

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Product: **Hydrochloric Acid**

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## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### Material Identity

Product Name: Hydrochloric Acid, 20° Bé, Technical  
Product Code: CH-7647010A  
Chemical Formula: HCl  
General or Generic ID: Muriatic Acid

### Company

ArtChemicals.com  
2250 Davis Street  
San Leandro, CA 94577-2204  
510-639-4670

### Emergency Telephone Number:

1-800-451-8346

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## 2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| <u>CAS No.</u> | <u>Chemical Identity</u> | <u>Common Name</u> | <u>%</u> |
|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| 7646-01-0      | Acid                     | Hydrogen chloride  | 30-32    |
| 7732-18-5      | N/A                      | Water              | 68-70    |

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## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Potential Health Effects

#### Eye:

Very hazardous in case of eye contact (irritant/corrosive). Symptoms include stinging, tearing, redness and impairment of vision. The degree of injury will depend on the amount of material that gets into the eye and the speed and thoroughness of the first aid treatment.

#### Skin:

Very hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant/permeator/corrosive). Symptoms may include redness, burning of skin, or, occasionally, blistering. The degree of injury will depend on the amount of material that gets on the skin and the speed and thoroughness of the first aid treatment.

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**Ingestion:**

Very hazardous in case of ingestion (irritant). Inhalation of dust will produce irritation to gastrointestinal tract.

**Inhalation:**

Very hazardous in case of inhalation (irritant). Breathing in large amounts may cause respiratory irritation, burning, sneezing and coughing.

**Symptoms of Exposure:**

Not available.

**Development Information:**

Not available.

The substance may be toxic to kidneys, liver, mucous membranes, upper respiratory tract, skin, eyes, Circulatory System, teeth. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage. Repeated or prolonged contact with spray mist may produce chronic eye irritation and severe skin irritation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to spray mist may produce respiratory tract irritation leading to frequent attacks of bronchial infection. Repeated exposure to a highly toxic material may produce general deterioration of health by an accumulation in one or many human organs.

**Cancer Information:**

Not available.

Classified 3 (Not classifiable for human.) by IARC [Hydrochloric acid].

**Primary Route(s) of Entry:**

Inhalation, skin absorption, skin contact, and eye contact.

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Inhalation:**

If inhaled, promptly remove individual to fresh air. If not breathing, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

**Ingestion:**

Do NOT induce vomiting, unless directed by medical personnel. Seek medical attention. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If large quantities of this material are swallowed, call a physician immediately. Do not leave individual unattended. Loosen tight clothing such as collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention.

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## Eyes:

Remove contact lenses if worn. Spread eyelids with fingers and flush eye for minimum of 15 minutes with water; keep rotating the eyes to ensure complete flushing. Cold water may be used. Do not use an eye ointment. Seek medical attention immediately.

## Skin:

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Gently and thoroughly wash the contaminated skin with running water and non-abrasive soap. Be particularly careful to clean folds, crevices, creases and groin. Cold water may be used. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Seek medical attention. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing.

## Note to Physicians:

Not available.

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## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flash Point:** Non flammable. Not applicable.

**Explosive Limit:** Not available.

**Auto-ignition Temperature:** Not applicable.

**Hazardous Products of Combustion:** When heated to decomposition, it emits toxic fumes of Hydrochloric Acid, and Zinc Oxide.

**Extinguishing Media:** SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder.

LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. Do not use water jet.

## SPECIAL FIRE-FIGHTING PROCEDURES: Non combustible.

Calcium carbide reacts with hydrogen chloride gas with incandescence. Uranium phosphide reacts with hydrochloric acid to release spontaneously flammable phosphine. Rubidium acetylene carbides burns with slightly warm hydrochloric acid. Lithium silicide in contact with hydrogen chloride becomes incandescent. When dilute hydrochloric acid is used, gas spontaneously flammable in air is evolved. Magnesium boride treated with concentrated hydrochloric acid produces spontaneously flammable gas. Cesium acetylene carbide burns hydrogen chloride gas. Cesium carbide ignites in contact with hydrochloric acid unless acid is dilute. Reacts with most metals to produce flammable Hydrogen gas.

**NFPA CODES:** Health = 3

Flammability = 0

Reactivity = 1

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## 6. PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING AND USE

### Steps To Be Taken In Case Material Is Released Or Spilled:

#### **Small Spill:**

Dilute with water and mop up, or absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste disposal container. If necessary: **Neutralize the residue with a dilute solution of sodium carbonate.**

#### **Large Spill:**

Corrosive liquid. Poisonous liquid.

Stop leak if without risk. Absorb with DRY earth, sand or other non-combustible material. Do not get water inside container. Do not touch spilled material. Use water spray curtain to divert vapor drift. Use water spray to reduce vapors. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed. Call for assistance on disposal. **Neutralize the residue with a dilute solution of sodium carbonate.** Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

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## 7. PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING AND STORAGE

Keep locked up.. Keep container dry. Do not ingest. Do not breathe gas/fumes/ vapor/spray. Never add water to this product. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Keep away from incompatibles such as oxidizing agents, organic materials, metals, alkalis, moisture. May corrode metallic surfaces. Store in a metallic or coated fiberboard drum using a strong polyethylene inner package.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### **Respiratory Protection:**

Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent.

### **Skin Protection:**

Wear resistant gloves. To prevent repeated or prolonged skin contact, wear impervious clothing and boots or lab coat.

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## Eye Protection:

Chemical splash goggles in compliance with OSHA regulations are advised. Face shield. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are proximal to the work-station location.

