# SAFETY DATA SHEET SPECTRUM®



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## 1. Identification

**Product identifier** 

Product Name FORMIC ACID, FCC

Other means of identification

Product Code(s) F1135

UN/ID no UN1779

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 1 Sub-category A
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1
Flammable liquids	Category 3

## Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Not applicable

#### Label elements

## Danger

#### Hazard statements

Harmful if swallowed

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

Flammable liquid and vapor

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Appearance clear Physical state Liquid Odor No information available

#### **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 dusts or mists

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. 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

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

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

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 (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell

Rinse mouth

Do NOT induce vomiting

In case of fire: Use CO2, dry chemical, or foam to extinguish

# **Precautionary Statements - Storage**

Store locked up.

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool

## **Precautionary Statements - Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Other information

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects. Harmful to aquatic life.

# 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### Substance

Not applicable.

#### Mixture

Chemical name	CAS No	Weight-%	Trade secret
Formic Acid	64-18-6	80 - 100	*
Water	7732-18-5	10 - 20	*

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

## 4. First-aid measures

#### **Description of first aid measures**

General advice Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is

required.

**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. Get medical

attention immediately. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. If breathing is difficult, (trained personnel should) give oxygen. Delayed pulmonary edema may occur. Get immediate medical

advice/attention.

Eye contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Keep

eye wide open while rinsing. Do not rub affected area. Remove contact lenses, if present

and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

**Skin contact** Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated

clothes and shoes. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

**Ingestion** Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get immediate medical

advice/attention.

**Self-protection of the first aider** Remove all sources of ignition. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s)

involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination. Use personal protective equipment as required. See section 8 for more information. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid direct contact with skin. Use barrier to give

mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

**Symptoms** Burning sensation.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

**Note to physicians** Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated.

Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated. Do not give chemical antidotes. Asphyxia from glottal edema may occur. Marked decrease in blood

pressure may occur with moist rales, frothy sputum, and high pulse pressure.

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media Large Fire Dry chemical. Carbon dioxide (CO2). water spray. Alcohol resistant foam. CAUTION: Use of water spray when fighting fire may be inefficient.

Unsuitable extinguishing media

Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water streams.

Specific hazards arising from the

chemical

risk of ignition. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition. In the event of fire, cool tanks with water spray. Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

Hazardous combustion products

Carbon Monoxide, Carbon Dioxide.

**Explosion data** 

Sensitivity to mechanical impact none.

Sensitivity to static discharge yes.

Special protective equipment for

fire-fighters

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

Personal precautions Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Use personal protective equipment as required. See

section 8 for more information. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Pay attention to flashback. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Attention!

Corrosive material.

Other information Ventilate the area. Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 7 and 8.

## Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. A vapor

suppressing foam may be used to reduce vapors. Dike far ahead of spill to collect runoff water. Keep out of drains, sewers, ditches and waterways. Absorb with earth, sand or other

non-combustible material and transfer to containers for later disposal.

Methods for cleaning up Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Dam up. Soak up with inert

absorbent material. Pick up and transfer to properly labeled containers.

# 7. Handling and storage

#### Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling

Use personal protection equipment. Avoid breathing vapors or mists. Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Use grounding and bonding connection when transferring this material to prevent static discharge, fire or explosion. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Keep in an area equipped with sprinklers. Use according to package label instructions. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Handle product only in closed system or provide appropriate exhaust ventilation. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

#### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

**Storage Conditions** 

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks, flame and other sources of ignition (i.e., pilot lights, electric motors and static electricity). Keep in properly labeled containers. Do not store near combustible materials. Keep in an area equipped with sprinklers. Store in accordance with the particular national regulations. Store in accordance with local regulations. Keep out of the reach of children. Protect from moisture. Store locked up. Store away from other materials.

