

**Safety Data Sheet**  
**ASCORBIC ACID**

Version 1.1

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**SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

**Product name** : ASCORBIC ACID  
**CAS Name** : 50-81-7

**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use**

**Recommended use** : Industrial chemical

**Manufacturer or supplier's details**

**Company** : Univar Solutions USA, Inc.  
**Address** : 3075 Highland Pkwy Suite 200  
Downers Grove, IL 60515  
United States of America (USA)

**Emergency telephone number:**

Transport North America: CHEMTREC (1-800-424-9300)  
CHEMTREC INTERNATIONAL Tel # 703-527-3887

**Additional Information:** : Responsible Party: Product Compliance Department  
E-mail: SDSNA@univarsolutions.com  
SDS Requests: 1-855-429-2661  
Website: www.univarsolutions.com

**SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****GHS Classification**

Combustible dust :

**GHS label elements**

Signal word : Warning

Hazard statements : May form combustible dust concentrations in air.

**Other hazards**

None known.

**SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Substance / Mixture : Substance

**Hazardous components**

No hazardous ingredients

**SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

**General advice** : Move out of dangerous area.  
Consult a physician.  
Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.  
Do not leave the victim unattended.

**If inhaled** : If unconscious, place in recovery position and seek medical advice.  
If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**In case of skin contact** : Immediate medical treatment is necessary as untreated

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	wounds from corrosion of the skin heal slowly and with difficulty. If on skin, rinse well with water. If on clothes, remove clothes.
In case of eye contact	: Small amounts splashed into eyes can cause irreversible tissue damage and blindness. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital. Remove contact lenses. Protect unharmed eye. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist.
If swallowed	: Keep respiratory tract clear. Do NOT induce vomiting. Do not give milk or alcoholic beverages. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If symptoms persist, call a physician. Take victim immediately to hospital.

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**SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Suitable extinguishing media	: Dry powder Foam Water spray
Unsuitable extinguishing media	: High volume water jet
Specific hazards during fire-fighting	: Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.
Hazardous combustion products	: No hazardous combustion products are known
Further information	: Collect contaminated fire extinguishing water separately. This must not be discharged into drains. Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations.
Special protective equipment for firefighters	: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

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**SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	: Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing dust.
Environmental precautions	: Prevent product from entering drains. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. If the product contaminates rivers and lakes or drains inform respective authorities.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	: Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

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**SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

- Advice on protection against fire and explosion : Avoid dust formation. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.
- Advice on safe handling : Avoid formation of respirable particles.  
Do not breathe vapours/dust.  
Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
For personal protection see section 8.  
Smoking, eating and drinking should be prohibited in the application area.  
Dispose of rinse water in accordance with local and national regulations.
- Conditions for safe storage : Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.  
Observe label precautions.  
Electrical installations / working materials must comply with the technological safety standards.

**SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**
**Components with workplace control parameters**

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

**Personal protective equipment**

- Respiratory protection : General and local exhaust ventilation is recommended to maintain vapor exposures below recommended limits. Where concentrations are above recommended limits or are unknown, appropriate respiratory protection should be worn. Follow OSHA respirator regulations (29 CFR 1910.134) and use NIOSH/MSHA approved respirators. Protection provided by air purifying respirators against exposure to any hazardous chemical is limited. Use a positive pressure air supplied respirator if there is any potential for uncontrolled release, exposure levels are unknown, or any other circumstance where air purifying respirators may not provide adequate protection.
- Hand protection
- Remarks : The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed with the producers of the protective gloves.
- Eye protection : Eye wash bottle with pure water  
Tightly fitting safety goggles  
Wear face-shield and protective suit for abnormal processing problems.
- Skin and body protection : Dust impervious protective suit  
Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.
- Hygiene measures : When using do not eat or drink.  
When using do not smoke.  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

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**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Appearance	: powder, Crystalline powder
Colour	: white, Pale Yellow
Odour	: odorless
Odour Threshold	: No data available
pH	: 2.2 - 2.5 @ 5 % (as aqueous solution)
Freezing Point (Melting point/range)	: ca. 190 °C (374 °F) Decomposition: yes
Boiling Point	: No data available
Flash point	: Not applicable
Evaporation rate	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: May form combustible dust concentrations in air.
Upper explosion limit	: No data available
Lower explosion limit	: No data available
Vapour pressure	: No data available
Relative vapour density	: No data available
Relative density	: 1.65 - 1.70 Reference substance: (water = 1)
Density	: No data available
Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility	: ca. 300 g/l soluble in hot water @ 20 °C (68 °F)
Solubility in other solvents	: ca. 20 - 30 g/l Solvent: Ethanol Description: soluble  ca. 10 g/l Solvent: Glycerol Description: soluble  Solvent: Ether Description: practically insoluble  Solvent: Diethylether Description: insoluble
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	: log Pow: -2
Auto-ignition temperature	: No data available
Thermal decomposition	: No data available

**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity	: No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Chemical stability	: Stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reac-	: Dust may form explosive mixture in air.

