

# Material Safety Data Sheet

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## Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

Cat#: 00380

Part Name: PARAFORMALDEHYDE EM GRADE POWDER

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## Section 2: Composition/ Information on Ingredients

Item#	Name	CAS#	% in product
1	Paraformaldehyde	030525894	100

### OSHA (ACGIH) Exposure Limits

CAS#	IDLH	TWA		STEL		CEILING	
		ppm	mg/	ppm	mg/m3	ppm	mg/m3
030525894	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
OSHA		NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
ACGIH		NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE

## Section 3: Hazards Identification

Causes skin, eye and respiratory tract irritation.

Flammable solid.

Harmful if inhaled or swallowed.

Hazard Ratings:

These ratings are Polysciences' Inc. own assessments of the properties of the material using the ANSI/NFPA 704 Standard. Additional information can be found by consulting in the NFPA published ratings lists (List 325 and List 49).

If no data is listed the information is not available.

Health	Flammability	Reactivity
3	1	0

## Section 4: First Aid Measures

Contact medical personnel if discomfort persists.

Flush eyes with flowing water for at least 15 minutes.

If breathing is difficult, contact emergency personnel.

If swallowed, induce vomiting as directed by medical personnel.

If swallowed, wash out mouth with water if person is conscious.

Remove contaminated clothing.

Remove to fresh air.

Separate eyelids with finger tips.

Wash skin with deluge of water for at least 15 minutes.

## Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

Flash point, deg F.: 188

Method: TCC

UEL: 73.0%

LEL: 7.0%

Autoignition temperature, deg. F.: nav

Flammability Classification: IIIA

Flame Propagation Rate: nav

Hazardous Combustion Products: formaldehyde carbon monoxide

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

Any information listed below is to be considered in addition to internal guidelines for isolation of spill, containment of spill, removal of ignition sources from immediate area, and collection for disposal of spill by trained, properly protected clean up personnel.

Protect personnel from exposure.

Remove ignition sources.

Sweep up solids.

Use appropriate personal protective equipment.

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

Store at room temp

**Section 8: Exposure Controls/ Personal Protection**

The use of eye protection in the form of safety glasses with side shields and the use of skin protection for hands in the form of gloves are considered minimum and non-discretionary in work places and laboratories. Any recommended personal protection equipment or environmental equipment is to be considered as additional to safety glasses and gloves.

Use chemical splash goggles and face shield.

Use latex or equivalent gloves.

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls.

**Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

Formula:	nav	vapor pressure:	1.45 mm Hg @ 25 C
Formula Weight:	~600	vapor density:	1.03
boiling point:	nap	Specific gravity:	0
melting point:	120 C to 170 C	ph:	no data
solubility:	soluble	appearance:	white powder formaldehyde odor

**Section 10: Stability and Reactivity**

Chemical Stabilit stable

Conditions to Avoid: heat, sparks, flame

Incompatibility with other materials: alkalis, acids, amines, phenols, oxygen, hydrogen peroxide, copper, iron, and silver salts

Hazardous Decomposition Products: formaldehyde gas, oxides of carbon

Hazardous Polymerization: will not occur

**Section 11: Toxicological Information**

Acute Data: LD50 oral rats 0.68 g/kg, LC50 inhalation rats 1.1 mg/L 4 hrs

Subchronic data: formaldehyde is mutagenic and carcinogenic

**Section 12: Ecological Information**

Concentrations from 50 to 200 mg/l in water are fatal for superior aquatic life.

Concentrations from 1-2 mg/l prevent bacterial and other microorganisms from growing.

**Section 13: Disposal Considerations**

The following chart lists the status of the chemical and its components in reference to 40 CFR Part 261.33. If the product is listed by code number the substance may be subject to special federal and state disposal regulations. If no codes are listed the material must be disposed in compliance with all Federal, State and Local Regulations.

CAS#	Waste Code	Regulated Name
030525894	not listed	not listed

**Section 14: Transportation Data**

Refer to bill of lading or container label for DOT or other transportation hazard classification , if any.

**Section 15: Regulatory Information**

All components of this product are on the TSCA public inventory.

Prop 65 - Column A identifies those items which are known to the State of California to cause cancer. Column B identified items which are known to the State of California to cause reproductive toxicity.

CAS#	Column A	Column B
030525894	no	no

State Regulatory Information :If a CAS# is listed below this material is subject to the listed state right-to-know requirements.

CAS#	MA	PA
030525894		

SARA Toxic Release Chemicals(as defined in Section 313 of SARA Title III)

This list identifies the toxic chemicals, including their de minimis concentrations for which reporting is required under Section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA). The list is also referred to as the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) List.

CAS#	Regulated name	de minimis conc. %	Rep. Thres.
030525894	not listed	not listed	not listed

SARA Extremely Hazardous Substances and TPQs

This list includes hazardous chemicals as defined in 29 CFR 1910.1200(c); and extremely hazardous substances regulated under Section 302 of SARA Title III with their TPQs (in pounds), as listed in 40 CFR 355, Appendices A and B.

CAS#	Regulated name	TPQ (pounds)	EHS-RQ(pounds)

030525894

not listed

not listed

not listed

CERCLA

The hazardous substances, and their reportable quantities (RQs) are listed in the federal regulations at 40 CFR Part 302, Table 302.4. Release of a CERCLA hazardous substance in an amount equal to or greater than its RQ, in any 24-hour period, must be reported to the National Response Center at (800) 424-8802.

CAS#	Regulated name	RQ (pounds)
030525894	Not listed	Not listed

**Section 16: Other Information**

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