

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

Rocktherm Heat Transfer Fluid

## Section 1. Identification

**Product Name:** Rocktherm Heat Transfer Fluid

**This product is intended for use only by professional, trained personnel using proper equipment. Not intended for sale to, or use by, the general public**

### COMPANY IDENTIFICATION:

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## Section 2. Hazards identification

### GHS/HAZCOM 2012 Classification:

#### Health:

Acute Toxicity Category 4  
Specific Target Organ Toxicity – repeated exposure  
Category 2  
Reproductive Toxicity Category 2

#### Physical:

Not Hazardous

### GHS Label Elements



#### WARNING!

H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
H361d Suspected of damaging the unborn child.  
H373 May cause damage to kidneys through prolonged or repeated exposure.

#### Prevention:

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.  
P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
P260 Do not breathe mist or vapors.  
P264 Wash exposed skin thoroughly after handling

## Section 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance/mixture: Mixture

Ingredients: Ethylene Glycol CAS 107-21-1 >92%  
Proprietary Additive Package >8%

## Section 4. First aid measures

**INHALATION:** Remove the victim to fresh air. If breathing has stopped administer artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, have medical personnel administer oxygen. Get medical attention.

**SKIN CONTACT:** Remove contaminated clothing. Immediately wash contacted area thoroughly with soap and water. If irritation persists, get medical attention.

**EYE CONTACT:** Immediately flush eyes with large amounts of water for 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

**INGESTION:** Seek immediate medical attention. Immediately call local poison control center or go to an emergency department. Never give anything by mouth to or induce vomiting in an unconscious or drowsy person.

**MOST IMPORTANT SYMPTOMS:** May cause eye irritation. Inhalation of mists may cause nose and throat irritation and nervous system effects. Ingestion may cause abdominal discomfort or pain, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, drowsiness, malaise, blurring of vision, irritability, back pain, decrease in urine output, kidney failure, and central nervous system effects.

**INDICATION OF IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION AND SPECIAL TREATMENT, IF NEEDED:** Seek immediate medical attention for large ingestions.

**NOTES TO PHYSICIAN:** The principal toxic effects of ethylene glycol, when swallowed, are kidney damage and metabolic acidosis. The combination of metabolic acidosis, an osmol gap and oxalate crystals in the urine is evidence of ethylene glycol poisoning. Pulmonary edema with hypoxemia has been described in a number of patients following poisoning with ethylene glycol. Respiratory support with mechanical ventilation may be required. There may be cranial nerve involvement in the late stages of toxicity from swallowed ethylene glycol. In particular, effects have been reported involving the seventh, eighth, and ninth cranial nerves, presenting with bilateral facial paralysis, diminished hearing and dysphagia. Ethanol is antidotal and its early administration may block the formation of nephrotoxic metabolites of ethylene glycol in the liver. The objective is to rapidly achieve and maintain a blood ethanol level of approximately 100 mg/dl by giving a loading dose of ethanol followed by a maintenance dose. Intravenous administration of ethanol is the preferred route. Ethanol blood levels should be checked frequently. Hemodialysis may be required. 4-Methyl pyrazole (Fomepizole®), a potent inhibitor of alcohol dehydrogenase, has been used therapeutically to decrease the metabolic consequences of ethylene glycol poisoning. Fomepizole® is easier to use clinically than ethanol, does not cause CNS depression or hypoglycemia and requires less monitoring than ethanol. Additional therapeutic modalities which may decrease the adverse consequences of ethylene glycol metabolism are the administration of both thiamine and pyridoxine. As there are complicated and serious overdoses, we recommend you consult with the toxicologists at your poison control center.

## **Section 5. Fire-fighting measures**

**SUITABLE EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** For large fires, use alcohol type or all-purpose foams. For small fires, use water spray, carbon dioxide or dry chemical.

**SPECIFIC HAZARDS ARISING FROM THE CHEMICAL:** A solid stream of water or foam directed into hot, burning liquid can cause frothing. Burning may produce carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide.

**SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** Do not spray pool fires directly. Firefighters should wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing for fires in areas where chemicals are used or stored.

## **Section 6. Accidental release measures**

**PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS, PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:** Wear appropriate protective clothing and equipment (See Section 8).  
**METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR CONTAINMENT/CLEANUP:** Collect with absorbent material and place in appropriate, labeled container for disposal or, if permitted flush spill area with water.

## **Section 7. Handling and storage**

**PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING:**

Harmful or Fatal if Swallowed. Do not drink antifreeze or solution. Avoid eye and prolonged or repeated skin contact. Avoid breathing vapors or mists. Wash exposed skin thoroughly with soap and water after use. Do not store in opened or unlabeled containers. Keep container away from open flames and excessive heat. Do not reuse empty

containers unless properly cleaned. Empty containers retain product residue and may be dangerous. Do not cut, weld, drill, etc. containers, even empty. Sudden release of hot organic chemical vapors or mists from process equipment operating at elevated temperature and pressure, or sudden ingress of air into vacuum equipment, may result in ignitions without any obvious ignition sources. Published "autoignition" or "ignition" temperatures cannot be treated as safe operating temperatures in chemical processes without analysis of the actual process conditions. Use of this product in elevated temperature applications should be thoroughly evaluated to assure safe operating conditions.