# 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

#### Control parameters

**Exposure Limits** The following ingredients are the only ingredients of the product above the cut-off level (or

level that contributes to the hazard classification of the mixture) which have an exposure limit applicable in the region for which this safety data sheet is intended or other recommended limit. At this time, the other relevant constituents have no known exposure limits from the sources listed here.

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Chemical name	I AUGIT ILV	I OSTA PEL	I NIOSH IDLH

Formic Acid	No data available	5 ppm TWA	-
64-18-6		9 mg/m³ 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. Face protection shield.

**Hand protection** Wear suitable gloves. Impervious gloves.

**Skin and body protection** Wear suitable protective clothing. Long sleeved clothing. Chemical resistant apron.

Antistatic boots.

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 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Contaminated work clothing should not

be allowed out of the workplace. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing is recommended. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use.

# 9. Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state Liquid
Appearance clear
Color Colorless

Odor No information available Odor threshold No information available

<u>Property</u> <u>Values</u> <u>Remarks • Method</u>

pH Strongly acidic

Melting point / freezing point  $4 \, ^{\circ}\text{C} \, / \, 39.2 \, ^{\circ}\text{F}$ Boiling point / boiling range  $100 \, ^{\circ}\text{C} \, / \, 212 \, ^{\circ}\text{F}$ 

Flash point 50 °C / 122 °F CC (closed cup)
Evaporation rate no data available None known
Flammability (solid, gas) no data available None known
Flammability Limit in Air None known

Upper flammability or explosive 38%

limits

Lower flammability or explosive 12%

limits

Vapor pressure 4.3

Vapor density no data available None known

Relative density 1.22

Water solubility
Solubility(ies)
Miscible in water
Miscible with alcohol
Miscible with Ether

Miscible with Acetone Slightly soluble in Toluene

Partition coefficientNo data availableNone knownAutoignition temperatureno data availableNone knownDecomposition temperatureNone known

Kinematic viscosityno data availableNone knownDynamic viscosityNo data availableNone known

Other information

Explosive properties

Oxidizing properties

No information available

## 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactivity** No information available.

Chemical stability Stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions None under normal processing.

**Conditions to avoid** Heat, flames and sparks. Exposure to air or moisture over prolonged periods.

**Incompatible materials** Acids. Bases. Oxidizing agent.

Hazardous decomposition products None known based on information supplied.

## 11. Toxicological information

#### Information on likely routes of exposure

Product Information

**Inhalation** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Corrosive by inhalation.

(based on components). Inhalation of corrosive fumes/gases may cause coughing, choking, headache, dizziness, and weakness for several hours. Pulmonary edema may occur with tightness in the chest, shortness of breath, bluish skin, decreased blood pressure, and increased heart rate. Inhaled corrosive substances can lead to a toxic edema of the lungs.

Pulmonary edema can be fatal.

Eye contact Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Causes serious eye

damage. (based on components). Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage

including blindness. May cause irreversible damage to eyes.

**Skin contact** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Corrosive. (based on

components). Causes burns.

**Ingestion** Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Causes burns. (based on

components). Ingestion causes burns of the upper digestive and respiratory tracts. May cause severe burning pain in the mouth and stomach with vomiting and diarrhea of dark blood. Blood pressure may decrease. Brownish or yellowish stains may be seen around the mouth. Swelling of the throat may cause shortness of breath and choking. May cause lung

damage if swallowed. May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Symptoms Redness. Burning. May cause blindness. Coughing and/ or wheezing.

**Acute toxicity** 

**Numerical measures of toxicity** 

**Component Information** 

Chemical name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
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Formic Acid	= 1100 mg/kg (Rat)	-	= 15 g/m <sup>3</sup> (Rat) 15 min
64-18-6			
Water	90 mL/kg (Rat)	-	-
7732-18-5			

## 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. Causes burns.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation Classification based on data available for ingredients. Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Causes burns.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Germ cell mutagenicity

No information available. No information available.

Reproductive toxicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure STOT - repeated exposure Target organ effects No information available. No information available. respiratory system, Eyes, Skin.

