

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

# SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

# **1.1. Product identifier**

#### **Trade name**

Copper Sulphate, Pentahydrate **Product no.** 

# **REACH registration number**

01-2119520566-40-XXXX Other means of identification CuSO<sub>4</sub>\*5H<sub>2</sub>O, EC# 231-847-6, CAS# 7758-99-8 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

#### Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture

Flotation reagent in concentrators Raw material for metal production Uses advised against

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

# **Company and address**

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Tel +46 8 610 15 00 Fax +46 8 31 55 45 Contact person

# E-mail

SDS date 01-06-2015 SDS Version

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# **1.4. Emergency telephone number**

00 353 46 908 2000 (Tara mines Security). See section 16.

# **SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

# 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Repr. 1B; H360 Carc. 1A; H350 Skin Sens. 1; H317 Acute. Tox. 4; H302 STOT RE 2; H373 Eye Irrit. 2; H319 Skin Irrit. 2; H315 Aquatic Chronic 1; H410 Aquatic Acute 1; H400 See full text of H-phrases in section 2.2.

# 2.2. Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)





Additional labelling

Additional warnings

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#### **SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

# 3.1. Substances

NAME:	Copper(II)sulphate, pentahydrate
IDENTIFICATION NOS .:	CAS-no: 7758-99-8 EC-no: 231-847-6 REACH-no: 01-2119520566-40-XXXX
CONTENT:	ca 97%
CLP CLASSIFICATION:	Acute Tox. 4, STOT RE 2, Skin Irrit. 2, Eye Irrit. 2, Skin Sens. 1, Carc. 1A, Repr. 1B, Aquatic
Acute 1, Aquatic Chronic 1	
	H302, H315, H317, H319, H350, H360, H373, H400, H410 (M-acute = 10)

# 3.2. Mixtures

(\*) See full text of H-phrases in section 16. Occupational exposure limits are listed in section 8, if these are available.

# **Other informations**

The product also contains Nickel(II)sulphate, hexahydrate <2% and Sulphuric acid ca 1%.



#### **SECTION 4: First aid measures**

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

#### **General information**

In the case of accident: Contact a doctor or casualty department – take the label or this safety data sheet. Contact a doctor, if in doubt about the injured person's condition or if the symptoms continue. Never give an unconscious person water or similar.

#### Inhalation

Get the injured person into fresh air. Make sure there is always someone with the injured person. Prevent shock by keeping the injured person warm and calm. If the person stops breathing, give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. If unconscious, roll the injured person onto side with the top leg bent at both knee and hip. Call an ambulance.

#### Skin contact

Remove contaminated clothing and shoes at once. Skin that has come in contact with the material must be washed thoroughly with water and soap. In case of irritation seek medical advice.

#### Eye contact

Remove contact lenses. Flush eyes with water (20-30  $^{\circ}$ C) for at least 15 minutes. Keep eyelids well apart. Call a doctor.

#### Ingestion

In the case of ingestion, contact a doctor immediately and take this safety data sheet or the label from the material with you. Immediately give a couple of glasses of milk or water if the person is fully conscious. DO NOT try to induce vomiting. Hold head facing down so that no vomit runs back into the mouth and throat. Prevent shock by keeping the injured person warm and calm. Give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if breathing stops. If unconscious, roll the injured person onto side with the top leg bent at both knee and hip. Call an ambulance.

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

Inhalation: Burning of the eyes, nose, mouth and throat, and coughing. Fine dust can cause metal fume fever (with symptoms similar to influenza).

Skin contact: Burning, reddening.

Eye contact: Severe burning, possibly corrosive damage.

Ingestion: Burning pains, a metal taste in the mouth, severe vomiting, and diarrhoea possibly containing blood. Risk of severe systemic effects (shock).

Ingestion of copper compounds may cause a pronounced gastrointestinal irritation, circulatory disturbance, effect on the central nervous system, liver and kidney damages, hemolysis and methemoglobinemia.

Repeated skin contact or inhalation of nickel compounds may cause sensitisation. Repeated inhalation of soluble nickel compounds is suspected to cause cancer in the sinuses of the nose, lung and throat.

Reproductive toxicity: This product contains teratogenic substances which can do long-term damage to human offspring. The effects on the child can be: death, deformity, delayed development, and functional disorders.

Carcinogenic effects: This product contains substances which are considered or proven to be carcinogenic. The danger may lie in inhalation, skin contact or ingestion.

Reproductive toxicity: This product contains substances which can do damage to reproductive capacity, e.g. damage to germ cells or hormonal regulation. The effects can be: sterility, reduced fertility, menstruation disorders, etc.