CONDITIONS FOR SAFE STORAGE, INCLUDING ANY INCOMPATIBILITIES: Store away from excessive heat and oxidizers.

NFPA CLASSIFICATION: IIIIB

## Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits: Ethylene glycol **ACGIH TLV (United States, 6/2013)**. C: 100 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 0 hour

VENTILATION: Use general ventilation or local exhaust as required to maintain exposures below the occupational exposure limits.

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION: For operations where the TLV is exceeded a NIOSH approved respirator with organic vapor cartridges and dust/mist prefilters or supplied air respirator is recommended. Equipment selection depends on contaminant type and concentration. Select and use in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.134 and good industrial hygiene practice. For firefighting, use self-contained breathing apparatus.

GLOVES: Chemical resistant gloves such as neoprene or PVC where contact is possible.

EYE PROTECTION: Splash-proof goggles.

OTHER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT/CLOTHING: Appropriate protective clothing as needed to minimize skin contact.

## Section 9. Physical and chemical properties

APPEARANCE: Clear dyed liquid

ODOR: Characteristic odor

MELTING/FREEZING POINT: -34°F (-36.6°C) – -36°F (-37.7°C)

BOILING POINT/RANGE: 327°F (164°C) –340°F (171.1°C)

FLASH POINT: 254 °F (123 °C) TOC>230 °F (>110 °C) Setflash

EVAPORATION RATE: Not determined

FLAMMABILITY (SOLID,GAS) Not Applicable FLAMMABILITY LIMITS: LEL: Not determined

UEL: Not determined

VAPOR PRESSURE: <0.06 mm Hg @20°C VAPOR DENSITY: 2.1

RELATIVE DENSITY: 1.07-1.14 SOLUBILITIES Water: Complete

PARTITION COEFFICIENT (n-octanol/water) Not determined

AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE: Not determined

DECOMPOSITION TEMPERATURE: Not determined

VISCOSITY: Not determined

## Section 10. Stability and reactivity

REACTIVITY: Normally unreactive

CHEMICAL STABILITY: Stable

POSSIBILITY OF HAZARDOUS REACTIONS: Reaction with strong oxidizers will generate heat.

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: None known

INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS: Avoid strong bases at high temperatures, strong acids, strong oxidizing agents, and materials reactive with hydroxyl compounds.HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide

## Section 11. Toxicological information

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

ACUTE HAZARDS:

INHALATION: May cause irritation of the nose and throat with headache, particularly from mists. High vapor

concentrations caused, for example, by heating the material in an enclosed and poorly ventilated workplace, may produce nausea, vomiting, headache, dizziness and irregular eye movements.

**SKIN CONTACT:** No evidence of adverse effects from available information.

**EYE CONTACT:** Liquid, vapors or mist may cause discomfort in the eye with persistent conjunctivitis, seen as slight excess redness or conjunctiva. Serious corneal injury is not anticipated.

**INGESTION:** May cause abdominal discomfort or pain, nausea, vomiting, dizziness, drowsiness, malaise, blurring of vision, irritability, back pain, decrease in urine output, kidney failure, and central nervous system effects, including irregular eye movements, convulsions and coma. Cardiac failure and pulmonary edema may develop. Severe kidney damage which may be fatal may follow the swallowing of ethylene glycol. A few reports have been published describing the development of weakness of the facial muscles, diminishing hearing, and difficulty with swallowing, during the late stages of severe poisoning.

**CHRONIC EFFECTS:** Prolonged or repeated inhalation exposure may produce signs of central nervous system involvement, particularly dizziness and jerking eye movements. Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause skin sensitization and an associated dermatitis in some individuals. Ethylene glycol has been found to cause birth defects in laboratory animals. The significance of this finding to humans has not been determined. 2-Ethyl Hexanoic Acid, Sodium Salt is suspected of causing developmental effects based on animal data.

**CARCINOGENICITY LISTING:** None of the components of these products is listed as a carcinogen or suspected carcinogen by IARC, NTP, ACGIH or OSHA.

