

## 1. Identification

<b>Product identifier</b>	<b>GADOLINIUM NITRATE, HEXAHYDRATE, 99.9%</b>	
<b>Other means of identification</b>		
<b>Product code</b>	A3213	
<b>Recommended use</b>	professional, scientific and technical activities: other professional, scientific and technical activities	
<b>Recommended restrictions</b>	None known.	
<b>Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information</b>		
<b>Manufacturer</b>		
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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

<b>Physical hazards</b>	Oxidizing solids	Category 3
<b>Health hazards</b>	Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 1B
	Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1
	Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure	Category 3 respiratory tract irritation
<b>Environmental hazards</b>	Not classified.	
<b>OSHA defined hazards</b>	Not classified.	

### Label elements



<b>Signal word</b>	Danger
<b>Hazard statement</b>	May intensify fire; oxidizer. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Causes serious eye damage. May cause respiratory irritation.
<b>Precautionary statement</b>	
<b>Prevention</b>	Keep away from heat. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wash thoroughly after handling. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
<b>Response</b>	If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. In case of fire: Use appropriate media to extinguish.
<b>Storage</b>	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up.
<b>Disposal</b>	Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.
<b>Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)</b>	None known.
<b>Supplemental information</b>	None.

### 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### Substances

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
GADOLINIUM NITRATE, HEXAHYDRATE		19598-90-4	100

\*Designates that a specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
<b>Skin contact</b>	IF ON CLOTHING: rinse immediately contaminated clothing and skin with plenty of water before removing clothes. Rinse skin with water/shower. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Chemical burns must be treated by a physician. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. Continue rinsing. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed</b>	Burning pain and severe corrosive skin damage. Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Permanent eye damage including blindness could result. May cause respiratory irritation.
<b>Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed</b>	Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Chemical burns: Flush with water immediately. While flushing, remove clothes which do not adhere to affected area. Call an ambulance. Continue flushing during transport to hospital. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.
<b>General information</b>	Take off all contaminated clothing immediately. Contact with combustible material may cause fire. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible). Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable extinguishing media</b>	Water. Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ).
<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media</b>	Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	None known. Greatly increases the burning rate of combustible materials. Containers may explode when heated. During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.
<b>Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters</b>	Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.
<b>Fire fighting equipment/instructions</b>	In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Use water spray to cool unopened containers.
<b>Specific methods</b>	Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out.
<b>General fire hazards</b>	May intensify fire; oxidizer. Contact with combustible material may cause fire.

### 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures</b>	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Keep out of low areas. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.
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**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc.) away from spilled material. Ventilate the contaminated area. This product is miscible in water. Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas. Stop leak if you can do so without risk. Clean contaminated surface thoroughly.

Large Spills: Wet down with water and dike for later disposal. Shovel the material into waste container. Sweep up or gather material and place in appropriate container for disposal. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Clean up in accordance with all applicable regulations. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

Small Spills: After removal flush contaminated area thoroughly with water. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal.

Never return spills to original containers for re-use. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Small Dry Spills: With clean shovel place material into clean, dry container and cover loosely; move containers from spill area.

**Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

**7. Handling and storage****Precautions for safe handling**

Keep away from heat. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Routine housekeeping should be instituted to ensure that dusts do not accumulate on surfaces. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Store locked up. Keep away from heat. Store in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight. Store in original tightly closed container. Store in a well-ventilated place. Do not store near combustible materials. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

**8. Exposure controls/personal protection****Occupational exposure limits**

No exposure limits noted for ingredient(s).

**Biological limit values**

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

**Appropriate engineering controls**

Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Eye wash facilities and emergency shower must be available when handling this product.

**Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment****Eye/face protection**

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) and a face shield.

**Skin protection****Hand protection**

Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves. Suitable gloves can be recommended by the glove supplier. Frequent change is advisable.

**Other**

Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing.

**Respiratory protection**

In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment.

**Thermal hazards**

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

**General hygiene considerations**

Keep from contact with clothing and other combustible materials. Remove and wash contaminated clothing promptly. 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****Appearance**

Clear. Crystals

**Physical state**

Solid.

**Form**

Solid.

**Color**

White.

**Odor**

Odorless.

**Odor threshold**

Not available.

**pH**

Not available.

**Melting point/freezing point**

195.8 °F (91 °C)

**Initial boiling point and boiling range**

Not available.

