

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name:** Mercury Liquid

**Product Number:** All applicable American Elements product codes, e.g. HG-M-02-LIQ , HG-M-03-LIQ , HG-M-04-LIQ , HG-M-05-LIQ , HG-M-06-LIQ , HG-M-07-LIQ , HG-M-08-LIQ

**CAS #:** 7439-97-6

**Relevant identified uses of the substance:** Scientific research and development

**Supplier details:**

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 2 H330 Fatal if inhaled.

GHS08 Health hazard

Repr. 1B

H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

STOT RE 1 H372 Causes damage to the central nervous system, the kidneys, the reproductive system and the brain through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Route of exposure: Oral, Inhalation.

Hazards not otherwise classified

No data available

GHS label elements

GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

Hazard pictograms



GHS06 GHS08

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Danger

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Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

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Specific treatment is urgent (see on this label).

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P310

Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.

P405

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P501

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

WHMIS classification

D1A - Very toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects

D2A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects

E - Corrosive material

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

Health (acute effects) = 3

Flammability = 0

Physical Hazard = 1

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT:

N/A

vPvB:

N/A

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### SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substances

CAS No. / Substance Name:

7439-97-6 Mercury

Identification number(s):

EC number: 231-106-7

Index number: 080-001-00-0

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## **SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

Description of first aid measures

General information

Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.

Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing has been completely removed.

In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.

If inhaled:

Supply patient with fresh air. If not breathing, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.

Seek immediate medical advice.

In case of skin contact:

Immediately wash with soap and water; rinse thoroughly.

Seek immediate medical advice.

In case of eye contact:

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Consult a physician.

If swallowed:

Seek medical treatment.

Information for doctor

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Fatal if inhaled.

May damage fertility or the unborn child.

Causes damage to the central nervous system, the kidneys, the reproductive system and the brain through prolonged or repeated exposure. Route of exposure:

Oral, Inhalation.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing agents

Product is not flammable. Use fire-fighting measures that suit the surrounding fire.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:

Mercury oxide

Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Environmental precautions:

Do not allow product to enter drains, sewage systems, or other water courses.

Methods and materials for containment and cleanup:

Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).

Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Prevention of secondary hazards:

No special measures required.

Reference to other sections

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals

PAC-1:

0.15 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

PAC-2:

1.7 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

PAC-3:

8.9 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

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## SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling

Precautions for safe handling

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.

Open and handle container with care.

Information about protection against explosions and fires:

The product is not flammable

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:

No special requirements.

Information about storage in one common storage facility:

Store away from halogens.

Store away from metals.

Further information about storage conditions:

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well-sealed containers.

Specific end use(s)

No data available

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## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Additional information about design of technical systems:

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

Control parameters

Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

7439-97-6 Mercury (100.0%)

PEL (USA)

Long-term value: 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Hg; see OSHA standard interpretation memo

REL (USA)

Long-term value: 0.05\* mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Ceiling limit value: 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

as Hg; \*Vapor; Skin

## TLV (USA)

Long-term value: 0.025 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
as Hg; Skin; BEI

EL (Canada) Long-term value: 0.025 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
Skin; R

EV (Canada) Long-term value: 0.025 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
as Hg, Skin

Ingredients with biological limit values:

7439-97-6 Mercury (100.0%)

BEI (USA) 35 µg/g creatinine

Medium: urine

Time: prior to shift

Parameter: Total inorganic mercury (background)  
15 µg/L

Medium: blood

Time: end of shift at end of workweek

Parameter: Total inorganic mercury (background)

Additional information:

No data

Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

Follow typical protective and hygienic practices for handling chemicals.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Store protective clothing separately.

Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment:

Use self-contained respiratory protective device in emergency situations.

Recommended filter device for short term use:

Use a respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) as a backup to engineering controls. Risk assessment should be performed to determine if air-purifying respirators are appropriate. Only use equipment tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (USA) or CEN (EU).

Protection of hands:

Impervious gloves

Inspect gloves prior to use.

Suitability of gloves should be determined both by material and quality, the latter of which may vary by manufacturer.

Material of gloves

Nitrile rubber, NBR

Penetration time of glove material (in minutes)

480

Glove thickness

0.11 mm

Eye protection:

Safety glasses

Body protection:

Protective work clothing.

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance:

Form: Liquid

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: Not determined.

pH: Not determined.

Melting point/Melting range: -38.87 °C (-38 °F)

Boiling point/Boiling range: 356.73 °C (674 °F)

Sublimation temperature / start: Not determined

Flammability (solid, gas)

Not determined.

Ignition temperature: Not determined

Decomposition temperature: Not determined

Autoignition: Not determined.

Danger of explosion: Not determined.

