

Sorbitan sesquioleate

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Material Safety Data Sheet



The Power is Question

Hazard Alert Code Key:

EXTREME

HIGH

MODERATE

LOW

Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

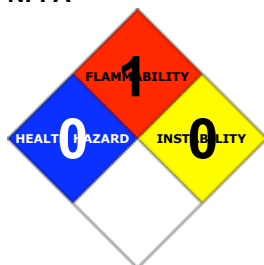
PRODUCT NAME

Sorbitan sesquioleate

STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

CONSIDERED A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCORDING TO OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.

NFPA



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PRODUCT USE

Non-ionic surfactant.

SYNONYMS

C18H34O2.2/3C6H12O5, "sorbitan, (Z)-9-octadecenoate (2:3)", "sorbitan, (9Z)-9-octadecenoate (2:3)", "anhydrohexitol sesquioleate", "Arlacel 83", "Arlacel C", "Crill 16", "Crill K16", "Emasol 41S", "Emsorb 2502", "Emulgator 8972", "Glycolmul SOC", "Hodag SSO", "Liposorb SQO", "Montane 83", "Nikkol SO 15", "Nissan Nonion OP 83", "Protachem SOC", "SO 15", "Sorgen 30", "Span 83"

Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS

	Min	Max
Flammability:	1	
Toxicity:	2	
Body Contact:	2	
Reactivity:	1	
Chronic:	0	

Min/Nil=0
Low=1
Moderate=2
High=3
Extreme=4

CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS

None

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

RISK

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED

- Accidental ingestion of the material may be damaging to the health of the individual.
- Nonionic surfactants may produce localized irritation of the oral or gastrointestinal lining and induce vomiting and mild diarrhea.

EYE

- Limited evidence or practical experience suggests, that the material may cause eye irritation in a substantial number of individuals. Prolonged eye contact may cause inflammation characterized by a temporary redness of the conjunctiva (similar to windburn).
- Non-ionic surfactants can cause numbing of the cornea, which masks discomfort normally caused by other agents and leads to corneal injury. Irritation varies depending on the duration of contact, the nature and concentration of the surfactant.

SKIN

- The liquid may be miscible with fats or oils and may degrease the skin, producing a skin reaction described as non-allergic contact dermatitis. The material is unlikely to produce an irritant dermatitis as described in EC Directives .
- Repeated exposure may cause skin cracking, flaking or drying following normal handling and use.
- Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material.
- Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

INHALED

- The material is not thought to produce either adverse health effects or irritation of the respiratory tract following inhalation (as classified using animal models). Nevertheless, adverse effects have been produced following exposure of animals by at least one other route and good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable control measures be used in an occupational setting.
- Not normally a hazard due to non-volatile nature of product.

CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

- Long-term exposure to the product is not thought to produce chronic effects adverse to the health (as classified using animal models); nevertheless exposure by all routes should be minimized as a matter of course.
- Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause degreasing with drying, cracking and dermatitis following.

Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME	CAS RN	%
sorbitan sesquioleate	8007-43-0	>99

Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

SWALLOWED

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- If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting.
- If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.
- Observe the patient carefully.
- Never give liquid to a person showing signs of being sleepy or with reduced awareness; i.e. becoming unconscious.
- Give water to rinse out mouth, then provide liquid slowly and as much as casualty can comfortably drink.
- Seek medical advice.

EYE

- If this product comes in contact with the eyes:
- Wash out immediately with fresh running water.
- Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
- If pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.
- Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

SKIN

- If skin or hair contact occurs:
- Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).
- Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

INHALED

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- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
- Other measures are usually unnecessary.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

- Treat symptomatically.

Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Vapour Pressure (mmHG):	Not available
Upper Explosive Limit (%):	Not available
Specific Gravity (water=1):	1.00
Lower Explosive Limit (%):	Not available

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

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- Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide.
- Water spray or fog - Large fires only.

FIRE FIGHTING

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- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area.
- Avoid spraying water onto liquid pools.
- Do not approach containers suspected to be hot.
- Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.
- If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.

GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS

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- Combustible.
- Slight fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.
- Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.
- On combustion, may emit toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO).
- May emit acrid smoke.
- Mists containing combustible materials may be explosive.

Combustion products include: carbon dioxide (CO₂), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.

May emit poisonous fumes.

May emit corrosive fumes.

FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

- Avoid contamination with oxidizing agents i.e. nitrates, oxidizing acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

PERSONAL PROTECTION

Glasses:

Safety Glasses.

Chemical goggles.