Sensitivity effects: This product contains substances which can give an allergic reaction on contact with skin. The allergic reaction will typically set in 12-72 hours after exposure as the substance penetrates the skin and reacts with proteins in the outer skin. The body's immune system sees the chemically changed protein as a foreign body and will try to destroy it.

Irritation effects: This product contains substances which cause irritation to skin and eyes, or when inhaled. Contact with locally irritative substances can cause the area of contact to be more prone to absorb damaging substances such as allergens.

# 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

None other than described in section 4.1.

# Information to medics

Bring this safety data sheet.



#### **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media

Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire (micronized water, CO2, foam). Product is not flammable.

# 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Copper sulphate dust may be formed as decomposition product (due to dehydration). Further heat exposure could generate toxic gases. Avoid breathing fumes that could be toxic due to presence of sulphur oxides, SOx.

# 5.3. Advice for firefighters

Fire-fighters should wear proper protective equipment and self-contained (positive pressure if available) breathing apparatus with full face piece. Avoid spraying water directly to copper sulphate melt. Collect the contaminated water to avoid reaching of sewers or water courses. Move or keep containers cool using a diffuse spray of water.

# **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

# 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Protect adequately all body parts. The air passages must be protected (suitable filter mask) if the material is in form of microcrystals (higher probability that the product forms dust). Keep away unauthorized people, children and animals.

# 6.2. Environmental precautions

Cover accidentally released copper sulphate with plastic, if there is a risk that the substance may be wetted by rain or water from fire extinguisher. Prevent the substance from spreading to wells, culverts or streams. Dam accidentally released liquid with sand, dirt or some other appropriate material. Contact appropriate authorities if the substance has been released into watercourses, effluent streams, drains or has contaminated the ground or vegetation.

# 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Do not use water to clean contaminated areas. Use sand or soil to contain the spillage. Cover the product with sand or soil and carefully clean up all spills of the product, avoiding generation of dust. Put in a clean and dry container, close and remove it from the area. Collected spillages are to be handled as toxic waste and disposed in a suitable way. If the accidental release is of significantly large volume always consult a specialist.

# 6.4. Reference to other sections

See section 13 with regard to the handling of waste. See section 8 for protective measures.

# **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

# 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Avoid dust generation. Do not breathe dust. Handle in a well ventilated area or wear adequate respiratory protection (anti-dust mask). Avoid contact with skin and eyes; wear working clothes, gloves and protective glasses. Do not eat, smoke or drink during use. After use keep the packaging well closed.

# 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep in sealed containers away from humidity and sunlight. Store the product in a well ventilated warehouse away from flammable product. Keep out of the reach of children, animals and unauthorized people. Keep away from food stuff.

# Storage temperature

No data available.

# 7.3. Specific end use(s)

This product should only be used for applications described in Section 1.2 Transport in a big bag with an inner plastic sack.

## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

#### 8.1. Control parameters

OEL



Copper, dusts and mists (as Cu) Limit value - Eight hours 1 mg/m3 Limit value - Short term 2 mg/m3

Copper, fume, respirable dust Limit value - Eight hours 0,2 mg/m3

Nickel, inorganic compounds, water-insoluble (as Ni) (not Ni(CO)4) Limit value - Eight hours 0.5 mg/m3

Nickel, inorganic compounds, water-soluble (as Ni) (not Ni(CO)4) Limit value - Eight hours 0,1 mg/m3

Nickel, metal - total dust Limit value - Eight hours 0,5 mg/m3

#### **DNEL / PNEC**

DNEL: 137 mg/kg bw/day - Duration: Long term – Systemic effects - Exposure: Dermal – Remarks: dry copper compounds, worker DNEL: 13,7 g/kg bw/day - Duration: Long term – Systemic effects - Exposure: Dermal – Remarks: slurries or copper compounds insolution, worker

DNEL: 0,041 mg/kg bw/day - Duration: Long term - Systemic effects - Exposure: Oral - Remarks: general population

PNEC (Copper sulphate): 7,8 µg dissolved Cu/L - Exposure: Freshwater

PNEC (Copper sulphate): 5,6 µg dissolved Cu/L - Exposure: Marine water

PNEC (Copper sulphate): 87,1 mg/kg dw - Exposure: Freshwater sediment

PNEC (Copper sulphate): 676 mg/kg dw - Exposure: Marine water sediment

PNEC (Copper sulphate): 64,6 mg/kg dw - Exposure: Soil

PNEC (Copper sulphate): 230 µg /L - Exposure: Sewage Treatment Plant

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

Compliance with the stated exposure limits values should be checked on a regular basis.

