

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Nitric acid

Product Number : V800281  
Brand : Vetec  
CAS-No. : 7697-37-2

### 1.2 Other means of identification

No data available

### 1.3 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : For R&D use only. Not for pharmaceutical, household or other uses.

### 1.4 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Merck Life Science Pty Ltd  
Ground Floor, Building 1, 885 Mountain Highway  
BAYSWATER VIC 3153  
AUSTRALIA

Telephone : +61 1800 800 097  
E-mail address : customersupport.anz@merckgroup.com

### 1.5 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone # : Free call (24/7): 1800 862 115  
Int'l (24/7): +61 2 9037 2994  
(CHEMTREC)

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1 GHS Classification

Oxidizing liquids (Category 3), H272  
Corrosive to Metals (Category 1), H290  
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 3), H331  
Skin corrosion/irritation (Sub-category 1A), H314  
Serious eye damage/eye irritation (Category 1), H318

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

### 2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal Word : Danger

Hazard Statements

H272 : May intensify fire; oxidizer.  
H290 : May be corrosive to metals.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
H331 Toxic if inhaled.

#### Precautionary Statements

##### Prevention

P210 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.  
P220 Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.  
P261 Avoid breathing mist or vapors.  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

##### Response

P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.  
P304 + P340 + P310 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.  
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.  
P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.

##### Storage

P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

### 2.3 Other hazards

Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Substance / Mixture : Substance

### 3.1 Substances

Formula : HNO<sub>3</sub>  
Molecular weight : 63.01 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 7697-37-2  
EC-No. : 231-714-2  
Index-No. : 007-004-00-1

#### Hazardous ingredients

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>nitric acid</b>		
	Ox. Liq. 3; Met. Corr. 1; Acute Tox. 3; Skin Corr./Irrit. 1A; Eye Dam./Irrit. 1; H272, H290, H331, H314, H318 Concentration limits: >= 1 %: Met. Corr. 1, H290; >= 65 %: Ox. Liq. 3, H272; >= 20 %: Skin Corr. 1A, H314; 5 - < 20 %: Skin Corr. 1B, H314;	<= 100 %

	>= 3 %: Eye Dam. 1, H318; 1 - < 3 %: Eye Irrit. 2, H319; 1 - < 5 %: Skin Irrit. 2, H315;	
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For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

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## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### General advice

First aiders need to protect themselves. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. Immediately call in physician. If breathing stops: immediately apply artificial respiration, if necessary also oxygen.

#### In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Call a physician immediately.

#### In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Immediately call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

#### If swallowed

After swallowing: make victim drink water (two glasses at most), avoid vomiting (risk of perforation). Call a physician immediately. Do not attempt to neutralise.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

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## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

#### Unsuitable extinguishing media

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Nitrogen oxides (NOx)

Not combustible.

Has a fire-promoting effect due to release of oxygen.

Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

### 5.4 Further information

Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

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## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.

For personal protection see section 8.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up carefully with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

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## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

#### Advice on safe handling

Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture. Avoid generation of vapours/aerosols.

#### Advice on protection against fire and explosion

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

#### Hygiene measures

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

For precautions see section 2.2.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

#### Storage conditions

No metal containers.

Tightly closed. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons. Separately or together with other oxidising substances only and away from sources of ignition and heat. Because of their oxidation potential these products can raise the burning rate of combustible substances substantially or ignite combustible substances on contact with them.

#### Storage class

Storage class (TRGS 510): 5.1A: Strongly oxidizing hazardous materials

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.3 no other specific uses are stipulated.

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## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
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nitric acid	7697-37-2	TWA	2 ppm 5.2 mg/m3	Australia. Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants.
		STEL	4 ppm 10 mg/m3	Australia. Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants.

## 8.2 Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Tightly fitting safety goggles

#### Skin protection

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: [www.kcl.de](http://www.kcl.de)).

