



## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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#### 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Description:** ASCORBIC ACID  
**CAS #** 50-81-7  
**FEMA Number** N/A  
**Other means of identification**  
**Vigon Item #** 508696  
**Recommended use** Concentrated aromatic and flavor ingredient which may be used in flavor and fragrance compounds according to legal and IFRA or FEMA GRAS/FDA guidelines.  
**Recommended restrictions** For Manufacturing Use Only

Company

Vigon International, Inc.  
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24 Hour Emergency Response Information

INFOTRAC (ACCT# 78928);  
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**Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information**

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#### 2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

**Physical hazards** Not classified.  
**Health hazards** Not classified.  
**Environmental hazards** Not classified.

**Label elements**

**Hazard symbol** None.  
**Signal word** None.  
**Hazard statement** The substance does not meet the criteria for classification.  
**Precautionary statement**  
**Prevention** Observe good industrial hygiene practices.  
**Response** Wash hands after handling.  
**Storage** Store away from incompatible materials.



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<b>Disposal</b>	Dispose of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements.
<b>Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)</b>	WARNING! May form combustible dust concentrations in air. Avoid breathing dust.
<b>Supplemental information</b>	100% of the substance consists of component(s) of unknown acute oral toxicity. 100% of the substance consists of component(s) of unknown acute dermal toxicity. 100% of the substance consists of component(s) of unknown acute inhalation toxicity. 100% of the substance consists of component(s) of unknown acute hazards to the aquatic environment. 100% of the substance consists of component(s) of unknown long-term hazards to the aquatic environment.

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### Substances

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
ASCORBIC ACID	calcorbate cetebe	50-81-7	100

### 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

<b>Inhalation</b>	If breathing is difficult, remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. For breathing difficulties, oxygen may be necessary. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists. Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water for several minutes.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists. Promptly wash eyes with plenty of water while lifting the eye lids.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. If swallowed, rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious). Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, the head should be kept low so that stomach vomit doesn't enter the lungs.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed</b>	Dusts may irritate the respiratory tract, skin and eyes.
<b>Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed</b>	Not available.
<b>General information</b>	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

<b>Suitable extinguishing media</b>	Water spray, fog, CO <sub>2</sub> , dry chemical, or alcohol resistant foam.
<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media</b>	Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	Explosion hazard: Avoid generating dust; fine dust dispersed in air in sufficient concentrations, and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard. Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases.



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<b>Special 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. Structural firefighters protective clothing will only provide limited protection. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece operated in the positive pressure demand mode when fighting fires.
<b>Fire fighting equipment/instructions</b>	In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Keep run-off water out of sewers and water sources. Dike for water control.
<b>Specific methods</b>	Use water spray to cool unopened containers.
<b>General fire hazards</b>	Static charges generated by emptying package in or near flammable vapor may cause flash fire.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

<b>Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures</b>	Eliminate all sources of ignition. Avoid contact with skin or inhalation of spillage, dust or vapor. Keep unnecessary personnel away. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them.
<b>Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up</b>	Sweep up and place in a clearly labeled container for chemical waste. Wash contaminated area with water. Collect and dispose of spillage as indicated in section 13 of the SDS. This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Use only non-sparking tools. Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up.  Never return spills in original containers for re-use.
<b>Environmental precautions</b>	Retain and dispose of contaminated wash water. Avoid release to the environment. Contact local authorities in case of spillage to drain/aquatic environment. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not contaminate water.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

<b>Precautions for safe handling</b>	Take precautionary measures against static discharges when there is a risk of dust explosion. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Routine housekeeping should be instituted to ensure that dusts do not accumulate on surfaces. Dry powders can build static electricity charges when subjected to the friction of transfer and mixing operations. Provide adequate precautions, such as electrical grounding and bonding, or inert atmospheres. Do not handle or store near an open flame, heat or other sources of ignition. Assume that this material is capable of producing a dust explosion if ignited as a dust cloud.  Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Avoid breathing vapor. Avoid breathing dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged exposure. Wash thoroughly after handling.
<b>Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities</b>	Keep container closed. Handle containers with care. Open slowly in order to control possible pressure release. Store in a cool, well-ventilated area.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

<b>Occupational exposure limits</b>	This substance has no PEL, TLV, or other recommended exposure limit.
<b>Biological limit values</b>	No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