**Aspiration hazard** No information available.

Other adverse effects No information available.

Interactive effects No information available.

# 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity** Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

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Chemical name	Algae/aquatic plants	Fish	Toxicity to	Crustacea
			microorganisms	
Formic Acid 64-18-6	EC50: =25mg/L (96h, Desmodesmus subspicatus) EC50: =26.9mg/L (72h, Desmodesmus	LC50: =175mg/L (24h, Lepomis macrochirus)	-	EC50: 138 - 165.6mg/L (48h, Daphnia magna) EC50: =120mg/L (48h, Daphnia magna)

Persistence and degradability Bioaccumulation

No information available. Inherently biodegradable.

**Component Information** 

Chemical name	Partition coefficient
Formic Acid	-0.54
64-18-6	

Other adverse effects No information available.

## 13. Disposal considerations

#### Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues/unused

products

Should not be released into the environment. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation.

Contaminated packaging

Empty containers pose a potential fire and explosion hazard. Do not cut, puncture of weld containers.

# 14. Transport information

DOT

UN/ID no UN1779

Proper Shipping Name: Formic acid solution

Hazard class 8
Subsidiary Class 3
Packing group: II

Special Provisions B2, B28, IB2, T7, TP2

**Description:** UN1779, Formic acid solution, 8 (3), II

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Number

TDG

**UN-No:** UN1779

Proper Shipping Name: Formic acid solution

Hazard class 8
Subsidiary Class 3
Packing Group: ||

**Description:** UN1779, Formic acid solution, 8 (3), II

MEX

UN-No UN1779

Proper Shipping Name Formic acid solution

Hazard class 8
Packing Group

**Description** UN1779, Formic acid solution, 8, II

ICAO (air)

**UN-No:** UN1779

Proper Shipping Name: Formic acid solution

Hazard class 8
Subsidiary hazard class 3
Packing Group: ||

**Description:** UN1779, Formic acid solution, 8 (3), II

<u>IATA</u>

**UN number** UN1779

Proper Shipping Name: Formic acid solution

Transport hazard class(es) 8
Subsidiary hazard class 3
Packing group ||

**Description:** UN1779, Formic acid solution, 8 (3), II

**IMDG** 

UN number UN1779

Proper shipping name Formic acid solution

Transport hazard class(es) 8
Subsidiary hazard class 3
Packing group II
EmS-No F-E, S-C
Marine pollutant NP1

**Description** UN1779, Formic acid solution, 8 (3), II

RID

UN number UN1779

Proper Shipping Name: Formic acid solution

Transport hazard class(es) 8
Packing group II
Classification code CF1

**Description:** UN1779, Formic acid solution, 8 (3), II

ADR

UN number UN1779

Proper Shipping Name: Formic acid solution

Transport hazard class(es) 8
Subsidiary hazard class 3
Packing group ||

Classification code CF1
Tunnel restriction code (D/E)

**Description:** UN1779, Formic acid solution, 8 (3), II

Labels 8 + 3

<u>ADN</u>

UN/ID No UN1779

Proper shipping name Formic acid solution

Transport hazard class(es) 8
Packing Group II
Classification code CF1

**Description** UN1779, Formic acid solution, 8, II

Hazard label(s)8 + 3Limited quantity (LQ)1 LventilationVE01

Equipment Requirements PP, EP, EX, A

# 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

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 %
Formic Acid - 64-18-6	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
Formic Acid	5000 lb final RQ	-
64-18-6	2270 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**

Chemical name	New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Formic Acid	0948	Present	Environmental hazard
64-18-6			

#### U.S. EPA Label Information

EPA Pesticide Registration Number Not applicable

## 16. Other information

NFPA

Health hazards 3

Flammability 2

Instability 0

Physical and chemical properties -

**HMIS** 

Health hazards 3

Flammability 2

Physical hazards 0

Personal protection X

#### 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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**Revision Note**No information available.

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