<b>Flash point</b>	Not flammable
<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 flammable
<b>Flammability limit - upper (%)</b>	Not flammable
<b>Explosive limit - lower (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Explosive limit - upper (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor pressure</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor density</b>	Not available.
<b>Relative density</b>	Not available.
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	Very 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>Molecular formula</b>	Gd(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> .6H <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Molecular weight</b>	451.37
<b>Specific gravity</b>	2.3

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	Greatly increases the burning rate of combustible materials.
<b>Chemical stability</b>	Stable at normal conditions.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	Heat. Contact with incompatible materials. Drying of this product on clothing or combustible materials may cause fire.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Combustible material. Reducing agents. Organic materials
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	May include oxides of nitrogen.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

<b>Inhalation</b>	May cause irritation to the respiratory system.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Causes severe skin burns.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Causes serious eye damage.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Causes digestive tract burns.

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics** Burning pain and severe corrosive skin damage. Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Permanent eye damage including blindness could result. May cause respiratory irritation.

### Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity** May cause respiratory irritation.

<b>Product</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Test Results</b>
GADOLINIUM NITRATE, HEXAHYDRATE (CAS 19598-90-4)		
<b>Acute</b>		
<i>Oral</i>		
LD50	Rat	3805 mg/kg

\* Estimates for product may be based on additional component data not shown.

**Skin corrosion/irritation** Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

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<b>Serious eye damage/eye irritation</b>	Causes serious eye damage.
<b>Respiratory or skin sensitization</b>	
<b>Respiratory sensitization</b>	Not available.
<b>Skin sensitization</b>	None known.
<b>Germ cell mutagenicity</b>	No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	This product is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or OSHA.
<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>	This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure</b>	May cause respiratory irritation.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure</b>	Not classified.
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	Not available.

## 12. Ecological information

<b>Ecotoxicity</b>	This material is not expected to be harmful to aquatic life.
<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	No data is available on the degradability of this product.
<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>	Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. 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>	The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.
<b>Waste from residues / unused products</b>	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. 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). Not applicable.
<b>Contaminated packaging</b>	Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal. Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Offer rinsed packaging material to local recycling facilities.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

<b>UN number</b>	UN1477
<b>UN proper shipping name</b>	Nitrates, inorganic, n.o.s. (GADOLINIUM NITRATE, HEXAHYDRATE)
<b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>	
<b>Class</b>	5.1
<b>Subsidiary risk</b>	-
<b>Label(s)</b>	5.1
<b>Packing group</b>	III
<b>Special precautions for user</b>	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.
<b>Special provisions</b>	IB8, IP3, T1, TP33
<b>Packaging exceptions</b>	152
<b>Packaging non bulk</b>	213
<b>Packaging bulk</b>	240

### IATA

<b>UN number</b>	UN1477
<b>UN proper shipping name</b>	Nitrates, inorganic, n.o.s. (GADOLINIUM NITRATE, HEXAHYDRATE)
<b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>	
<b>Class</b>	5.1
<b>Subsidiary risk</b>	-
<b>Packing group</b>	III
<b>Environmental hazards</b>	No.
<b>ERG Code</b>	5L
<b>Special precautions for user</b>	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.

**Other information**

**Passenger and cargo aircraft** Allowed.  
**Cargo aircraft only** Allowed.

**IMDG**

**UN number** UN1477  
**UN proper shipping name** NITRATES, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (GADOLINIUM NITRATE, HEXAHYDRATE)  
**Transport hazard class(es)**  
**Class** 5.1  
**Subsidiary risk** -  
**Packing group** III  
**Environmental hazards**  
**Marine pollutant** No.  
**EmS** F-A, S-Q  
**Special precautions for user** Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable.

**DOT****IATA; IMDG****15. Regulatory information**

**US federal regulations** This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.  
 All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory List.

**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.

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

**Hazard categories** Immediate Hazard - Yes  
 Delayed Hazard - No  
 Fire Hazard - Yes  
 Pressure Hazard - No  
 Reactivity Hazard - No

**SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance**

Not listed.

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical** Yes

**SARA 313 (TRI reporting)**

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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.**US state regulations****US. California Controlled Substances. CA Department of Justice (California Health and Safety Code Section 11100)**

Not listed.

**US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List**

Not regulated.

**US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act**

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**US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law**

Not listed.

**US. Rhode Island RTK**

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**US. California Proposition 65**

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins.

**International Inventories**

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	No
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	No
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	No
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	No
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

\*A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

**16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision****Issue date** May-01-2015**Version #** 01**Disclaimer** GFS Chemicals cannot anticipate all conditions under which this information and its product, or the products of other manufacturers in combination with its product, may be used. It is the user's responsibility to ensure safe conditions for handling, storage and disposal of the product, and to assume liability for loss, injury, damage or expense due to improper use. The information in the sheet was written based on the best knowledge and experience currently available.**Revision Information** Product and Company Identification: Product Codes  
Composition / Information on Ingredients: Disclosure Overrides  
Transport Information: Proper Shipping Name/Packing Group  
GHS: Classification