**ACUTE TOXICITY VALUES:**

Ethylene Glycol: LD50 Oral Rat: 4700 mg/kg

LD50 Skin Rabbit: 9530 mg/kg

Diethylene Glycol: LD50 Oral Rat: 12,565 mg/kg

LD50 Skin Rabbit: 11,890 mg/kg

**SIGNIFICANT LABORATORY DATA WITH POSSIBLE RELEVANCE TO HUMAN HEALTH:** Ethylene glycol has been shown to produce dose-related teratogenic effects in rats and mice when given by gavage or in drinking water at high concentrations or doses. Also, in a preliminary study to assess the effects of exposure of pregnant rats and mice to aerosols at concentrations 150, 1,000 and 2,500 mg/m<sup>3</sup> for 6 hours a day throughout the period of organogenesis, teratogenic effects were produced at the highest concentrations, but only in mice. The conditions of these latter experiments did not allow a conclusion as to whether the developmental toxicity was mediated by inhalation of aerosol, percutaneous absorption of ethylene glycol from contaminated skin, or swallowing of ethylene glycol as a result of grooming the wetted coat. In a further study, comparing effects from high aerosol concentration by whole-body or nose-only exposure, it was shown that nose-only exposure resulted in maternal toxicity (1,000 and 2,500 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) and developmental toxicity in with minimal evidence of teratogenicity (2,500 mg/m<sup>3</sup>). The no-effects concentration (based on maternal toxicity) was 500 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. In a further study in mice, no teratogenic effects could be produced when ethylene glycol was applied to the skin of pregnant mice over the period currently no available information to suggest that ethylene glycol caused birth defects in humans. Cutaneous application of ethylene glycol is ineffective in producing developmental toxicity; exposure to high aerosol concentration is only minimally effective in producing developmental toxicity; the major route for producing developmental toxicity is perorally.

## Section 12. Ecological information

**ECOTOXICITY:**

Ethylene Glycol: LC50 Fathead Minnow <10,000 mg/L/96 hr.

EC50 Daphnia Magna 100,000 mg/L/48 hr.

Bacterial (*Pseudomonas putida*): 10,000 mg/l

Protozoa (*Entosiphon sulcatum* and *Uronema parduczi*; Chatton-Lwoff): >10,000 mg/l

Algae (*Microcystis aeruginosa*): 2,000 mg/l

Green algae (*Scenedesmus quadricauda*): >10,000 mg/l

Diethylene Glycol: LC50 western mosquitofish >32,000 mg/L/96 hr.

**PERSISTENCE AND DEGRADABILITY:**

Ethylene Glycol is readily biodegradable (97-100% in 2-12 days). Diethylene glycol is readily biodegradable (>70% in 19days).

**BIOACCUMULATIVE POTENTIAL:**

Ethylene glycol: A BCF of 10, reported for ethylene glycol in fish, Golden ide (*Leuciscus idus melanotus*), after 3 days of exposure suggests the potential for bio concentration in aquatic organisms is low.

Diethylene glycol: An estimated BCF of 3 suggests the potential for bio concentration in aquatic organisms is low.  
MOBILITY IN SOIL: Ethylene glycol and diethylene glycol are highly mobile in soil.

OTHER ADVERSE EFFECTS: None known

### **Section 13. Disposal considerations**

Dispose of product in accordance with all local, state/provincial and federal regulations.

### **Section 14. Transport information**

U.S. DOT HAZARD CLASSIFICATION: Not Regulated (unless package contains a reportable quantity)

Note: IF A SHIPMENT OF A REPORTABLE QUANTITY (5,260 LBS/553 GAL.) IN A SINGLE PACKAGE IS INVOLVED, THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION APPLIES:

PROPER SHIPPING NAME: RQ, Environmentally hazardous substance, liquid, n.o.s. (Ethylene glycol)

UN NUMBER: UN3082

PACKING GROUP: III

LABELS REQUIRED: Class 9

DOT MARINE POLLUTANTS: This product does not contain Marine Pollutants as defined in 49 CFR 171.8.

### **Section 15. Regulatory information**

EPA SARA 311/312 HAZARD CLASSIFICATION: Acute health, chronic health

EPA SARA 313: This Product Contains the Following Chemicals Subject to Annual Release Reporting Requirements Under SARA Title III, Section 313 (40 CFR 372): Ethylene Glycol 107-21-1 75-95%

PROTECTION OF STRATOSPHERIC OZONE: This product is not known to contain or to have been manufactured with ozone depleting substances as defined in 40 CFR Part 82, Appendix A to Subpart A.

CERCLA SECTION 103: Spills of this product over the RQ (reportable quantity) must be reported to the National Response Center. The RQ for this product, based on the RQ for Ethylene Glycol (95% maximum) of 5,000 lbs, is 5,260 lbs. Many states have more stringent release reporting requirements. Report spills required under federal, state and local regulations.

CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65: The normal consumer use of this product does not result in exposures to chemicals known to the State of California to cause Cancer and/or Reproductive Harm above the significant risk level for carcinogens or the maximum allowable dose levels for reproductive toxins. Therefore, no warnings are required for consumer packages. Industrial or other occupational use of this product at higher frequency and using larger quantities of this product may result in exposures exceeding these levels and are labeled accordingly.

EPA TSCA INVENTORY: All of the components of this material are listed on the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Chemical Substances Inventory.

### **Section 16. Other information**

NFPA RATING (NFPA 704) - FIRE: 1 HEALTH: 2 INSTABILITY: 0

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