# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

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#### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

# **Methyl Cellulose**

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CHEMTREC Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-9300 Signal Word N/A Pictograms

## **SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

This chemical is considered nonhazardous according to GHS classifications for the Hazard Communication Standard. Treat all laboratory chemicals with caution.

Although this material is considered to be nonhazardous, unpredictable reactions among chemicals are always possible. Prudent laboratory practices should be observed.

SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Methyl cellulose	9004-67-5	Unspecified	Unspecified	
Synonyms: Methocel; Methylcellulose; Cellulose, methyl ether				

#### **SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES**

Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

If inhaled: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.

If on skin: Wash with plenty of water.

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

#### **SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Noncombustible solid.

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When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

None established

In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

#### **SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Use a damp paper towel to clean up spill. Avoid making methyl cellulose airborne during cleanup. Place in a sealed bag or container and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

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#### **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #2. Store with alcohols, glycols, amines and amides. Keep container tightly sealed. Store in a cool, dry place.

#### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

# **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

White powder. Odorless. Melting point: 290 - 305 °C

Soluble: Glacial acetic acid and cold water. Insoluble in alcohol,

ether, and water warmer than 50.5 °C.

#### **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with strong oxidizers. Cellulose and its derivatives may react vigorously with calcium oxide, bleaching powder, perchlorates, perchloric acid, sodium chlorate, fluorine, nitric acid, sodium nitrite, and sodium nitrate. Shelf life: Indefinite, if kept dry.

#### **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: N.A. ORL-RAT  $LD_{50}$ : >10,000 mg/kg

Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT  $LC_{50}$ : N.A. Target organs: N.A. SKN-RBT  $LD_{50}$ : N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

# **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Data not yet available.

#### **SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Methods #26a or #26b are options.

#### **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Not regulated. Hazard class: N/A. UN number: N/A.

N/A = Not applicable

#### **SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA-listed.

#### **SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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Consult your copy of the Flinn Science Catalog/Reference Manual for additional information about laboratory chemicals.

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