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<b>Appropriate engineering controls</b>	Use explosion-proof ventilation equipment to stay below exposure limits. It is recommended that all dust control equipment such as local exhaust ventilation and material transport systems involved in handling of this product contain explosion relief vents or an explosion suppression system or an oxygen-deficient environment. Ensure that dust-handling systems (such as exhaust ducts, dust collectors, vessels, and processing equipment) are designed in a manner to prevent the escape of dust into the work area (i.e., there is no leakage from the equipment). Use only appropriately classified electrical equipment and powered industrial trucks.
<b>Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment</b>	
<b>Eye/face protection</b>	Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).
<b>Skin protection</b>	
<b>Hand protection</b>	Chemical resistant gloves.
<b>Other</b>	Not available.
<b>Respiratory protection</b>	Dust mask.
<b>Thermal hazards</b>	Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.
<b>General hygiene considerations</b>	When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Appearance</b>	Refer to Spec Sheet
<b>Physical state</b>	Powder\Crystal.
<b>Form</b>	Powder. Crystalline powder.
<b>Color</b>	Refer to Spec Sheet
<b>Odor</b>	Characteristic.
<b>Odor threshold</b>	Not available.
<b>pH</b>	2 - 3 pH = 3 (5 mg/mL); pH = 2 (50 mg/mL)
<b>Melting point/freezing point</b>	374 - 377.6 °F (190 - 192 °C)
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	Not available.
<b>Flash point</b>	200.0 °F (93.3 °C) Closed Cup
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	Not available.
<b>Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Flammability limit - lower (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability limit - upper (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Explosive limit - lower (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Explosive limit - upper (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor pressure</b>	< 0.0000001 kPa (77 °F (25 °C))
<b>Vapor density</b>	Not available.

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<b>Relative density</b>	Not available.
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	
<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>	Not available.
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not available.
<b>Other information</b>	
<b>Density</b>	1.65 g/cm <sup>3</sup> estimated
<b>Explosive properties</b>	Not explosive.
<b>Molecular formula</b>	C <sub>6</sub> -H <sub>8</sub> -O <sub>6</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>6</sub>
<b>Molecular weight</b>	176.12 g/mol 176.12 g/mol
<b>Oxidizing properties</b>	Not oxidizing.
<b>Specific gravity</b>	1.65
<b>Surface tension</b>	40 mN/m

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

<b>Reactivity</b>	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
<b>Chemical stability</b>	Material is stable under normal conditions.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. Avoid temperatures exceeding the flash point. Contact with incompatible materials. Minimize dust generation and accumulation.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	No hazardous decomposition products if stored and handled as indicated.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Information on likely routes of exposure

<b>Inhalation</b>	Irritating to respiratory system.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Dust or powder may irritate the skin.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Dust may irritate the eyes.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics**      Dusts may irritate the respiratory tract, skin and eyes.

### Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity**      Not known.

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<b>Skin corrosion/irritation</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
<b>Serious eye damage/eye irritation</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
<b>Respiratory or skin sensitization</b>	
<b>Respiratory sensitization</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
<b>Skin sensitization</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
<b>Germ cell mutagenicity</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
<b>IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity</b>	
Not listed.	
<b>OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)</b>	
Not listed.	
<b>US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens</b>	
Not listed.	
<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

<b>Ecotoxicity</b>	The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.
<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	No data is available on the degradability of this substance.
<b>Bioaccumulative potential</b>	No data available.
<b>Mobility in soil</b>	No data available.
<b>Other adverse effects</b>	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

<b>Disposal instructions</b>	Do not discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground. Do not allow this material to drain into sewers/water supplies. Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used container. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
<b>Local disposal regulations</b>	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.
<b>Hazardous waste code</b>	Not established.
<b>Waste from residues / unused products</b>	Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).
<b>Contaminated packaging</b>	Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.



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#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**ADN**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**ADR**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**RID**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**DOT**

**BULK**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**DOT**

**NON-BULK**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IATA**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IMDG**

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

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#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**US federal regulations** This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

**Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)**

**TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)**

Not regulated.

**CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)**

Not listed.

**SARA 304 Emergency release notification**

Not regulated.

**OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)**

Not listed.

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

**SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance**

Not listed.

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical** Yes

**Classified hazard categories** Combustible dust

**SARA 313 (TRI reporting)**

Not regulated.



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#### Other federal regulations

##### Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

##### Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

**Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)** Not regulated.

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#### 16. OTHER INFORMATION, INCLUDING DATE OF PREPARATION OR LAST REVISION

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**Further information** Refer to NFPA 654, Standard for the Prevention of Fire and Dust Explosions from the Manufacturing, Processing, and Handling of Combustible Particulate Solids, for safe handling.

**HMIS® ratings** Health: 1  
Flammability: 1  
Physical hazard: 0

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