

Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Barium Sulfate

Signal Word
N/A

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Pictograms

SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This chemical is considered nonhazardous according to GHS classifications for the Hazard Communication Standard. Treat all laboratory chemicals with caution.

Although this material is considered to be nonhazardous, unpredictable reactions among chemicals are always possible. Prudent laboratory practices should be observed.

SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Barium sulfate	7727-43-7	BaSO ₄	233.43	
Synonyms: Barite				

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

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.

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, noncombustible 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: Inorganic #2. Store with acetates, halides, sulfates, sulfites, thiosulfates and phosphates. Store in a cool, dry place.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Exposure guidelines: PEL 15 mg/m³ (OSHA); TLV 5 mg/m³ (inhalable fraction) (ACGIH)

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

White, heavy powder. Odorless.

Melting point: 1580 °C (decomposes @ 1600 °C)

Soluble: Insoluble in water.

Specific gravity: 4.3

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with aluminum and phosphorus.

Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: N.A.

ORL-RAT LD₅₀: N.A.

Chronic effects: Prolonged inhalation of dust may cause baritosis, a benign pneumoconiosis. If ingested, the presence of soluble barium salts as impurities may cause toxic reactions due to bioaccumulation.

IHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A.

SKN-RBT LD₅₀: N.A.

Target organs: 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 (231-784-4), RCRA D005.

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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