

## Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Nitric Acid Solution 1 M - 8 M

Signal Word  
**DANGER**

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Chemtrec Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-10056

Pictograms

### SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Oxidizing liquids; Oxidizing solids (Category 2). May intensify fire; oxidizer (H272). Keep away from heat, sparks, open flames, and hot surfaces. No smoking (P210).



Hazard class: Skin corrosion or irritation (Category 1). Causes severe skin burns and eye damage (H314). Do not breathe mist, vapors or spray (P260).



Hazard class: Acute toxicity, inhalation (Category 4). Harmful if inhaled (H332).

Avoid contact with acetic acid and readily oxidized substances.

Industrial exposure to nitric acid vapors and mists is listed as a known human carcinogen by IARC (IARC-1).

### SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Nitric acid	7697-37-2	HNO <sub>3</sub>	63.01	17-32%
Water	7732-18-5	H <sub>2</sub> O	18.00	68-83%

### 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 (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 on skin or hair:** Immediately remove all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water (P303+P361+P353).

**If swallowed:** Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting (P301+P330+P331).

### SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable, noncombustible solution, but a strong oxidizer.

Dangerous fire risk in contact with acetic acid, combustible or organic materials.

NFPA Code  
H-3

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.  
In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

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R-0

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## **SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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Remove all ignition sources and ventilate area. Contain the spill with sand or other inert absorbent material, neutralize with sodium bicarbonate or calcium hydroxide, and deposit in a sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

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## **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

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Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #3. Store with amides, nitrates, nitrites and azides. Store in a dedicated acid cabinet and away from any source of water; if an acid cabinet is not available, store in a Flinn Saf-Cube™. Never store with acetic acid. Keep and store away from clothing and combustible materials (P220). Take any precautions to avoid mixing with combustibles (P221). Use only in a hood or well-ventilated area (P271).

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## **SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION**

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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).

Exposure guidelines: (as nitric acid) PEL 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (OSHA); TLV 5.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup> STEL 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (ACGIH)

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## **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

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Transparent, colorless or yellow corrosive liquid. Acrid    pH <1>  
odor.

Soluble: Miscible with water.

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## **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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Avoid contact with bases, alcohols, alkali and other earth metals, metals, plastics, hydrogen peroxide, organic materials, amines, acetic acid, and other readily oxidized substances. Corrodes metals and most plastics.

Shelf life: Fair, product may turn yellow due to release of nitrogen dioxide on exposure to light. See Section 7 for further information.

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## **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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Acute effects: Eye, skin, mucous membrane irritation.	ORL-HUM LD <sub>50</sub> : 430 mg/kg (as nitric acid)
Chronic effects: Dental erosion, chronic bronchitis.	IHL-RAT LC <sub>50</sub> : 244 ppm/0.5 hr (as nitric acid)
Target organs: Eyes, skin, respiratory system, teeth.	SKN-RBT LD <sub>50</sub> : N.A.

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## **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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May be harmful to aquatic organisms.

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## **SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #24b is one option.

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## **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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Shipping name: Nitric acid. Hazard class: 8, Corrosive. UN number: NA1760.

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## **SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (231-714-2), RCRA code D001, D002, D003.

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## **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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