# Material Safety Data Sheet / Safety Data sheet Calcium Carbide

# Section 1: Chemical Product Identifier and Synonyms

Product Name: Calcium Carbide

UN Number: 1402

CAS Number: 75-20-7

Chemical Formula: CaC2

# Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

Composition

Name	CAS Number:	% By Weight
Calcium Carbide	75-20-7	100%

Toxicology Data On Ingredients: Calcium Carbide LD50: Not Available. LC50: Not Available

## Section 3: Hazards Identification

#### **Potential Acute Health Effects:**

May cause skin irritation. May cause serious eye damage. May cause damage to respiratory system.

#### **Potential Chronic Health Effects:**

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available.

#### Section 4: First Aid Measures

#### **Eye Contact:**

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

#### **Skin Contact:**

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

#### Inhalation:

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

#### Ingestion:

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

## Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

**Flammability of the Product:** This product is not flammable.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature: 390 °C** 

Flash Points: Not applicable.

Flammable Limits: Not applicable.

Products of Combustion: Not available.

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Not applicable.

**Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:** Not available.

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

Fire Fighting Media and Instructions: Suitable fire extinguishing media: Dry powder. Wear

self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

**Special Remarks on Fire Hazards:** Calcium oxide. **Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:** Not available.

#### Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

#### **Small Spill:**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

#### **Large Spill:**

Sweep up and shovel. Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations. Do not flush with water. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

# Section 7: Handling and Storage

#### **Precautions:**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition. No smoking.

#### **Storage:**

Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Never

allow product to get in contact with water during storage. Store under inert gas. Moisture sensitive. Reacts violently with water. Handle and store under inert gas.

## Section 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

#### **Engineering Controls:**

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

#### **Personal Protection:**

Safety glasses. Gloves. Protective clothing. Dust production: dust mask with filter.

#### Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:

Splash goggles. Full suit. Boots. Gloves. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

#### **Exposure Limits:**

Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

### Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state and appearance: Small or Large Lumps.

**Odour:** Not available. **Taste:** Not available.

Molecular Weight: 64.10 g/mole

Colour: Not available.

**pH (1% soln/water):** 12,48 at 20 g/l

**Boiling Point:** Not available. **Melting Point:** 2.300 °C

**Critical Temperature:** Not available.

**Specific Gravity:** Not available. (Water = 1)

**Vapour Pressure:** Not available. **Vapour Density:** Not available.

Volatility: Not available.

Odour Threshold: Not available.
Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.: Not available.
Ionicity (in Water): Not available.
Dispersion Properties: Not available.

**Solubility:** Not available.

# Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability: Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**Instability Temperature:** Not available.

**Conditions of Instability:** Exposure to moisture.

Incompatibility with various substances: Strong oxidizing agents, Reacts violently with water.

**Special Remarks on Reactivity:** Not available. **Special Remarks on Corrosivity:** Not available.

Polymerization: Not available.

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

Routes of Entry: Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

Toxicity to Animals: (LD50): Not available. LC50: Not available.

Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available.

Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans: Not available.

## Section 12: Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** Not available. **BOD5 and COD:** Not available.

Products of Biodegradation: Not available.

**Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:** Not available.

Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation: Not available.

# Section 13: Disposal Information

Waste Disposal: Dispose of in accordance with local regulations

## Section 14: Transport Information

**DOT Classification:** Class: 4.3: Substances high in contact with water emit flam

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**Special Provisions for Transport:** Not available.

# Section 15: Regulatory Information

Regulations: Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008.

## Section 16: Other Information

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