

Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Cetyl Alcohol

Signal Word
WARNING

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Pictograms

SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Skin and serious eye damage, corrosion or irritation (Category 2, 2A). Causes skin and serious eye irritation (H315+H319).



Hazard class: Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure; respiratory tract irritation (Category 3). May cause respiratory irritation (H335). Avoid breathing dust and fumes (P261).

SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Cetyl alcohol	36653-82-4	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₁₄ CH ₂ OH	242.43	
Synonyms: 1-Hexadecanol				

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell (P312). **If inhaled:** Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing (P304+P340). **If in eyes:** Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing (P305+P351+P338). **If eye irritation persists eyes:** Get medical advice or attention (P337+P313). **If on skin:** Wash with plenty of water (P302+P352). **If skin irritation occurs:** Get medical advice or attention (P332+P313). **If swallowed:** Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Combustible solid.

NFPA Code

Flash point: 110 °C Flammable limits: Lower: 1% Upper: 8% Autoignition Temperature: 251 °C

None established

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Ventilate area. Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #2. Store with alcohols, glycols, amines and amides. Keep container tightly closed (P233). Use only in a hood or well-ventilated area (P271).

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection (P280). Wash hands thoroughly after handling (P264). Use only in a hood or well-ventilated area (P271).

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

White powder or flakes. Faint citrus-like odor.	Boiling point: 180 °C
Soluble: Partially in alcohol and ether. Insoluble in water.	Melting point: 54-56 °C
	Specific gravity: 0.82

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with strong oxidizers.
Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritant	ORL-RAT LD ₅₀ : 5 g/kg
Chronic effects: N.A.	IHL-RAT LC ₅₀ : 2220 mg/m ³ /6H
Target organs: Eyes, skin, and respiratory tract.	SKN-RBT LD ₅₀ : greater than 2600 mg/kg

SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.
Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #18b is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Not regulated. Hazard class: N/A. UN number: N/A.

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (253-149-0).

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

N/A = Not applicable

Consult your copy of the Flinn Science Catalog/Reference Manual for additional information about laboratory chemicals.

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