MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

MSDS

ProGuard Calcium Hypochlorite Tablets



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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME: ProGuard Calcium Hypochlorite Tablets

GENERAL USE: Recreational water sanitizer. **CHEMICAL FAMILY:** Hypochlorites

MANUFACTURER

Bio-Lab, Inc. ProGuard P.O. Box 1489 Decatur, GA 30031

Customer SERVICE: (800)859-7946

COMMENTS: EPA Registration Number: 5185-484

24 HR. EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

CHEMTREC (Transportation) (800) 424-9300 Poison Control Center (Medical) (877)800-5553

2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

 Chemical Name
 CAS#
 Wt.%

 Calcium Hypochlorite
 7778-54-3
 67

COMMENTS: Available Chlorine: 67%

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

PHYSICAL APPEARANCE: White tablets.

IMMEDIATE CONCERNS: DANGER: Highly Corrosive: Causes skin and eye damage. May be fatal if swallowed. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not handle with bare hands. When handling this product, wear rubber gloves, goggles or safety glasses, and use only thoroughly clean, dry utensils. Irritating to nose and throat. Avoid breathing dust and fumes. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

EYES: DANGER: Highly Corrosive. Causes eye damage. Do not get in eyes. **SKIN:** DANGER: Highly Corrosive. Causes skin damage. Do not get on skin.

INGESTION: May be fatal if swallowed.

INHALATION: Irritating to nose and throat. Avoid breathing dust or fumes.

ROUTES OF ENTRY: Skin Contact, Inhalation, Ingestion, Eye Contact.

COMMENTS HEALTH: There are no known chronic hazards.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

EYES: If contact with eyes occurs: Immediately flush with cold water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.

SKIN: If contact with skin: Brush off excess chemical and flush skin with cold water for at least 15 minutes. If irritation persists, get medical attention.

INGESTION: If swallowed: Drink large amounts of water. Do not induce vomiting. Avoid alcohol. NEVER GIVE ANYTHING BY MOUTH TO AN UNCONSCIOUS PERSON. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

INHALATION: If inhaled: Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, have trained person administer oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Call a physician immediately.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN: Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FLASHPOINT AND METHOD: Not Flammable

GENERAL HAZARD: Calcium Hypochlorite is a strong oxidizing agent. May form explosive mixtures with combustible, organic or other oxidizable materials.

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: In case of fire or smoke, call the fire department. Do not attempt to extinguish the fire without a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Do not let the fire burn. Flood with copious amounts of water. DO NOT use ABC or other dry chemical extinguishers since there is the potential for a violent reaction. Water in contact with hot Calcium Hypochlorite can release hydrochloric acid or chlorine gas.

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS: Chlorine, oxygen and chlorine monoxide at higher temperature.

FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES: Firefighters should wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Using a 10% solution of sodium carbonate, thoroughly decontaminate fire fighting equipment including all fire fighting apparel after the incident.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

GENERAL PROCEDURES: Using appropriate protective clothing and safety equipment, contain spilled material. Do not add water to spilled material. Using clean dedicated equipment, sweep and scoop all spilled material, contaminated soil, and other contaminated material and place into clean dry containers for disposal. Do not use floor sweeping compounds to clean up spills. Do not close containing wet or damp material. They should be left open to disperse any hazardous gases that may form. Do not transport wet or damp material. Keep product out of sewers, watersheds and water systems. Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal or cleaning of equipment. Dispose of according to local, state and federal regulations.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

HANDLING: STRONG OXIDIZING AGENT: Add only into water. Contamination may start a chemical reaction with generation of heat, liberation of hazardous gases, and possible fire and explosion. Avoid any contact with flame or burning material, such as a lighted cigarette. Do not contaminate with moisture, garbage, dirt, organic matter, chemicals, including other pool chemicals, pool chlorinating compoiunds, household products, cyanuric acid pool stabilizers, soap products, paint products, solvents, acids, vinegar, beverages, oils, pine oil, dirty rags or any other foreign matter. Do not use this product in any automatic chlorinating device other than calcium hypochlorite tablet or briquette feeder systems. Such improper use may cause fire or explosion. Do not permit this product to contact metal or plastic pool linings. Do not throw this product directly into pool. Do not use Trichlor-s-triazinetrione (Stabilized Chlorine) tablets or any other chlorinating compound in systems that use this product. Use clean, dry utensils. In case of contamination or decomposition, do not reseal container. If possible, isolate container in open air or well ventilated area. Flood area with large volumes of water.

STORAGE: Keep this product in original tightly closed container when not in use. Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area away from heat or open flame. In case of decomposition, isolate container if possible and flood area with large amounts of water to dissolve all material before discarding this container. Do not reuse empty container but place in trash collection. Do not contaminate food or feed by storage or disposal.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE GUIDELINES:

OSHA HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Calcium Hypochlorite

OSHA TABLE COMMENTS:

1. N/E = Not Established

ENGINEERING CONTROLS: General room ventilation plus local exhaust should be used to minimize exposure to dust/vapors.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

EYES AND FACE: Wear goggles or safety glasses with side shields when handling this product.

