

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Methylene blue

Product Number : M9140

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

##### OSHA Hazards

Target Organ Effect, Irritant

##### Target Organs

Blood, Central nervous system, Eyes

##### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word : Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
H315 Causes skin irritation.  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.  
P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.  
P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.  
P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position 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 or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.  
P321 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).  
P330 Rinse mouth.  
P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.  
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.  
P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.  
P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P405 Store locked up.  
P501 Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

#### HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 2  
Chronic Health Hazard: \*  
Flammability: 0  
Physical hazards: 0

#### NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 2  
Fire: 0  
Reactivity Hazard: 0

#### Potential Health Effects

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.  
**Skin** May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.  
**Eyes** Causes eye irritation.  
**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

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### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Tetramethylthionine chloride  
3,7-bis(Dimethylamino)phenazathionium chloride  
Basic Blue 9

Formula :  $C_{16}H_{18}ClN_3S \cdot 3H_2O$   
Molecular Weight : 373.9 g/mol

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
<b>Methylthionium chloride</b>			
7220-79-3	200-515-2	-	-

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

#### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

#### Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

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### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### Personal precautions

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing dust. Ensure adequate ventilation.

#### Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

## Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

### Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Keep in a dry place.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a dust mask type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Hand protection

Handle with gloves.

#### Eye protection

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166

#### Skin and body protection

Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.

#### Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

Form	powder
Colour	dark green

### Safety data

pH	no data available
Melting point	190 °C (374 °F)
Boiling point	no data available
Flash point	no data available
Ignition temperature	no data available
Lower explosion limit	no data available
Upper explosion limit	no data available
Water solubility	soluble

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Conditions to avoid

no data available

**Materials to avoid**

Strong oxidizing agents

**Hazardous decomposition products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Sulphur oxides, Hydrogen chloride gas

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**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Acute toxicity**

no data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

no data available

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

no data available

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

no data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

no data available

**Carcinogenicity**

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

**Reproductive toxicity**

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (GHS)**

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (GHS)**

no data available

**Aspiration hazard**

no data available

**Potential health effects**

<b>Inhalation</b>	May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	May be harmful if swallowed.
<b>Skin</b>	May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
<b>Eyes</b>	Causes eye irritation.

**Signs and Symptoms of Exposure**

Absorption into the body leads to the formation of methemoglobin which in sufficient concentration causes cyanosis. Onset may be delayed 2 to 4 hours or longer., Vomiting, Diarrhoea, To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

**Additional Information**

RTECS: SP5740000

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Toxicity**

no data available

**Persistence and degradability**

no data available

**Bioaccumulative potential**

no data available

**Mobility in soil**

no data available

**PBT and vPvB assessment**

no data available

**Other adverse effects**

no data available

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Product**

Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**DOT (US)**

Not dangerous goods

**IMDG**

Not dangerous goods

**IATA**

Not dangerous goods

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**OSHA Hazards**

Target Organ Effect, Irritant

**DSL Status**

All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL list.

**SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

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**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

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**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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**Further information**

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