see section 8).

## Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

<b>Symptoms</b>	Burning sensation. Itching. Rashes. Hives.
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## Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

<b>Note to physicians</b>	May cause sensitization in susceptible persons. Treat symptomatically.
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## **5. Fire-fighting measures**

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
<b>Large Fire</b>	CAUTION: Use of water spray when fighting fire may be inefficient.
<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media</b>	Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water streams.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	Product is or contains a sensitizer. May cause sensitization by skin contact.
<b>Hazardous combustion products</b>	Carbon Monoxide, Carbon Dioxide.
<b>Explosion data</b>	
<b>Sensitivity to mechanical impact</b>	none.
<b>Sensitivity to static discharge</b>	none.
<b>Special protective equipment for fire-fighters</b>	Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear. Use personal protection equipment.

## **6. Accidental release measures**

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

<b>Personal precautions</b>	Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.
<b>Other information</b>	Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 7 and 8.

### Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

<b>Methods for containment</b>	Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.
<b>Methods for cleaning up</b>	Pick up and transfer to properly labeled containers.

## 7. Handling and storage

### Precautions for safe handling

#### Advice on safe handling

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Ensure adequate ventilation. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

#### Storage Conditions

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep out of the reach of children. Store locked up.

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Control parameters

#### Exposure Limits

Chemical name	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Hydroquinone 123-31-9	No data available	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	-

### Appropriate engineering controls

#### Engineering controls

Showers  
Eyewash stations  
Ventilation systems.

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Tight sealing safety goggles.

#### Hand protection

Wear suitable gloves. Impervious gloves.

#### Skin and body protection

Wear suitable protective clothing. Long sleeved clothing.

#### Respiratory protection

No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions. If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, ventilation and evacuation may be required.

#### General hygiene considerations

Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### Physical state

Solid

#### Appearance

Crystalline

#### Color

White

#### Odor

No information available

#### Odor threshold

No information available

### Property

#### Values

#### Remarks • Method

#### pH

no data available

None known

#### Melting point / freezing point

170 °C / 338 °F

None known

<b>Boiling point / boiling range</b>	no data available	None known
<b>Flash point</b>	165 °C / 329 °F	CC (closed cup)
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	no data available	None known
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	no data available	None known
<b>Flammability Limit in Air</b>		None known
<b>Upper flammability or explosive limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor pressure</b>	No data available	None known
<b>Vapor density</b>	no data available	None known
<b>Relative density</b>	1.33	None known
<b>Water solubility</b>	Soluble in water	None known
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	Soluble in Acetone	None known
	Soluble in Alcohol	
	Soluble in diethyl ether	
	Soluble in Carbon tetrachloride	
<b>Partition coefficient</b>	No data available	None known
<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	no data available	None known
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>		None known
<b>Kinematic viscosity</b>	no data available	None known
<b>Dynamic viscosity</b>	No data available	None known
<b><u>Other information</u></b>		
<b>Explosive properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Oxidizing properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Softening point</b>	No information available	
<b>Molecular weight</b>	No information available	
<b>VOC Content (%)</b>	No information available	
<b>Liquid Density</b>	No information available	
<b>Bulk density</b>	No information available	

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	No information available.
<b>Chemical stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	None under normal processing.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	None known based on information supplied.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong oxidizing agents.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	None known based on information supplied.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

#### Product Information

<b>Inhalation</b>	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. May cause irritation of respiratory tract.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Causes serious eye damage. May cause irreversible damage to eyes. (based on components).
<b>Skin contact</b>	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. May cause sensitization by skin contact. Repeated or prolonged skin contact may cause allergic reactions with susceptible persons. (based on components). Causes skin irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Ingestion may cause

gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Harmful if swallowed. (based on components).

### Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

**Symptoms** Redness. Burning. May cause blindness. Itching. Rashes. Hives. May cause redness and tearing of the eyes.

### Acute toxicity

#### Numerical measures of toxicity

Chemical name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Hydroquinone 123-31-9	= 298 mg/kg ( Rat )	= 74800 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	-

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

**Skin corrosion/irritation** Classification based on data available for ingredients. Irritating to skin.  
**Serious eye damage/eye irritation** Classification based on data available for ingredients. Causes burns. Risk of serious damage to eyes.  
**Respiratory or skin sensitization** May cause sensitization by skin contact.  
**Germ cell mutagenicity** Contains a known or suspected mutagen. Classification based on data available for ingredients. Suspected of causing genetic defects.  
**Carcinogenicity** Contains a known or suspected carcinogen. Classification based on data available for ingredients. Suspected of causing cancer.