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Conditions to avoid	: Keep away from heat, flame, sparks and other ignition sources.
Incompatible materials	: Oxidizing agents Bases

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**SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Carcinogenicity****IARC**

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

**OSHA**

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

**NTP**

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

**Further information****Product:**

Remarks: No data available

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**SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Ecotoxicity**

No data available

**Persistence and degradability**

No data available

**Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

**Mobility in soil**

No data available

**Other adverse effects****Product:**

Ozone-Depletion Potential : Regulation: 40 CFR Protection of Environment; Part 82 Protection of Stratospheric Ozone - CAA Section 602 Class I Substances  
Remarks: This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S.

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Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

Additional ecological information : No data available

**SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****Disposal methods**Waste from residues : Dispose of in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal regulations.  
For assistance with your waste management needs - including disposal, recycling and waste stream reduction, contact Univar Solutions ChemCare: 1-800-909-4897Contaminated packaging : Do not dispose of waste into sewer.  
Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used container.  
Send to a licensed waste management company.  
Empty remaining contents.  
Dispose of as unused product.  
Do not re-use empty containers.**SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION****DOT (Department of Transportation):** Not regulated as a dangerous good**UNRTDG**

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**IATA (International Air Transport Association):** Not regulated as a dangerous good**IMDG-Code:** Not regulated as a dangerous good**SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION****EPCRA - Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act****CERCLA Reportable Quantity**

This material does not contain any components with a CERCLA RQ.

**SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity**

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards** : Combustible dust**SARA 302** : This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

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**SARA 313** : This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**Clean Air Act**

This product does not contain any hazardous air pollutants (HAP), as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112 (40 CFR 61).

This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112(r) for Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130, Subpart F).

This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 111 SOCMII Intermediate or Final VOC's (40 CFR 60.489).

**Clean Water Act**

This product does not contain any Hazardous Substances listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 116.4A.

This product does not contain any Hazardous Chemicals listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 117.3.

This product does not contain any toxic pollutants listed under the U.S. Clean Water Act Section 307

**Massachusetts Right To Know**

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

**Pennsylvania Right To Know**

50-81-7 L-Ascorbic acid

**California Prop 65** : This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

**The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:**

DSL : All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL

AICS : not determined

NZIoC : not determined

ENCS : not determined

KECI : not determined

PICCS : not determined

IECSC : not determined

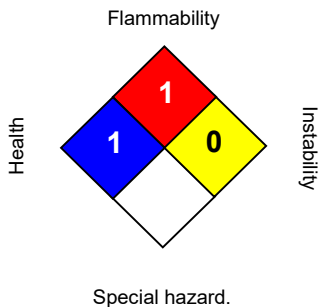
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### SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

#### NFPA:



#### HMIS III:

<b>HEALTH</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>FLAMMABILITY</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>PHYSICAL HAZARD</b>	<b>0</b>

0 = not significant, 1 = Slight,  
2 = Moderate, 3 = High  
4 = Extreme, \* = Chronic

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16140040, 16141022

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet			
ACGIH	American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists	LD50	Lethal Dose 50%
AICS	Australia, Inventory of Chemical Substances	LOAEL	Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level
DSL	Canada, Domestic Substances List	NFPA	National Fire Protection Agency
NDSL	Canada, Non-Domestic Substances List	NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health
CNS	Central Nervous System	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service	NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
EC50	Effective Concentration	NOAEL	No Observable Adverse Effect Level
EC50	Effective Concentration 50%	NOEC	No Observed Effect Concentration
EGEST	EOSCA Generic Exposure Scenario Tool	OSHA	Occupational Safety & Health Administration
EOSCA	European Oilfield Specialty Chemicals Association	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	PICCS	Philippines Inventory of Commercial Chemical Substances



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GHS	Globally Harmonized System	RCRA	Resource Conservation Recovery Act
>=	Greater Than or Equal To	STEL	Short-term Exposure Limit
IC50	Inhibition Concentration 50%	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act.
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	TLV	Threshold Limit Value
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China	TWA	Time Weighted Average
ENCS	Japan, Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances	TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act
KECI	Korea, Existing Chemical Inventory	UVCB	Unknown or Variable Composition, Complex Reaction Products, and Biological Materials
<=	Less Than or Equal To	WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System
LC50	Lethal Concentration 50%		