Gloves:

Respirator:

Type A-P Filter of sufficient capacity

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

MINOR SPILLS

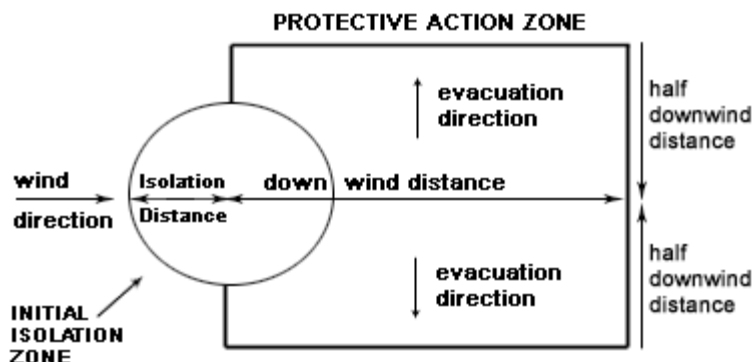
- Slippery when spilt.
- Remove all ignition sources.
- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing vapors and contact with skin and eyes.
- Control personal contact by using protective equipment.
- Contain and absorb spill with sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite.
- Wipe up.
- Place in a suitable labeled container for waste disposal.

MAJOR SPILLS

- Slippery when spilt.
- Moderate hazard.
- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources. Increase ventilation.
- Stop leak if safe to do so.

- Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.
- Collect recoverable product into labeled containers for recycling.
- Absorb remaining product with sand, earth or vermiculite.
- Collect solid residues and seal in labeled drums for disposal.
- Wash area and prevent runoff into drains.
- If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise emergency services.

PROTECTIVE ACTIONS FOR SPILL



From IERG (Canada/Australia)

Isolation Distance -

Downwind Protection Distance -

From US Emergency Response Guide 2000 Guide No guide found.

FOOTNOTES

1 PROTECTIVE ACTION ZONE is defined as the area in which people are at risk of harmful exposure. This zone assumes that random changes in wind direction confines the vapour plume to an area within 30 degrees on either side of the predominant wind direction, resulting in a crosswind protective action distance equal to the downwind protective action distance.

2 PROTECTIVE ACTIONS should be initiated to the extent possible, beginning with those closest to the spill and working away from the site in the downwind direction. Within the protective action zone a level of vapour concentration may exist resulting in nearly all unprotected persons becoming incapacitated and unable to take protective action and/or incurring serious or irreversible health effects.

3 INITIAL ISOLATION ZONE is determined as an area, including upwind of the incident, within which a high probability of localised wind reversal may expose nearly all persons without appropriate protection to life-threatening concentrations of the material.

4 SMALL SPILLS involve a leaking package of 200 litres (55 US gallons) or less, such as a drum (jerrican or box with inner containers). Larger packages leaking less than 200 litres and compressed gas leaking from a small cylinder are also considered "small spills". LARGE SPILLS involve many small leaking packages or a leaking package of greater than 200 litres, such as a cargo tank, portable tank or a "one-tonne" compressed gas cylinder.

5 Guide No guide found. is taken from the US DOT emergency response guide book.

6 IERG information is derived from CANUTEC - Transport Canada.

ACUTE EXPOSURE GUIDELINE LEVELS (AEGL) (in ppm)

AEGL 1: The airborne concentration of a substance above which it is predicted that the general population, including susceptible individuals, could experience notable discomfort, irritation, or certain asymptomatic nonsensory effects. However, the effects are not disabling and are transient and reversible upon cessation of exposure.

AEGL 2: The airborne concentration of a substance above which it is predicted that the general population, including susceptible individuals, could experience irreversible or other serious, long-lasting adverse health effects or an impaired ability to escape.

AEGL 3: The airborne concentration of a substance above which it is predicted that the general population, including susceptible individuals, could experience life-threatening health effects or death.

Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.
- DO NOT enter confined spaces until atmosphere has been checked.
- Avoid smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.
- Avoid physical damage to containers.

- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Work clothes should be laundered separately.
- Use good occupational work practice.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.
- Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions.

RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS

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- Metal can or drum
- Packing as recommended by manufacturer.
- Check all containers are clearly labeled and free from leaks.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

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- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.
- Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS



X: Must not be stored together

O: May be stored together with specific precautions

+: May be stored together

Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS

The following materials had no OELs on our records

• sorbitan sesquiolate: CAS:8007-43-0 CAS:39320-83-7 CAS:59585-62-5

MATERIAL DATA

SORBITAN SESQUIOLEATE:

■ Sensory irritants are chemicals that produce temporary and undesirable side-effects on the eyes, nose or throat. Historically occupational exposure standards for these irritants have been based on observation of workers' responses to various airborne concentrations. Present day expectations require that nearly every individual should be protected against even minor sensory irritation and exposure standards are established using uncertainty factors or safety factors of 5 to 10 or more. On occasion animal no-observable-effect-levels (NOEL) are used to determine these limits where human results are unavailable. An additional approach, typically used by the TLV committee (USA) in determining respiratory standards for this group of chemicals, has been to assign ceiling values (TLV C) to rapidly acting irritants and to assign short-term exposure limits (TLV STELs) when the weight of evidence from irritation, bioaccumulation and other endpoints combine to warrant such a limit. In contrast the MAK Commission (Germany) uses a five-category system based on intensive odour, local irritation, and elimination half-life. However this system is being replaced to be consistent with the European Union (EU) Scientific Committee for Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL); this is more closely allied to that of the USA.

OSHA (USA) concluded that exposure to sensory irritants can:

- cause inflammation
- cause increased susceptibility to other irritants and infectious agents
- lead to permanent injury or dysfunction
- permit greater absorption of hazardous substances and
- acclimate the worker to the irritant warning properties of these substances thus increasing the risk of overexposure.

PERSONAL PROTECTION



Consult your EHS staff for recommendations

EYE

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- Safety glasses with side shields.
- Chemical goggles.
- Contact lenses pose a special hazard; soft lenses may absorb irritants and all lenses concentrate them. DO NOT wear contact lenses.

HANDS/FEET

- Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include: such as:
 - frequency and duration of contact,
 - chemical resistance of glove material,
 - glove thickness and
 - dexterity

Select gloves tested to a relevant standard (e.g. Europe EN 374, US F739).

- When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 5 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 240 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.
- When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 3 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 60 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.
- Contaminated gloves should be replaced.

Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.

Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.

Wear safety footwear or safety gumboots, eg. Rubber.

OTHER

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- Overalls.
- P.V.C. apron.
- Barrier cream.
- Skin cleansing cream.
- Eye wash unit.

RESPIRATOR

- Selection of the Class and Type of respirator will depend upon the level of breathing zone contaminant and the chemical nature of the contaminant. Protection Factors (defined as the ratio of contaminant outside and inside the mask) may also be important.

Breathing Zone Level ppm (volume)	Maximum Protection Factor	Half-face Respirator	Full-Face Respirator
1000	10	A-1 P	-
1000	50	-	A-1 P
5000	50	Airline*	-
5000	100	-	A-2 P
10000	100	-	A-3 P
	100+		Airline**

* - Continuous Flow ** - Continuous-flow or positive pressure demand.

The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required.

Use appropriate NIOSH-certified respirator based on informed professional judgement. In conditions where no reasonable estimate of exposure can be made, assume the exposure is in a concentration IDLH and use NIOSH-certified full face pressure demand SCBA with a minimum service life of 30 minutes, or a combination full facepiece pressure demand SAR with auxiliary self-contained air supply. Respirators provided only for escape from IDLH atmospheres shall be NIOSH-certified for escape from the atmosphere in which they will be used.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

- General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. Local exhaust ventilation may be required in specific circumstances. If risk of overexposure exists, wear an approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant:	Air Speed:
solvent, vapors, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air).	0.25-0.5 m/s (50-100 f/min)
aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active generation)	0.5-1 m/s (100-200 f/min.)
direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)	1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min.)
grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).	2.5-10 m/s (500-2000 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range	Upper end of the range
1: Room air currents minimal or favorable to capture	1: Disturbing room air currents

2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only.

2: Contaminants of high toxicity

3: Intermittent, low production.

3: High production, heavy use

4: Large hood or large air mass in motion

4: Small hood-local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Liquid.

Does not mix with water.

State	Liquid	Molecular Weight	1175.71
Melting Range (°F)	Not available	Viscosity	1000, 25 C cSt@40°C
Boiling Range (°F)	Not available	Solubility in water (g/L)	Immiscible
Flash Point (°F)	>300.2	pH (1% solution)	Not applicable
Decomposition Temp (°F)	Not available.	pH (as supplied)	Not applicable
Autoignition Temp (°F)	Not available	Vapour Pressure (mmHG)	Not available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not available	Specific Gravity (water=1)	1.00
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not available	Relative Vapor Density (air=1)	Not available.
Volatile Component (%vol)	Not available	Evaporation Rate	Not available

APPEARANCE

Oily amber liquid; does not mix with water or propylene glycol. Mixes with mineral oil, cottonseed oil, ethanol and isopropanol. Fire point >149 degC. Viscosity 1000 cP @ 25 degC.

Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY

CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

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- Presence of incompatible materials.
- Product is considered stable.
- Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

- Avoid reaction with oxidizing agents.

For incompatible materials - refer to Section 7 - Handling and Storage.

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

SORBITAN SESQUIOLEATE

TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

- unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.

TOXICITY	IRRITATION
	Skin (rabbit): 0.45 mg Mild
	Eye (rabbit): 3 mg Mild

- For Group D aliphatic esters:(sorbitan fatty esters)

According to a classification scheme described by the American Chemistry Council' Aliphatic Esters Panel, Group D substances are esters of monoacids, mainly common fatty acids, and sorbitan (which is derived from sorbitol - a natural carbohydrate sweetener). The fatty acids include lauric, stearic, oleic acids and coca fatty acids (mainly lauric and myristic acids). The hydroxy group in the sorbitan represents the alcohol portion of the ester linkage. The Group D esters are carbohydrate-derived esters since the ester linkage is connected to the hydroxy group(s) of sorbitan. They may have single ester linkages (i.e., sorbitan monoester) or may have multiple ester linkages, as in the case of sorbitan sesquioleate and sorbitan trioleate. Multiple ester linkages with long-chain fatty acids increase lipophilicity and also tend to diminish water solubility. The sorbitan esters are non-ionic surfactant-active agents that typically find use as emulsifiers, stabilizers, and thickeners in foods, cosmetics and medical products.

Acute toxicity: Sorbitan esters do not represent a toxicological concern since they are derived from naturally occurring materials and the parent esters are ultimately metabolised back to these same natural constituents: namely, sorbitan and common fatty acids, both of which have low orders of toxicity. The oral LD50 in rats ranged from >2.9 g/kg to > 39.8 g/kg. Numerous sorbitan esters have been studied by acute

oral and dermal administration. Results from these studies support the general conclusion that sorbitan fatty acid esters have low orders of acute toxicity.

Repeated Dose Toxicity. A large number of subchronic oral and dermal studies and chronic oral feeding studies have been carried out for sorbitan monolaurate, sorbitan monostearate and sorbitan monooleate. For sorbitan monostearate, no adverse effects were reported in rats fed 5% concentrations of the test substance in the diet for 6 weeks. The NOAEL was estimated to be 5% or approximately 2500 mg/kg/day. In 2-year feeding studies at 5, 10 and 20% in the diet rats tolerated sorbitan monostearate with no adverse effects. However, at 20%, there was a small but significant decrease on growth rate in male rats. Hence, the NOAEL was 10% in the diet or approximately 5000 mg/kg/day in rats, based on these findings. In a 80-week dietary study in mice, no adverse effects were observed for sorbitan monostearate at 2% concentration in the diet and the NOAEL was 2% or approximately 2600 mg/kg/day. Subchronic studies have also been carried out with sorbitan, fatty acids C6-10, tetraester (CAS 228573-47-5). Oral gavage studies for 28 days at dose levels up to 1000 mg/kg /day resulted in no systemic toxicity. Therefore, the NOAEL was 1000 mg/kg/day for this tetraester.

Since the sesquioleate and trioleate of sorbitan are merely multiple ester homologs of sorbitan monooleate, they would be expected to show similar effects, given their structural similarities and potential to be metabolised to the monooleate.

Reproductive and developmental toxicity: Limited reproductive toxicity data have been reported for the sorbitan esters. In a 2-year feeding studies in rats with sorbitan monostearate, there were no effects on gestation and fertility at any dose level (0, 5, 10 and 20% in the diet) but survival of the newborn animals and maternal lactation were slightly diminished at the 20% level. Sorbitol was also studied indirectly as part of a mixture of hydrogenated starch hydrolysates (HSH) which contained about 7% sorbitol as part of the polyhydric alcohol mixture. The HSH mixture was investigated as part of a two-year ingestion study, a multigeneration reproduction study and a teratology study. At concentrations of 18% in drinking water (3000-7000 mg/kg/day), HSH did not produce reproductive or developmental effects. These results indicate that sorbitol does not cause reproductive/ developmental toxicity in animals. Given these findings and the low order of toxicity of natural fatty acids, it seems unlikely that sorbitan esters would present reproductive and developmental toxicity concerns.

Genotoxicity: Sorbitan monostearate (CAS 1338-41-6) was found to be negative in the Ames assay. In addition, the non-HPV substance, sorbitan fatty acid C6-10 tetraester (CAS 228573-47-5), did not cause any mutagenic effects in the Salmonella in vitro test. These substances bridge the low and high carbon range of most of the sorbitan esters and the chemistry of the sorbitan esters (i.e., sorbitan/ sorbitol, natural fatty acids) does not suggest the likelihood that the sorbitan esters are electrophilic or reactive in nature. Thus, it is not likely that the substances in Group D cause mutagenic effects.