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Chemical name	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA
Hydroquinone 123-31-9	-	Group 3 - Not Classifiable - Monograph 71 [1999] Supplement 7 [1987] Monograph 15 [1977]	-	-

### Legend

**Reproductive toxicity** No information available.  
**STOT - single exposure** No information available.  
**STOT - repeated exposure** No information available.  
**Target organ effects** respiratory system, Eyes, Skin, central nervous system.  
**Aspiration hazard** No information available.  
**Other adverse effects** No information available.  
**Interactive effects** No information available.

## 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity** Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Chemical name	Algae/aquatic plants	Fish	Toxicity to microorganisms	Crustacea
Hydroquinone 123-31-9	EC50: =0.335mg/L (72h, Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: =13.5mg/L (120h, Desmodesmus subspicatus)	LC50: 0.1 - 0.18mg/L (96h, Pimephales promelas) LC50: =0.044mg/L (96h, Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: =0.044mg/L (96h, Pimephales promelas) LC50: =0.17mg/L (96h, Brachydanio rerio)	-	EC50: =0.29mg/L (48h, Daphnia magna)

**Persistence and degradability** No information available.  
**Bioaccumulation** Inherently biodegradable.

#### Component Information

Chemical name	Partition coefficient
Hydroquinone 123-31-9	0.5

**Other adverse effects** No information available.

### 13. Disposal considerations

#### Waste treatment methods

**Waste from residues/unused products** Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation.

**Contaminated packaging** Do not reuse empty containers.

### 14. Transport information

#### DOT

**UN/ID no** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name:** Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (hydroquinone)  
**Hazard class** 9  
**Packing group:** III  
**Description:** UN3077,Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (Hydroquinone ),9,PG III

#### TDG

**UN-No:** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name:** Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (copper sulfate)  
**Hazard class** 9  
**Packing Group:** III  
**Description:** UN3077,ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.(Hydroquinone ),9,PG III

#### MEX

not regulated

#### ICAO (air)

**UN-No:** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name:** Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (copper sulfate)  
**Hazard class** 9  
**Packing Group:** III  
**Description:** UN3077,Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s.(Hydroquinone ),9,PG III

#### IATA

**UN number** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name:** Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (copper sulfate)  
**Transport hazard class(es)** 9  
**Packing group** III  
**Description:** UN3077,Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s.(Hydroquinone ),9,PG III

#### IMDG

not regulated

#### RID

**UN number** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name:** Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (copper sulfate)  
**Transport hazard class(es)** 9  
**Packing group** III  
**Description:** UN3077 Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s.(Hydroquinone ),9,III

**ADR**

**UN number** UN3077  
**Proper Shipping Name:** Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (copper sulfate)  
**Transport hazard class(es)** 9  
**Packing group** III  
**Description:** UN3077 Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s.(Hydroquinone ),9,III

**ADN** not regulated

## 15. Regulatory information

**International Inventories**

**TSCA** Complies

**DSL/NDSL** Complies  
**EINECS/ELINCS** Complies  
**ENCS** This product complies with ENCS:  
**IECSC** This product complies with China:  
**KECL** Complies  
**PICCS** Complies  
**AICS** All the constituents of this material are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

**Legend:**

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory  
**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List  
**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances  
**ENCS** - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances  
**IECSC** - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances  
**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances  
**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**US Federal Regulations****SARA 313**

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product contains a chemical or chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372.

Chemical name	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Hydroquinone - 123-31-9	1.0

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

**CWA (Clean Water Act)**

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42).

**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).

Chemical name	Hazardous Substances RQs	Extremely Hazardous Substances RQs
Hydroquinone 123-31-9	100 lb final RQ 45.4 kg final RQ	-

**US State Regulations**



### **California Proposition 65**

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

### **U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

This product does not contain any substances regulated under applicable state right-to-know regulations

Chemical name	New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Hydroquinone 123-31-9	1019	Present	Environmental hazard

### **U.S. EPA Label Information**

**EPA Pesticide Registration Number** Not applicable

## **16. Other information**

### **NFPA**

**Health hazards** 3

**Flammability** 1

**Instability** 0

**Physical and chemical properties** -

### **HMIS**

**Health hazards** 3 \*

**Flammability** 1

**Physical hazards** 0

**Personal protection** X

*Chronic Hazard Star Legend*

*\* = Chronic Health Hazard*

### **Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet**

#### **Legend Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

TWA TWA (time-weighted average)

STEL

STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)

Ceiling Maximum limit value

### **Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS**

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)

Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGl(s))

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals

Food Research Journal

Hazardous Substance Database

International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID)

Japan GHS Classification

Australia National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)

NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)

National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP)

National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED)

National Toxicology Program (NTP)

New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Program

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set

World Health Organization

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