



# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Product and Company Identification

**Material name** CERIC AMMONIUM NITRATE, ETCHANT GRADE  
**Catalog #** 7683  
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**CAS #** 16774-21-3  
**Synonym(s)** AMMONIUM HEXANITRATOCERATE \* AMMONIUM CERIC NITRATE \*  
HEXANITRATOAMMONIUM CERATE  
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## 2. Hazards Identification

**Emergency overview** DANGER -- OXIDIZER  
Contact with combustible material may cause fire.  
  
Irritating to skin. Irritating to eyes. Irritating to respiratory system.  
**OSHA regulatory status** This product is considered hazardous under 29 CFR 1910.1200 (Hazard Communication).  
**Potential health effects**  
**Routes of exposure** Inhalation. Skin contact. Eye contact.  
**Eyes** Causes eye irritation.  
**Skin** Irritating to skin.  
**Inhalation** Irritating to respiratory system.  
**Ingestion** Do not ingest.  
**Potential environmental effects** Ecological injuries are not known or expected under normal use.

## 3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

Components	CAS #	Percent
CERIC AMMONIUM NITRATE	16774-21-3	90 - 100

## 4. First Aid Measures

**First aid procedures**  
**Eye contact** Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical attention if irritation persists after washing.  
**Skin contact** Remove and isolate contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash off immediately with plenty of water. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.  
**Inhalation** Move to fresh air. For breathing difficulties, oxygen may be necessary.  
**Ingestion** Have victim rinse mouth thoroughly with water. Do not induce vomiting without advice from poison control center.  
**General advice** Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves.

## 5. Fire Fighting Measures

<b>Flammable properties</b>	May explode from heat or contamination. Contact with combustible material may cause fire. These substances will accelerate burning when involved in a fire. Runoff may create fire or explosion hazard.
<b>Extinguishing media</b>	
<b>Suitable extinguishing media</b>	Water. Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ).
<b>Protection of firefighters</b>	
<b>Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters</b>	Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in enclosed spaces, SCBA. Do not move cargo or vehicle if cargo has been exposed to heat. If tank, rail car or tank truck is involved in a fire, ISOLATE for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions; also consider initial evacuation for 800 meters (1/2 mile) in all directions. ALWAYS stay away from tanks engulfed in flame. Fight fire from maximum distance or use unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. In the event of fire, cool tanks with water spray. Use water spray to cool unopened containers. Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out. For massive fire in cargo area, use unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles, if possible. If not, withdraw and let fire burn out.
<b>Specific methods</b>	In the event of fire, cool tanks with water spray. Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

## 6. Accidental Release Measures

<b>Personal precautions</b>	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Isolate spill or leak area immediately for at least 50 to 100 meters (150 to 330 feet) in all directions. Keep upwind. Keep out of low areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing.
<b>Environmental precautions</b>	Runoff from fire control or dilution water may cause pollution.
<b>Methods for containment</b>	Stop leak if you can do so without risk. Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc.) away from spilled material. Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas.
<b>Methods for cleaning up</b>	Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

## 7. Handling and Storage

<b>Handling</b>	Do not handle or store near an open flame, heat or other sources of ignition. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Avoid contact with skin. Avoid contact with eyes. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wear personal protective equipment. Wash thoroughly after handling.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep container tightly closed. Do not store near combustible materials. Use care in handling/storage.

## 8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

<b>Engineering controls</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.
<b>Personal protective equipment</b>	
<b>Respiratory protection</b>	Respirator must be worn if exposed to dust. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
<b>Hand protection</b>	Wear protective gloves. Rubber gloves.
<b>Eye / face protection</b>	Avoid contact with eyes. Wear chemical goggles.
<b>Skin protection</b>	Avoid contact with the skin. Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing. Wear protective gloves.
<b>General hygiene considerations</b>	When using do not smoke. Avoid contact with eyes. Avoid contact with skin. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.
<b>General</b>	Avoid contact with skin. Avoid contact with eyes.

## 9. Physical & Chemical Properties

<b>Appearance</b>	Crystalline.
<b>Color</b>	Yellow-orange.
<b>Odor</b>	Slight characteristic odor.
<b>Odor threshold</b>	Not available.

<b>Physical state</b>	Solid.
<b>Form</b>	Solid.
<b>pH</b>	Not available.
<b>Melting point</b>	Not available.
<b>Freezing point</b>	Not available.
<b>Boiling point</b>	Not available.
<b>Flash point</b>	Not available.
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability limits in air, upper, % by volume</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability limits in air, lower, % by volume</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor pressure</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor density</b>	Not available.
<b>Specific gravity</b>	Not available.
<b>Relative density</b>	Not available.
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	Soluble
<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>	Not available.
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	Not available.
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	188.6 °F (87 °C) Slowly decomposes to ceric oxide
<b>Molecular weight</b>	548.2300 g/mol
<b>Molecular formula</b>	(NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Ce(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>6</sub>

## 10. Chemical Stability & Reactivity Information

<b>Chemical stability</b>	Stable at normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	High temperatures.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Combustible material. Reducing agents
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	May include oxides of nitrogen.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

## 11. Toxicological Information

<b>Local effects</b>	Irritating to respiratory system. Irritating to eyes. Irritating to skin.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	This product is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or OSHA.

## 12. Ecological Information

<b>Ecotoxicity</b>	This product has no known eco-toxicological effects.
<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	Not available.

## 13. Disposal Considerations

<b>Waste codes</b>	D001: Waste Flammable material with a flash point <140 F
<b>Disposal instructions</b>	Dispose of this material and its container at hazardous or special waste collection point. Do not incinerate sealed containers. If discarded, this product is considered a RCRA ignitable waste, D001. Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

## 14. Transport Information

### DOT

#### Basic shipping requirements:

**Proper shipping name** Nitrates, inorganic, n.o.s.

**Hazard class** 5.1

**UN number** UN1477

**Packing group** III

#### Additional information:

**Special provisions** IB8, IP3, T1, TP33

**Packaging exceptions** 152

**Packaging non bulk** 213

**Packaging bulk** 240

**ERG number** 140



## 15. Regulatory Information

**US federal regulations** This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.  
All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory List.

CERCLA/SARA Hazardous Substances - Not applicable.

### CERCLA (Superfund) reportable quantity

None

### Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

**Hazard categories** Immediate Hazard - Yes  
Delayed Hazard - No  
Fire Hazard - Yes  
Pressure Hazard - No  
Reactivity Hazard - No

**Section 302 extremely hazardous substance** No

**Section 311 hazardous chemical** Yes

### Inventory status

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of New and Existing Chemicals (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	No
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

**State regulations** This product does not contain a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

## 16. Other Information

**Further information** HMIS® is a registered trade and service mark of the NPCA.

**HMIS® ratings**

Health: 2  
Flammability: 0  
Physical hazard: 1

**NFPA ratings**

Health: 2  
Flammability: 0  
Instability: 0  
Special hazards: OX

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