Explosion limits:

Lower: Not determined

Upper: Not determined

Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F): 0.00163 hPa

Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 13.534 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (112.941 lbs/gal)

Relative density

Not determined.

Vapor density

Not determined.

Evaporation rate

Not determined.

Solubility in Water (H<sub>2</sub>O): Not miscible or difficult to mix

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): Not determined.

Viscosity:

Dynamic: Not determined.

Kinematic: Not determined.

Other information

No data available

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## SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity

No data available

Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:

Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reactions known

Conditions to avoid

No data available

Incompatible materials:

Halogens

Metals

Hazardous decomposition products:

Mercury oxide

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## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

Fatal if inhaled.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains acute toxicity data for this substance.

LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:

No data

Skin irritation or corrosion:

May cause irritation

Eye irritation or corrosion:

May cause irritation

Sensitization:

No sensitizing effects known.

Germ cell mutagenicity:

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains mutation data for this substance.

Carcinogenicity:

EPA-D: Not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity: inadequate human and animal evidence of carcinogenicity or no data are available.

IARC-3: Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity to humans.

ACGIH A4: Not classifiable as a human carcinogen: Inadequate data on which to classify the agent in terms of its carcinogenicity in humans and/or animals.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains tumorigenic and/or carcinogenic and/or neoplastic data for this substance.

Reproductive toxicity:

May damage fertility or the unborn child.

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains reproductive data for this substance.

Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure:

Causes damage to the central nervous system, the kidneys, the reproductive system and the brain through prolonged or repeated exposure. Route of exposure:

Oral, Inhalation.

Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure:

No effects known.

Aspiration hazard:

No effects known.

Subacute to chronic toxicity:

The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains multiple dose toxicity data for this substance.

Additional toxicological information:

To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

Carcinogenic categories

OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)

Substance is not listed.

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## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity:

No data available  
Persistence and degradability  
No data available  
Bioaccumulative potential  
No data available  
Mobility in soil  
No data available  
Ecotoxicological effects:  
Remark:  
Very toxic for aquatic organisms  
Additional ecological information:  
Do not allow product to reach groundwater, water courses, or sewage systems, even in small quantities.  
Danger to drinking water if even extremely small quantities leak into the ground.  
Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies.  
May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.  
Avoid transfer into the environment.  
Very toxic for aquatic organisms  
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment  
PBT:  
N/A  
vPvB:  
N/A  
Other adverse effects  
No data available

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## **SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste treatment methods  
Recommendation  
Consult official regulations to ensure proper disposal.  
Uncleaned packagings:  
Recommendation:  
Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

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## **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

UN-Number  
DOT, IMDG, IATA  
UN2809  
UN proper shipping name  
DOT  
Mercury  
ADR  
2809 Mercury  
IMDG, IATA  
MERCURY  
Transport hazard class(es)  
DOT  
Class  
8 Corrosive substances



Label  
8, 6.1  
ADR  
Class  
8 (CT1) Corrosive substances  
Label  
8+6.1  
IMDG  
Class  
8 Corrosive substances  
Label  
8/6.1  
IATA  
Class  
8 Corrosive substances  
Label  
8 (6.1)  
Packing group  
DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA  
III  
Environmental hazards:  
N/A  
Special precautions for user  
Warning: Corrosive substances  
EMS Number: F-A,S-B  
Segregation groups  
Heavy metals and their salts (including their organometallic compounds), mercury and mercury compounds  
Stowage Category  
B  
Stowage Code  
SW2 Clear of living quarters.  
Segregation Code  
SG24 Stow "away from" azides  
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code  
N/A  
Transport/Additional information:  
DOT  
Quantity limitations  
On passenger aircraft/rail: 35 kg  
On cargo aircraft only: 35 kg  
Hazardous substance:  
1 lbs, 0.454 kg  
Marine Pollutant (DOT):  
No  
IMDG  
Limited quantities (LQ)  
5 kg  
Excepted quantities (EQ)  
Code: E0  
Not permitted as Excepted Quantity  
UN "Model Regulation":  
UN 2809 MERCURY, 8 (6.1), III

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture  
GHS GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

Hazard pictograms

GHS06

GHS08

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National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)

7439-97-6 Mercury

California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity

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Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male

Substance is not listed.

Information about limitation of use:

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

This substance is subject to a Significant New Use Rule (SNUR) promulgated under Section 5(a)(2) of

the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). See 40 CFR 721.  
This product is being sold for research and development use.  
Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations  
Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006.  
Substance is not listed.  
The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed.  
Substance is not listed.  
Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)  
Substance is not listed.  
Chemical safety assessment:  
A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

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## **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. American Elements shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. COPYRIGHT 1997-2021 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.