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* 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**

- **Trade name:** Paraquat (chloride)

- **Synonym**

1,1'-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium salts of paraquat
paraquat-dichloride
1,1-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium dichloride
1,1-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium dichloride
paraquat dichloride;1,1-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridinium dichloride

- **CAS Number:**

1910-42-5

- **Other means of identification**

- **Article number:** 38521

- **EC number:**

217-615-7

- **Index number:**

613-090-00-7

- **Application of the substance / the mixture**

This product is for research use - Not for human or veterinary diagnostic or therapeutic use.

- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**

Cayman Chemical Co.

1180 E. Ellsworth Rd.

Ann Arbor, MI 48108

USA

- **Information department:** Product safety department

- **Emergency telephone number:**

During normal opening times: +1 (734) 971-3335

US/CANADA: 800-424-9300

Outside US/CANADA: 703-741-5970

* 2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**



GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute toxicity - oral 3

H301 Toxic if swallowed.

Acute toxicity - dermal 3

H311 Toxic in contact with skin.

Acute toxicity - inhalation 1

H330 Fatal if inhaled.

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GHS08 Health hazard

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) 1 H372 Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.



GHS05 Corrosion

Corrosive to metals 1

H290 May be corrosive to metals.



GHS09 Environment

Aquatic Acute 1

H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.

Aquatic Chronic 1

H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.



GHS07

Skin irritation 2

H315 Causes skin irritation.

Eye irritation 2A

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) 3

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Label elements

GHS label elements

The substance is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

Hazard pictograms



GHS05



GHS06



GHS07



GHS08



GHS09

Signal word Danger

Hazard statements

H290 May be corrosive to metals.

H301+H311 Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin.

H330 Fatal if inhaled.

H315 Causes skin irritation.

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

H372 Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statements

P234 Keep only in original packaging.

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

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P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection.

P284 [In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection.

P301+P310 If swallowed: Immediately call a poison center/doctor.

P330 Rinse mouth.

P302+P352 If on skin: Wash with plenty of water.

P304+P340 If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P305+P351+P338 If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P312 Call a poison center/doctor if you feel unwell.

P314 Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

P320 Specific treatment is urgent (see on this label).

P361+P364 Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

P332+P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

P337+P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

P403+P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P405 Store locked up.

P406 Store in a corrosion resistant container / container with a resistant inner liner.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

· **Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment:**

· **Classification system:**

· **NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



Health = 4
Fire = 0
Reactivity = 0

· **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**

HEALTH	4
FIRE	0
REACTIVITY	0

Health = 4
Fire = 0
Reactivity = 0

· **Other hazards**

· **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

· **PBT:** Not applicable.

· **vPvB:** Not applicable.

· **Classification according to (d)(1)(ii) of § 1910.1200**

The SDS issuer does not object to the classifications provided by importers or manufacturers of precursor products.

· **Hazards not otherwise classified**

There are no adverse physical or health effects known that are not covered by the hazard classes of the Hazard Communications Standard.

3 Composition/information on ingredients

· **Chemical characterization: Substances**

· **CAS No. Description**
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4 First-aid measures

- **Description of first aid measures**
- **General information:**
 - Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.
 - Symptoms of poisoning may even occur after several hours; therefore medical observation for at least 48 hours after the accident.
 - Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing have been completely removed.
 - In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.
- **After inhalation:**
 - Supply fresh air or oxygen; call for doctor.
 - In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.
- **After skin contact:** Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
- **After eye contact:**
 - Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing:** Do not induce vomiting; immediately call for medical help.
- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**
 - No further relevant information available.
- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**
 - No further relevant information available.

5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:**
 - Use fire fighting measures that suit the environment.
 - A solid water stream may be inefficient.
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** No further relevant information available.
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Mouth respiratory protective device.

6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**
 - Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
- **Environmental precautions:**
 - Inform respective authorities in case of seepage into water course or sewage system.
 - Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**
 - Use neutralizing agent.
 - Dispose contaminated material as waste according to section 13.
 - Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals**
- **PAC-1:** 0.15 mg/m³
- **PAC-2:** 0.25 mg/m³
- **PAC-3:** 1.5 mg/m³
- **Reference to other sections**
 - See Section 7 for information on safe handling.
 - See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

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7 Handling and storage

- **Precautions for safe handling**

Thorough dedusting.

Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.

Open and handle receptacle with care.

- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:**

Keep respiratory protective device available.

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

- **Storage:** Store in accordance with information listed on the product insert.

- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.

- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.

- **Further information about storage conditions:** Keep receptacle tightly sealed.

- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Control parameters**

- **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

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PEL	Long-term value: 0.5* mg/m ³ Skin; *respirable dust
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REL	Long-term value: 0.1* mg/m ³ *Respirable dust, Skin
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TLV	Long-term value: 0.05* mg/m ³ as the cation; *inh. fraction; Skin
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- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.

- **Exposure controls**

- **Appropriate engineering controls** No further data; see section 7.

- **Personal protective equipment:**

- **General protective and hygienic measures:**

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Store protective clothing separately.

Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

- **Breathing equipment:**

In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.

- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation. Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.

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Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

· Material of gloves

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.

