

# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1 Identification of substance

### Product details

Trade name

**Molybdenum carbide**

Stock number:

12192

Manufacturer/Supplier:

Alfa Aesar GmbH & Co.KG  
Benzstrasse 3  
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www.alfa-chemcat.com

Informing department:

Product safety department.

Emergency information:

Giftnotruf Universität Mainz / Poison Information Center Mainz  
www.giftinfo.uni-mainz.de Telefon: +49(0)6131/19240

## 2 Hazards identification

Hazard designation:

void

Information pertaining to particular dangers  
for man and environment  
GHS label elementsNot applicable  
Void

## 3 Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical characterization:

Designation: (CAS#)

Molybdenum carbide (CAS# 12069-89-5), 100%

Identification number(s):

EINECS Number:

235-115-7

## 4 First aid measures

After inhalation

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm. Consult doctor if symptoms persist.

After skin contact

Seek immediate medical advice.  
Instantly wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.

After eye contact

Seek immediate medical advice.  
Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult doctor.

After swallowing

Seek medical treatment.

## 5 Fire fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing agents

Use carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or foam. Water may be ineffective but may be used for cooling exposed containers.

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus.  
Wear full protective suit.

## 6 Accidental release measures

Person-related safety precautions:

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Measures for environmental protection:

Ensure adequate ventilation

Measures for cleaning/collecting:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

Additional information:

Collect mechanically.

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for information on disposal.

## 7 Handling and storage

Handling

Information for safe handling:

Keep containers tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.  
No special precautions necessary if used correctly.Information about protection against  
explosions and fires:

No special measures required.

Storage

Requirements to be met by storerooms and  
containers:

No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common

storage facility:

Do not store together with acids.

Further information about storage

conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

## 8 Exposure controls and personal protection

Additional information about design of  
technical systems:

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Components with critical values that require  
monitoring at the workplace:

Molybdenum and compounds (as Mo)

mg/m<sup>3</sup>

ACGIH TLV 5

Austria MAK 15

Belgium TWA 5

Denmark TWA 5

Finland TWA 5

France VME 5

Germany MAK 5

Netherlands MAC-TGG 5

Sweden NGV 10 (total dust)

5 (respirable dust)

Switzerland TWA 5

United Kingdom TWA 10; 20-STEL

USA PEL 5

No data

Additional information:

Personal protective equipment

General protective and hygienic measures

The usual precautionary measures should be adhered to in handling the chemicals.  
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and food.

Instantly remove any soiled and impregnated garments.

Wash hands during breaks and at the end of the work.

Use breathing protection with high concentrations.

Safety glasses

Breathing equipment:

Eye protection:

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**9 Physical and chemical properties:****General Information**

Form: Powder  
 Colour: White  
 Smell: Odourless

Change in condition  
 Melting point/Melting range: 2687°C  
 Boiling point/Boiling range: Not determined  
 Sublimation temperature / start: Not determined

Flash point: Not applicable

Inflammability (solid, gaseous): Product is not inflammable.

Ignition temperature: Not determined

Decomposition temperature: Not determined

Danger of explosion: Product is not explosive.

Critical values for explosion:  
 Lower: Not determined  
 Upper: Not determined

Steam pressure: Not determined

Density at 20°C: 8.9 g/cm³

Solubility in / Miscibility with Water: Insoluble

**10 Stability and reactivity**

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided: No decomposition if used and stored according to specifications.  
 Materials to be avoided: Acids  
 Dangerous reactions: Contact with acids releases flammable gases  
 Dangerous products of decomposition: Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide  
 Metal oxide

**11 Toxicological information**

Acute toxicity:  
 Primary irritant effect:  
 on the skin: Powder: irritant effect  
 on the eye: Powder: irritant effect  
 Sensitization: No sensitizing effect known.  
 Additional toxicological information: To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.  
 No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

**12 Ecological information:**

Additional ecological information:  
 General notes: Generally not hazardous for water.  
 Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

**13 Disposal considerations**

Product:  
 Recommendation: Consult state, local or national regulations for proper disposal.  
 Hand over to disposers of hazardous waste.  
 Must be specially treated under adherence to official regulations.  
 Uncleaned packagings:  
 Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

**14 Transport information**Land transport ADR/RID and GGVS/GGVE (cross-border/domestic)  
 ADR/RID-GGVS/E Class: None

Maritime transport IMDG/GGVSea:  
 IMDG/GGVSea Class: None  
 Marine pollutant: No

Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:  
 ICAO/IATA Class: None

Transport/Additional information: Not dangerous according to the above specifications.

**15 Regulatory information**

Designation according to EC guidelines: Observe the normal safety regulations when handling chemicals  
 The product is not subject to identification regulations under EC Directives and the Ordinance on Hazardous Materials (GefStoffV).

National regulations

Information about limitation of use: For use only by technically qualified individuals.

Water hazard class: Generally not hazardous for water.

**16 Other information:**

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing data specification sheet: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

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Abbreviations and acronyms: ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)  
 RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)

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IATA: International Air Transport Association  
IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)  
ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization  
ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)  
GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals  
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

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