SKIN: Wear rubber gloves when handling this product. Avoid contact with skin.

RESPIRATORY: A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant a respirator's use.

WORK HYGIENIC PRACTICES: Remove and wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

OTHER USE PRECAUTIONS: Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash and safety shower.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL STATE: Solid

ODOR: Chlorine APPEARANCE: Tablet COLOR: White pH: 11.5(5% solution)

VAPOR PRESSURE: Not Established VAPOR DENSITY: Not Established BOILING POINT: Not Applicable THERMAL DECOMPOSITION: >100°C SOLUBILITY IN WATER: 18g / 100g water SPECIFIC GRAVITY: 2.35 (water=1)

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

CONDITIONS TO AVOID: High temperature. Poor ventilation. Contamination. Moisture/high humidity.

STABILITY: This product is stable under normal conditions.

POLYMERIZATION: Hazardous polymerization will not occur under normal conditions.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS: Chlorine, oxygen and chlorine monoxide at higher temperatures.

INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS: This is a strong oxidizing agent. Avoid contact with water on concentrated material in the container. Keep away from household soap, suntan lotion, paint products, solvents, acids, beverages, lighted cigarettes, combustible materials, garbage, dirt, dirty rags, organic materials and other swimming pool/spa chemicals in their concentrated forms. Mixing with any of the above materials can initiate a hazardous decomposition. Contact with acids or moisture evolves chlorine gas. Reacts with ammonia, urea and amines (can form reactive and toxic chloramines). Metal oxides can cause decomposition.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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ORAL LD₅₀: 850 mg/kg (rat).

EYE EFFECTS: This product is corrosive to eyes.

SKIN EFFECTS: This product is corrosive to skin.

CARCINOGENICITY:

This product is not listed as a carcinogen by IARC.

This product is not listed as a carcinogen by NTP.

This product is not listed as a carcinogen by OSHA.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION: This pesticide is toxic to fish and aquatic organisms. Do not disharge effluent containing this product into lakes, streams, ponds or estuaries, oceans, or other waters unless in accordance with the requirements of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and the permitting authority has been notified in writing prior to discharge. Do not discharge effluent containing this product to sewer systems without previously notifying the local sewage treatment plant authority. For guidance contact your State Water Board or Regional Office of the EPA.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

DISPOSAL METHOD: Pesticide wastes are toxic. Improper disposal of excess pesticide or rinsate is a violation of Federal Law. If these wastes cannot be disposed of by use according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency or the Hazardous Waste Representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance. Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal or cleaning of equipment. Do not put product, spilled product, or filled or partially filled containers into the trash or waste compactor. Contact with incompatible materials could cause a reaction or fire.

EMPTY CONTAINER: Do not reuse container. Rinse thoroughly before discarding in trash.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION)
PROPER SHIPPING NAME: Calcium Hypochlorite, hydrated
PRIMARY HAZARD CLASS/DIVISION: 5.1

UN/NA NUMBER: 2880 PACKING GROUP: II

REPORTABLE QUANTITY (RQ) UNDER CERCLA: 10 lb.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

UNITED STATES

SARA TITLE III (SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT)

313 REPORTABLE INGREDIENTS: This product or its components are not listed.

CERCLA (COMPREHENSIVE RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT)

CERCLA REGULATORY: This product is listed as a CERCLA Hazardous Substance.

CERCLA RQ: Calcium hypochlorite RQ is 10 lb.

TSCA (TOXIC SUBSTANCE CONTROL ACT)

TSCA REGULATORY: This product or its components are not subject to export notification.

TSCA STATUS: This product or its components are listed on the TSCA Inventory.

OSHA HAZARD COMM. RULE: Product is hazardous by definition of the Hazardous Communication Standard.

CLEAN WATER ACT: This product is listed as a hazardous substance under the Clean Water Act.

FIFRA (FEDERAL INSECTICIDE, FUNGICIDE, AND RODENTICIDE ACT): This product is a registered pesticide.

SDWA (SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT): Not listed.

CANADA

WHMIS (WORKER HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION SYSTEM): Proposed WHMIS Classification:

- C Oxidizing Material
- E Corrosive Material

16. OTHER INFORMATION

PREPARED BY: Regulatory Affairs Department

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This MSDS replaces the May 24, 2000 MSDS. Any changes in information are as follows:

In Section 7

Handling Storage

HMIS RATING

HEALTH:		3
FLAMMABILITY:		0
PHYSICAL HAZARD:		2
PERSONAL PROTECTION:		В

NFPA RATING

HEALTH:	3
FIRE:	0
REACTIVITY:	2

Key

- 4 = Severe
- 3 = Serious
- 2 = Moderate
- 1 = Slight
- 0 = Minimal

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