# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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#### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

## **Cetyl Alcohol**

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#### SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Cetyl alcohol

Synonym: 1-hexadecanol CAS#: 36653-82-4

#### **SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

White powder or flakes. Faint citrus-like odor.

Mildly toxic by ingestion.

Body tissue irritant. Avoid all body tissue contact.

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Health-1 Flammability-1 Reactivity-0

Exposure-1 Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

#### **SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES**

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Rinse mouth. Give large quantities of water for dilution. Call a physician or poison control at once.

#### **SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Combustible solid.

Flash point: 110 °C Flammable limits: Lower: 1% Upper: 8% Autoignition Temperature: 251 °C

When heated to decomposition, emits acrid smoke and fumes.

Fire Fighting Instructions: Use a triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and

SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.

NFPA CODE

None Established

### SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

#### **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #2. Store with alcohols, glycols, amines, and amides. Store in a cool, dry place. Use a fume hood when heating

#### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and chemical-resistant apron. Use exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

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#### **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

White powder or flakes with a faint citrus-like odor. Solubility: Partially soluble in alcohol. Insoluble in water.

Formula: CH<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>14</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH Formula weight: 242.50 Boiling point: 180 °C Melting point: 54-56 °C Specific gravity: 0.82

#### **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with strong oxidizers. Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly.

#### **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: Irritant. ORL-RAT  $LD_{50}$ : 5 g/kg Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT  $LC_{50}$ : N.A. SKN-RBT  $LD_{50}$ : N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

#### **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Data not yet available.

#### SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding. Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #18b is one option.

#### **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Not regulated

Hazard class: N/A UN number: N/A N/A = Not applicable

#### <u>SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION</u>

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (253-149-0).

#### **SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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