

SDS #: 550

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1/20/2025: File reviewed; more current MSDS/SDS not available. CAS

Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Signal Word WARNING

Ninhydrin

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Chemtrec Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-10052

Pictograms

SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Acute toxicity, oral (Category 4). Harmful if swallowed (H302). Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product (P270).



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 or fumes (P261).

SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Ninhydrin hydrate	485-47-2	C ₆ H ₄ -1,2-(CO) ₂ CO •H ₂ O	195.15	
Synonyms: 1,2,3,-Indantrione, monohydrate				

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 (P302+P301+P312).

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Noncombustible solid.

NFPA Code

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

None established

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

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Wipe 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 #2. Store with alcohols, glycols, amines and amides.

Light sensitive. Store in a Flinn Chem-SafTM bag in a dark, cool, dry place.

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 to yellowish crystals or powder. Characteristic Melting point: 240-245 °C

odor of

fresh paint. Turns red when heated above 100 °C.

Soluble: Water and alcohol

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid strong bases and amines.

Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly, light sensitive.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritant. ORL-RAT LDL₀: 250 mg/kg

Nausea and vomiting if ingested (may be delayed). IHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A. Chronic effects: N.A. SKN-RBT LD₅₀: N.A.

Target organs: Eyes, skin, and respiratory tract.

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 (207-618-1).

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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