

Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Congo Red

Signal Word
DANGER

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Pictograms

SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Carcinogenicity (Category 1). May cause cancer (H350). Obtain special instructions before use (P201). Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood (P202). Use personal protective equipment as required (P281). A probable human carcinogen (IARC-2A).



Hazard class: Reproductive toxicity (Category 2). May damage fertility or the unborn child (H361). Obtain special instructions before use (P201).



Hazard class: Serious eye damage or irritation (Category 2A). Causes serious eye irritation (H319).

SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Congo red	573-58-0	C ₃₂ H ₂₂ N ₆ Na ₂ O ₆ S ₂	696.67	
Synonyms: Direct red 28; Cotton red; C.I. 22120				

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice or attention (P308+P313).

If inhaled: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

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.

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable solid.

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

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

NFPA Code
None established

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Ventilate area and 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 #9. Store with dyes, indicators and stains.

Keep container tightly closed. Store in a cool, dry place.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection (P280). Wash hands thoroughly after handling (P264). Will stain skin, clothing, and surfaces.

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Dark brown-red powder. Odorless.

Absorbance maximum: 497 nm

Soluble: Water and alcohol

Biological stain.

pH indicator: 3.0 blue to 5.0 red.

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with strong oxidizers.

Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Toxic and eye irritant.

ORL-RAT LD₅₀: 15,200 mg/kg

Chronic effects: N.A.

IHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A.

Target organs: N.A.

SKN-RBT LD₅₀: N.A.

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 #26a 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 (209-358-4).

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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