**General recommendations** 

Observe general occupational hygiene.

#### Exposure scenarios

If there is an appendix to this safety data sheet, the indicated exposure scenarios must be complied. **Exposure limits** 

Trade users are covered by the rules of the working environment legislation on maximum concentrations for exposure. See work hygiene threshold values below.

#### Appropriate technical measures

Take ordinary precautions when using the product. Avoid inhalation of gas or dust.

#### **Hygiene measures**

Whenever you take a break in using this product and when you have finished using it, all exposed areas of the body must be washed. Always wash hands, forearms and face.

# Measures to avoid environmental exposure

Keep damming materials near the workplace. If possible collect spillage during work.

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



# Generally

Only CE-marked personal protection equipment should be used.

#### **Respiratory Equipment**

If the ventilation at the work place is not sufficient, use a half or whole mask with an appropriate filter (P2) or an air-supplied respiratory protector. The choice depends on the concrete work situation and how long you will be using the product.

#### Skin protection

Special work clothing should be used. When working with this product for a long period of time, use a protective suit.

### Hand protection

Use gloves of for example neoprene.

#### Eye protection

Use face shield. Use safety glasses with a side shield as an alternative.



# SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basi	ic physical ar	nd chemical properties			
Form	Colour	Odour	рН	Viscosity	Density (g/cm3)
Solid, Crystalline				Not applicable,	
(20 ℃ and 101.3	Blue	None	-	the substance	≥ 2,286
kPa)				is a solid.	
Phase changes					
Melting point (°C)		Boiling point (°C)		Vapour pressure	(mm Ha)
-		31 ( )		Not applicable	( 0/
Data on fire and exp	losion hazard	Is			
Flashpoint (°C)		lanition (°C)		Self ignition (℃)	
Not applicable		-		Not applicable	
Explosion limits (V	ol %)	Oxidizing properties		Flammability (so	lid. gas)
Not applicable		Not applicable		Not applicable	, 9,
Solubility					
Solubility in water		n-octanol/water coefficient			
Soluble					
(≥ 22a/100a (H <sub>2</sub> O)	oH and temp.	Not applicable			
not stated ))					
9.2. Other information					
Solubility in fat		Additional information			
		Melting point/freezing point: D	ecompo	oses at 110 ℃	
		Surface tension: Not applicab	le (Surfa	ace tension is not	applicable to
		inorganic salts )			
-		Stability in organic solvents: N	lot appli	cable	
		Dissociation constant: Not an	nlicahla		
		Auto flammability: Not applica	hla		
		Granulometry: d80 – ~2 mm	d50 – ~	13 mm d10 - ~0	6 mm

# **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

# 10.1. Reactivity

Reacts violently with hydroxylamine and magnesium.

# 10.2. Chemical stability

The product is stable under the conditions noted in section 7.

# 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Solution can react with magnesium forming hydrogen. Contact with hydroxyamine (NH2OH) can ignite hydroxylamine. At temperatures over 400°C copper sulphate decomposes forming copper oxide and sulphur dioxide

# 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid dehydration (caused by heating) of the salt which may give a fine powdered product and thereby give rise to dusting. Avoid unintentional contact with water since this will cause dissolution of the salt.

# 10.5. Incompatible materials

Magnesium, hydroxylamine

# **10.6. Hazardous decomposition products**

The product decomposes at temperatures above 110 °C. In a first step the salt is dehydrated thus producing water vapour and a finely divided powder. Further decomposition will give rise to toxic products such as SOx gases while the copper is converted into an oxide.

# **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

# 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity				
Substance	Species	Test	Route of exposure	Result
Copper(II)sulphate pentahydrate	Rat	LD50	Oral	300 mg/Kg body weight
Skin corrosion/irritation				
Causes skin irritation.				
Serious eye damage/irritation				



Causes serious eye irritation.

# **Respiratory or skin sensitisation**

The product may irritate the skin, causing redness. May cause an allergic skin reaction. Repeated skin contact with nickel may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact.

# Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available.

### Carcinogenicity

Nickel compounds in general are considered as carcinogenic IARC group 1. Water-soluble salts of nickel have not been proven carcinogenic in tests on animals. Soluble salts of nickel are suspected to cause cancer in the sinuses of the nose, lung and throat.

#### **Reproductive toxicity**

May damage fertility or the unborn child.

# STOT-single exposure

#### No data available.

# STOT-repeated exposure

May cause damage to organs.

# Aspiration hazard

Repeated inhalation of nickel compounds may cause allergy and are suspected to cause cancer in the sinuses of the nose, lung and throat.

