

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET



<u>SULPHUR</u>

Section 1 – Chemical Product and Company Identification

Chemical Name : Chemical Formula :	Sulphur S8	
CAS Number :	7704-34-9	
Synonyms :	Brimostone, Bensulfoid, Colsul	
General Use :	Production f inorganic compounds, acids	
Manufacture's Name : Address : Telephone Number for Info : MSDS No. :	Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited Refinery, Mahul, Chembur, Mumbai 400074 25533888 /25533999 / 25524888 / 25524999	NFPA 704 (Sec 16)
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Section 2 – Composition / Information on Ingredients

Composition :	Sulphur, H2S
Hazardous Components :	Hydrogen Sulphide
ACGIH TLV :	H2S - 10 ppm

Section 3 – Hazards Identification

Primary Entry Routes : Acute Effects :	Inhalation, skin and eyes When the product is handled in liquid conditions it would be hot hence skin burns are the most likely health hazard. Product vapours may contain H2S or SOx and hence casualties due to its exposure should be removed immediately to fresh air and medical attention sought. Sulphur dust can irritate respiratory system
Carcinogenicity :	Not listed as carcinogenic
Chronic Effects :	No data available

Section 4 – First Aid Measures

Eyes :	Flush with water for 15 min. Get medical attention.
Skin :	In case of accidental contact with skin, treat for burns
Inhalation :	Product vapours may contain H2S and hence casualties due to its exposure should be removed immediately to fresh air Consult a physician if irritation persists.

Section 5 – Fire Fighting Measures

Flash Point :	> 207 °C
Flash Point Method :	Clevland Open Cup
Auto ignition Temperature :	230 °C
LEL:	Data not available

UEL : Flammability Classification :	Data not available Not Flammable
Extinguishing Media :	Water
Unusual Fire or Explosion : Hazards :	Burns with a blue flame and difficult to see in day light. Heat produces corrosive vapours, SOx and H2S. Sulphur dust can explode due to friction, static electricity, heat or flame.
Hazardous Combustion Products :	SOx, H2S
Fire-Fighting Instructions :	Fire fighters should wear self breathing apparatus while fighting fire. Use water fog and not solid stream of water as it might generate dust and can explode in confined space. Fire will rekindle until brought below 154 °C.

Section 6 – Accidental Release Measures

Small Spills :	Shut off leaks without risk. Sweep and collect without creating
	dust. Sulphur dust can explode.
Containment :	Prevent spillage from entering drains or water sources
Cleanup :	Sweep and collect. After spills wash area with plenty of water.

Section 7 – Handling and Storage

Handling Precautions :	Do not use/store near heat/open flame. Avoid breathing harmful vapors. As the product in liquid form is mostly handled in hot conditions (>100 °C) skin burns are the most likely health hazard. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wash thoroughly after handling
Storage Requirements :	Do not use/store near heat/open flame/water/acids

Section 8 – Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Engineering Controls :	Provide proper ventilation for environment to be below TWA. Avoid conditions that can create dust.
Respiratory Protection :	Use respiratory protection if ventilation is improper
Protective Clothing /	Use face shield, PVC gloves, safety boots while handling.
Equipment :	Contaminated clothing to be immediately removed

Section 9 – Protection Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State : Appearance and Odor : Vapor Pressure : Specific Gravity : Water Solubility : Boiling Point : Melting Point : Vapour density : Solid, but also handled in liquid state Yellow. 1 mm Hg at 183.8 °C 2.07 Insoluble 444.6 °C 106.8 °C Not pertinent

Section 10 – Stability and Reactivity

Stability :	Chemically stable.	
Chemical Incompatibilities :	Incompatible with oxidizing agents, charcoal, halogens and	d
	ammonia compounds.	

Conditions to Avoid :

Hazardous Decomposition Products : Does not react with common materials but may react with oxidising agents. Damp sulphur will corrode steel H2S, SOx

Section 11 – Toxicological Information

Toxicity Data :LD50 Rats oral = >5050 mg/kgAcute Inhalation Effects :No data available

Section 12 – Ecological Information

Prevent spillage from entering drains or water sources. After spills wash area with soap and water preventing runoff from entering drains. Can burn producing H2S and SOx

Section 13 – Disposal Considerations

Disposal: Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations

Section 14 – Transport Information

Shipping Name :

Sulphur

Section 15 – Regulatory Information

Non - Toxic/Flammable Substance

Section 16 – Other Information

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