## Other Protective Clothing or Equipment:

Provide sufficient mechanical ventilation to maintain exposure below level of overexposure. Boots. Full suit. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling product.

## Exposure Limits:

Not available.

Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance and Odor:** Colorless to yellow liquid. (Pungent, strong odor).

**Molecular Weight:** Not applicable.

**pH (1% soln/water):** Acidic.

**Boiling Point:** 80 °C (176 °F).

**Melting Point:** -55 °C (-67 °F).

**Specific Gravity:** 1.149-1.159 (Water=1).

**Vapor Pressure (@ 20 °C):** 7.7 kPa

**Evaporation Rate:** Not available.

**Solubility in Water:** Easily soluble in cold water and hot water.

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Incompatibility:** Metals, organic materials, alkalis, and oxidizing agents.

**Stability:** Stable.

**Hazardous Decomposition:** N/A

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

**SPECIAL REMARKS ON REACTIVITY:** Reacts with water especially when water is added to the product. Absorption of gaseous hydrogen chloride on mercuric sulfate becomes violent @ 125 deg. C. Sodium reacts very violently with gaseous hydrogen chloride.

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Calcium phosphide and hydrochloric acid undergo very energetic reaction. It reacts with oxidizers releasing chlorine gas. Incompatible with, alkali metals, carbides, borides, metal oxides, vinyl acetate, acetylides, sulphides, phosphides, cyanides, carbonates.

Reacts with most metals to produce flammable Hydrogen gas. Reacts violently (moderate reaction with heat of evolution) with water especially when water is added to the product. Isolate hydrogen chloride from heat, direct, alkalies (reacts vigorously), organic materials, and oxidizers (especially nitric acid and chlorates), amines, metals, copper and alloys (e.g. brass), hydroxides, zinc (galvanized materials), lithium silicide (incandescence), sulfuric acid (increase in temperature and pressure). Hydrogen chloride gas is emitted when this product is in contact with sulfuric acid. Adsorption of Hydrochloric Acid onto silicon dioxide results in exothermic reaction. Hydrogen chloride causes aldehydes and epoxides to violently polymerize. Hydrogen chloride or Hydrochloric Acid in contact with the following can cause explosion or ignition on contact or other violent/vigorous reaction: Acetic anhydride, Alcohols + hydrogen cyanide, Aluminum, Aluminum phosphide, Aluminum-titanium alloys (with HCl vapor), 2-Amino ethanol, Ammonium, Ammonium hydroxide, 1,4-Benzoquinone diimine, Calcium acetylide (incandescence upon warming), Calcium carbide, Calcium phosphide, Carbon tetrachloride + silver perchlorate (produce trichloromethyl perchlorate), Cesium acetylene carbide, Cesium carbide, Cesium telluroacylates, Chlorine + dinitroanilines (evolves gas), Chloroacetaldehyde oxime, Chlorosulfonic acid, Cyanogen chloride (when catalyzed by HCl), 1,1-Difluoroethylene, Dinitroanilines, Ethylene, Ethylene diamine, Ethyl 2-formylpropionate oxime (when generated by using HCl as a catalyst).

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 900 mg/kg [Rabbit].

### Acute Potential Health Effects:

**Skin:** Corrosive. Causes severe skin irritation and burns.

**Eyes:** Corrosive. Causes severe eye irritation/conjunctivitis, burns, corneal necrosis.

**Inhalation:** May be fatal if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract. Inhalation of hydrochloric acid fumes produces nose, throat, and laryngeal burning, and irritation, pain and inflammation, coughing, sneezing, choking sensation, hoarseness, laryngeal spasms, upper respiratory tract edema, chest pains, as well as headache, and palpitations. Inhalation of high concentrations can result in corrosive burns, necrosis of bronchial epithelium, constriction of the larynx and bronchi, nasospetal perforation, glottal closure, dyspnea, bronchitis. Chemical pneumonitis and pulmonary edema can also occur, particularly if exposure is prolonged. May affect the liver.

**Ingestion:** May be fatal if swallowed. Causes irritation and burning, ulceration, or perforation of the gastrointestinal tract and resultant peritonitis, gastric hemorrhage and infection. Can also cause nausea, vomiting (with "coffee ground" emesis), diarrhea, thirst, difficulty swallowing,

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salivation, chills, fever, uneasiness, shock, strictures and stenosis (esophageal, gastric, pyloric). May affect behavior (excitement), the cardiovascular system (weak rapid pulse, tachycardia), respiration (shallow respiration), and urinary system (kidneys- renal failure, nephritis). Acute exposure via inhalation or ingestion can also cause erosion of tooth enamel.

Chronic Potential Health Effects:

Prolonged or repeated inhalation and/or ingestion may affect liver, bleeding of nose and gums, nasal and oral mucosal ulceration, conjunctivitis, respiratory tract (changes in pulmonary function, chronic bronchitis, overt respiratory tract abnormalities), teeth (yellowing of teeth and erosion of tooth enamel), kidneys, and behavior (muscle contraction or spasticity). Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause dermatitis. Prolonged or repeated eye contact with vapor/mist can cause conjunctivitis.

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Not available.

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise. The product itself and its products of degradation are as toxic.

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATION

**Waste Disposal Method:**

Dispose of in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal regulations.

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## 14. DOT SHIPPING NAME & IDENTIFICATION:

Hydrochloric acid, solution. Class 8: Corrosive material. UNNA: 1789. PG: II

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## 15. OTHER INFORMATION

The information accumulated herein is believed to be accurate but is not warranted to be, whether originating with the company or not. Recipients are advised to confirm in advance of need that information is current, applicable, and suitable to their circumstances.