# Long term effects

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# Ingestion hazard

Copper compounds may cause a pronounced gastrointestinal irritation, effect on the central nervous system, liver and kidney damages, hemolysis and methemoglobinemia. Symptoms of an acute poisoning may be vomiting, often containing blood, and jaundice.

# **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

# 12.1. Toxicity

Copper sulphate is very toxic to fish and other aquatic organisms. An acidic pH is favouring the solubility of copper compounds.

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Substance		Species	Test	Test d	uration	Result
Copper(II)sulph	ate, pentahydrate	Fish (Lepomis macrochirus)	LC50	96h		1,10 mg/l
Copper(II)sulph	ate, pentahydrate	Daphnia Magna	EC50	48h		0,18 mg/l
12.2. Persistence	and degradab	ility				
Substance	Biodegradabi	ility			Test	Result
	Inorganic metal may with time be the transformation the composition Copper ions are	compounds or metal ions are not b e abiotically transformed into other on depends on for example the size of organic and inorganic material in very toxic to aquatic organisms an	iodegraded in the e compounds or state e of the particles, ov n the ground, water d cannot be biodeg	environment, but es. The extent of kygen supply, pH, and sediment. iraded.		
12.3. Bioaccumula	ative potential					
Substance		Potential bioaccumula	ation	LogPow		BFC
		Copper sulphate does not	accumulate			

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

Copper sulphate is very soluble and is considered to have a high mobility in water. The mobility is affected by for example oxygen supply, pH, and the composition of organic and inorganic compounds in the ground, water and sediment.



#### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

The substance does not meet the criteria for a PBT or vPvB substance.

# 12.6. Other adverse effects

Effects on the sewage treatment works: The product may raise the levels of ecotoxic metals in the sludge from the sewage treatment works. Copper may have an adverse effect on the microorganisms in sewage plants.

## **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

The product is covered by the regulations on dangerous waste.

The ions of most heavy metal can be precipitated and filtrated as sulphides or as other compounds of low solubility. The precipitates are sent to an approved recipient of hazardous waste.

Waste containing this substance may not be incinerated in an incineration or co-incineration plant without permit. (Directive 2000/76/EC)

# Waste

EWC code 06 04 05 Specific labelling

#### **Contaminated packing**

Packaging which contains leftovers from the product must be disposed of in the same way as the product.

#### **SECTION 14: Transport information**

This product is covered by the conventions on dangerous goods.

14.1 – 14.4 ADR/RID	
14.1. UN number	3077
14.2. UN proper shipping name	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (Copper Sulphate)
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)	9
14.4. Packing group	III
Notes	-
Tunnel restriction code	3 E
IMDG	
UN-no.	3077
Proper Shipping Name	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (Copper Sulphate)
Class	9
PG*	III
EmS	F-A, S-F
MP**	Yes
Hazardous constituent	-
IATA/ICAO	
UN-no.	3077
Proper Shipping Name	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (Copper Sulphate)
Class	9
PG*	III

#### 14.5. Environmental hazards

This product contains substances which can cause undesirable long-term effects in the water environment, due to its poor biodegradability.

#### **14.6. Special precautions for user** Hazard identification number 90

# 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

No data available

(\*) Packing group

(\*\*) Marine pollutant



#### **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

# 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### **Restrictions for application**

People under the age of 18 must not be exposed to this product cf. Council Directive 94/33/EC. Only for industrial use. Pregnant and nursing women must not be exposed to the effects of this product. The risk, and possible technical precautions or design of the workplace to avoid such risk, must therefore be evaluated.

#### **Demands for specific education**

# **Additional information**

#### Sources

EC regulation 1907/2006 (REACH) Directive 2000/532/EC EC Regulation 1272/2008 (CLP) 2011 Code of Practice, for the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Chemical Agents) Regulations 2001 (S.I. No. 619 of 2001) **15.2. Chemical safety assessment** 

Yes

#### **SECTION 16: Other information**

#### Full text of H-phrases as mentioned in section 3

- H302 Harmful if swallowed.
- H315 Causes skin irritation.
- H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.
- H319 Causes serious eye irritation.
- H350 May cause cancer.
- H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.
- H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
- H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.
- H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

# The full text of identified uses as mentioned in section 1

# Other symbols mentioned in section 2

# Other

It is recommended to hand over this safety data sheet to the actual user of the product. Information in this safety data sheet cannot be used as a product specification.

The information in this safety data sheet applies only to this specific product (mentioned in section 1) and is not necessarily correct for use with other chemicals/products.

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**Emergency numbers** 



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