Sorbitan monostearate did not transform primary Syrian golden hamster embryo cells. As discussed above for point mutation, the chemistry of the sorbitan esters does not suggest the likelihood that these substances, or their constituent substructures (i.e., sorbitol, fatty acids) are reactive or electrophilic in nature.

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Refer to data for ingredients, which follows:

SORBITAN SESQUIOLEATE:

■ For Group D aliphatic esters:(sorbitan fatty esters)

Environmental fate:

The chain-length of the fatty acid in the sorbitan monoesters influences water solubility, boiling point and lipophilicity. The degree of esterification (monooleate versus trioleate) will also influence these properties. Hence, the water solubility of sorbitan monolaurate (C12 acid) (CAS 1338-39-2) is predicted to be much greater than that of sorbitan monostearate or sorbitan monooleate (C18 acids). The monooleate was predicted to have greater solubility in water than the corresponding sesquioleate or trioleate ester of sorbitan.

Biodegradation:

The biodegradation of sorbitan monolaurate, sorbitan monooleate and sorbitan, fatty acid C6-10 tetraester (CAS 228573-47-5), has been reported. These three sorbitan esters were biodegraded to the extent of 60-70% in 28-days, which indicate these materials undergo metabolism and degradation extensively in the aerobic environment. The sorbitan esters tested covered the range of carbon numbers (C18-C38) and included relatively water soluble (i.e., sorbitan monolaurate) as well as water-insoluble [i.e., sorbitan fatty acid C6-10 tetraester (CAS 228573-47-5)] members of the group. The high degree of biodegradation (70% in 28 days) for sorbitan tetraester (CAS 228573-47-5), in spite of its poor water solubility, indicates that enzymatic cleavage of the multiple ester linkage must be taking place in order to achieve the observed level of biodegradation. This would be consistent with the fact that fatty acids (e.g., oleic, stearic acid) arising from enzymatic ester bond cleavage of the sorbitan esters would be expected to be rapidly biodegraded. In addition, enzymatic ester cleavage of sorbitan trioleate and sesquioleate would lead to sorbitan monooleate, for which biodegradation data exist. Thus, there is sufficient information to "read-across" for the other sorbitan esters, based on the available data and the similarities in chemistry and metabolism.

Ecotoxicity:

Aquatic toxicity data have been reported for the sorbitan esters. Sorbitan monolaurate and sorbitan monooleate have been tested. In addition sorbitan fatty acid C6-10 tetraester (CAS 228573-47-5), has also been evaluated in fish, daphnia and algae. These findings indicate that the sorbitan esters are not acutely toxic to aquatic organisms. The available data covered the range of water-soluble (e.g., monolaurate) and water-insoluble sorbitan esters (e.g., C6-C10 acid tetraester). Most of the sorbitan esters have limited water solubility and for this reason are not likely to cause acute aquatic toxicity. In addition, metabolism of sorbitan sesquioleate and sorbitan trioleate will generate sorbitan monooleate, for which aquatic toxicity data exist. Thus, there is sufficient information to "read-across" for the other sorbitan esters, based on the available data and chemical similarities of sorbitan esters in general.

■ DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Instructions

All waste must be handled in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

† Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/ or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked.

A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate:

- Reduction
- Reuse
- Recycling

- Disposal (if all else fails)

This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. If it has been contaminated, it may be possible to reclaim the product by filtration, distillation or some other means. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate.

DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning equipment to enter drains. Collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.

- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- Consult Waste Management Authority for disposal.
- Bury or incinerate residue at an approved site.
- Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorized landfill.

Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS: DOT, IATA, IMDG

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

REGULATIONS

sorbitan sesquioleate (CAS: 8007-43-0,39320-83-7,59585-62-5) is found on the following regulatory lists;

"OECD Representative List of High Production Volume (HPV) Chemicals", "US Cosmetic Ingredient Review (CIR) Cosmetic ingredients found safe as used", "US EPA High Production Volume Program Chemical List", "US Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) - Inventory"

Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

LIMITED EVIDENCE

- Ingestion may produce health damage*.
- May produce discomfort of the eyes*.
- Repeated exposure potentially causes skin dryness and cracking*.

* (limited evidence).

Ingredients with multiple CAS Nos

Ingredient Name	CAS
sorbitan sesquioleate	8007-43-0, 39320-83-7, 59585-62-5

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■ Classification of the mixture and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at:
www.chemwatch.net/references.

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