· Penetration time of glove material

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

· Eye protection:



Tightly sealed goggles

9 Physical and chemical properties

· Information on basic physical and chemical properties	
· General Information	
· Physical state	Solid
· Color:	Not determined.
· Odor:	Characteristic
· Structural Formula	C12H14N2 • 2Cl
· Molecular Weight	257.16 g/mol
· Storage Buffer	
· Odor threshold:	Not determined.
· Formulation	
· Melting point/Melting range:	>23 °C (>73.4 °F)
· Boiling point/Boiling range:	>230 °C (>446 °F)
· Flammability:	Product is not flammable.
· Explosion limits:	
· Lower:	Not determined.
· Upper:	Not determined.
· Flash point:	Not applicable.
· Decomposition temperature:	Not determined.
· pH-value:	Not applicable.
· Viscosity:	
· Kinematic:	Not applicable.
· SOLUBILITY	
· Dynamic:	Not applicable.
· Solubility in / Miscibility with	
· Water:	Soluble.
· Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	Not determined.
· Vapor pressure:	Not applicable.
· Vapor pressure:	
· Density at 20 °C (68 °F):	0.25 g/cm³ (2.08625 lbs/gal)
· Relative density	Not determined.
· Vapor density	Not applicable.
· Particle characteristics	Not determined.

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· Other information	
· Appearance:	
· Form:	Solid
· Important information on protection of health and environment, and on safety.	
· Ignition temperature:	Not determined.
· Danger of explosion:	Product does not present an explosion hazard.
· Change in condition	
· Evaporation rate	Not applicable.

10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**
No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.
- **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **Incompatible materials:** No further relevant information available.
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** No dangerous decomposition products known.

11 Toxicological information

- **RTECS Number** DW2275000
- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**
- **Primary irritant effect:**
 - **on the skin:** Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.
 - **on the eye:** Irritating effect.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.
- **Additional toxicological information:**
 - **Interactive effects** No interactive effects between components are known.
 - **Carcinogenic categories**
 - **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)** Substance is not listed.
 - **NTP (National Toxicology Program)** Substance is not listed.
 - **OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)** Substance is not listed.
 - **Alternative sources for toxicological information**
No non-standard sources for toxicological information where used.

12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.
- **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

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- **Other adverse effects**

- **Remark:** Very toxic for fish

- **Additional ecological information:**

- **General notes:**

Water hazard class 3 (Self-assessment): extremely hazardous for water

Do not allow product to reach ground water, water course or sewage system, even in small quantities.

Must not reach bodies of water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralized.

Danger to drinking water if even extremely small quantities leak into the ground.

Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies.

Very toxic for aquatic organisms

13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**

- **Recommendation:**

Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.

- **Uncleaned packagings:**

- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

- **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

14 Transport information

- **UN-Number**

- **DOT, IMDG, IATA**

UN2923

- **UN proper shipping name**

- **DOT**

- **IMDG**

Corrosive solids, toxic, n.o.s. (Paraquat (chloride))
CORROSIVE SOLID, TOXIC, N.O.S. (Paraquat (chloride))

- **IATA**

Corrosive solid, toxic, n.o.s. (Paraquat (chloride))

- **Transport hazard class(es)**

- **DOT**



- **Class**

8 Corrosive substances

- **Label**

8, 6.1

- **IMDG**



- **Class**

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· **Label** 8/6.1

· **IATA**



· **Class** 8 Corrosive substances

· **Label** 8 (6.1)

· **Packing group**

· **DOT, IMDG, IATA** I

· **Environmental hazards:**

Environmentally hazardous substance, solid

· **Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code**

Not applicable.

· **Transport/Additional information:**

· **DOT**

· **Quantity limitations**

On passenger aircraft/rail: 1 kg

On cargo aircraft only: 25 kg

· **IMDG**

· **Limited quantities (LQ)**

0

· **Excepted quantities (EQ)**

Code: E0

Not permitted as Excepted Quantity

· **IATA**

· **Remarks:**

When sold in quantities of less than or equal to 1 mL, or 1 g, with an Excepted Quantity Code of E1, E2, E4, or E5, this item meets the De Minimis Quantities exemption, per IATA 2.6.10. Therefore packaging does not have to be labeled as Dangerous Goods/Excepted Quantity.

· **Special precautions for user**

Warning: Corrosive substances

· **Hazard identification number (Kemler code):** 886

F-A,S-B

· **EMS Number:**

B

· **Stowage Category**

SW2 Clear of living quarters.

· **Stowage Code**

UN 2923 CORROSIVE SOLID, TOXIC, N.O.S.

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15 Regulatory information

· **Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

No further relevant information available.

· **Sara**

· **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):** Substance is listed.

· **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):** Substance is listed.

· **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):** Substance is not listed.

· **Hazardous Air Pollutants** Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause cancer:** Substance is not listed.

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- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:** Substance is not listed.
- **Carcinogenic categories**
- **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) C**
- **TLV (Threshold Limit Value)** Substance is not listed.
- **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

16 Other information

All chemicals may pose unknown hazards and should be used with caution. This SDS applies only to the material as packaged. If this product is combined with other materials, deteriorates, or becomes contaminated, it may pose hazards not mentioned in this SDS. Cayman Chemical Company assumes no responsibility for incidental or consequential damages, including lost profits, arising from the use of these data. It shall be the user's responsibility to develop proper methods of handling and personal protection based on the actual conditions of use. While this SDS is based on technical data judged to be reliable, Cayman Chemical Company assumes no responsibility for the completeness or accuracy of the information contained herein.

- **Department issuing SDS:** Environment protection department.

- **Contact:** -

- **Date of previous version** 07/18/2023

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- **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety

OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health

TLV: Threshold Limit Value

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

REL: Recommended Exposure Limit

Corrosive to metals 1: Corrosive to metals – Category 1

Acute toxicity - oral 3: Acute toxicity – Category 3

Acute toxicity - inhalation 1: Acute toxicity – Category 1

Skin irritation 2: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 2

Eye irritation 2A: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 2A

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) 3: Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) – Category 3

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) 1: Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) – Category 1

Aquatic Acute 1: Hazardous to the aquatic environment - acute aquatic hazard – Category 1

Aquatic Chronic 1: Hazardous to the aquatic environment - long-term aquatic hazard – Category 1

- * **Data compared to the previous version altered.**

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