Splash contact

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.7 mm

Break through time: 60 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 898)

#### Body Protection

Acid-resistant protective clothing

#### Respiratory protection

required when vapours/aerosols are generated. Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

#### Control of environmental exposure

Do not let product enter drains.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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|--|--------------------------|
| a) Physical state                          | liquid                   |
| b) Color                                   | colorless                |
| c) Odor                                    | stinging                 |
| d) Melting point/freezing point            | Melting point: -41.59 °C |
| e) Initial boiling point and boiling range | 100 °C at 1,013 hPa      |
| f) Flammability (solid, gas)               | No data available        |

g) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
h) Flash point	No data available
i) Autoignition temperature	No data available
j) Decomposition temperature	No data available
k) pH	< 1 at 20 °C
l) Viscosity	Viscosity, kinematic: No data available Viscosity, dynamic: 0.746 mPa.s at 25 °C
m) Water solubility	1,000 g/l at 20 °C - soluble, (development of heat)
n) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: -2.3 - Bioaccumulation is not expected.
o) Vapor pressure	10 hPa at 20 °C
p) Density	1.51 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 20 °C
Relative density	No data available
q) Relative vapor density	No data available
r) Particle characteristics	No data available
s) Explosive properties	Not classified as explosive.
t) Oxidizing properties	The substance or mixture is classified as oxidizing with the category 3.

## 9.2 Other safety information

Dissociation constant	-1.3
Relative vapor density	2.04

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

strong oxidising agent

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Sensitivity to light

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Risk of explosion with:

Acetone  
acetonitrile  
acetylidene  
Alcohols  
anilines  
antimony hydride  
arsenic hydride

organic combustible substances  
phosphides  
benzene/benzene derivatives  
Amines  
alkenes  
Halogenated hydrocarbon  
Ether  
hydrazine and derivatives  
Sulfides  
Dioxane  
acetic acid  
Acetic anhydride  
Fluorine  
glycerol  
rubber  
oils  
chlorates  
potassium permanganate  
Hydrocarbons  
Copper  
lithium silicide  
organic solvent  
Cyanides  
Powdered metals  
Methanol  
Ketones  
organic nitro compounds  
nonmetallic halides  
mercury(II) nitrate  
Reducing agents  
sulphur dioxide  
cyanide complexes  
Titanium  
hydrogen peroxide  
Tin  
sugars  
formaldehyde  
Impurities  
dichloromethane  
Diethyl ether  
ethanol  
Boranes  
Ethylene glycol  
with  
Heat.  
Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapours with:  
Amines  
Ammonia  
combustible substances  
Aldehydes  
hydrogen iodide  
Potassium  
magnesium  
sodium  
hydrides  
iodides  
phosphorus

pyridine  
hydrogen sulphide  
turpentine oils and/or turpentine substitutes  
halogen-halogen compounds  
anilines  
furfuryl alcohol  
Exothermic reaction with:  
Nitriles  
formic acid  
antimony  
arsenic  
selenium  
Boron  
Lithium  
nonmetallic halides  
strong alkalis  
nitrides  
sodium hypochlorite  
Uranium  
semimetals  
Water  
ferric oxide  
in powder form  
Generates dangerous gases or fumes in contact with:  
conc. sulfuric acid

#### **10.4 Conditions to avoid**

May discolor on exposure to air and light.  
no information available

#### **10.5 Incompatible materials**

Cellulose, Metals  
Contact with metals may lead to the formation of nitrous gases and hydrogen.

#### **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

In the event of fire: see section 5

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### **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

#### **11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

##### **Acute toxicity**

Oral: No data available

Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 4 h - 2.65 mg/l - vapor

(Expert judgment)

Dermal: No data available

##### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Causes severe burns.

Remarks: (IUCLID)

Remarks: Causes poorly healing wounds.

##### **Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Causes burns.

Remarks: (IUCLID)



Remarks: Causes serious eye damage.

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

No data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: Salmonella typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

**Carcinogenicity**

No data available

**Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**11.2 Additional Information**

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

**12.1 Toxicity**

No data available

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

The methods for determining the biological degradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

No data available

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

**12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties**

No data available

**12.7 Other adverse effects**

May be harmful to aquatic organisms due to the shift of the pH.

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Product

Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

### 14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: 2031

IMDG: 2031

IATA-DGR: 2031

### 14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: NITRIC ACID

IMDG: NITRIC ACID

IATA-DGR: Nitric acid

Passenger Aircraft: Not permitted for transport

### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 8 (5.1)

IMDG: 8 (5.1)

IATA-DGR: 8 (5.1)

### 14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: I

IMDG: I

IATA-DGR: I

### 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

IATA-DGR: no

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

None

### 14.7 Incompatible materials

Cellulose, Metals Contact with metals may lead to the formation of nitrous gases and hydrogen.

#### Other regulations

Hazchem Code : 2P

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## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Therapeutic Goods (Poisons Standard)  
Instrument

: No poison schedule number  
allocated

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## SECTION 16: Other information

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

H272	May intensify fire; oxidizer.
H290	May be corrosive to metals.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H331	Toxic if inhaled.

**Further information**

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