

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

DOW SOUTHERN AFRICA (PTY) LTD

## Product name: DOWCAL<sup>™</sup> N Heat Transfer Fluid

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DOW SOUTHERN AFRICA (PTY) LTD encourages and expects you to read and understand the entire (M)SDS, as there is important information throughout the document. We expect you to follow the precautions identified in this document unless your use conditions would necessitate other appropriate methods or actions.

## **1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product name: DOWCAL<sup>™</sup> N Heat Transfer Fluid

## Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

**Identified uses:** Intended as a heat transfer fluid for closed-loop systems. This product is acceptable for use as a heat transfer fluid where there is possibility of incidental food contact and as a product for use in the immersion or spray freezing of wrapped meat and packaged poultry products. We recommend that you use this product in a manner consistent with the listed use. If your intended use is not consistent with the stated use, please contact your sales or technical service representative.

## **COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## Classification of the substance or mixture

Not a hazardous substance or mixture according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008.

#### Label elements

Not a hazardous substance or mixture according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008.

## Other hazards

No data available

## **3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

| CASRN   | Concentration | Component        | Classification |
|---|---------------|------------------|----------------|
| CASRN<br>57-55-6<br>EC-No.<br>200-338-0<br>Index-No.<br>– | > 95,0 %      | Propylene glycol | Not classified |

This product is a mixture.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

## Description of first aid measures

**General advice:** If potential for exposure exists refer to Section 8 for specific personal protective equipment.

Inhalation: Move person to fresh air; if effects occur, consult a physician.

Skin contact: Wash off with plenty of water.

**Eye contact:** Flush eyes thoroughly with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses after the initial 1-2 minutes and continue flushing for several additional minutes. If effects occur, consult a physician, preferably an ophthalmologist.

Ingestion: No emergency medical treatment necessary.

**Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed:** Aside from the information found under Description of first aid measures (above) and Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed (below), any additional important symptoms and effects are described in Section 11: Toxicology Information.

## Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

**Notes to physician:** No specific antidote. Treatment of exposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient.

## **5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

**Suitable extinguishing media:** Water fog or fine spray. Dry chemical fire extinguishers. Carbon dioxide fire extinguishers. Foam. Alcohol resistant foams (ATC type) are preferred. General purpose synthetic foams (including AFFF) or protein foams may function, but will be less effective.

Unsuitable extinguishing media: Do not use direct water stream. May spread fire.

## Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

**Hazardous combustion products:** During a fire, smoke may contain the original material in addition to combustion products of varying composition which may be toxic and/or irritating. Combustion products may include and are not limited to: Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide.

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Container may rupture from gas generation in a fire situation. Violent steam generation or eruption may occur upon application of direct water stream to hot liquids.

## Advice for firefighters

**Fire Fighting Procedures:** Keep people away. Isolate fire and deny unnecessary entry. Use water spray to cool fire exposed containers and fire affected zone until fire is out and danger of reignition has passed. Fight fire from protected location or safe distance. Consider the use of unmanned hose holders or monitor nozzles. Immediately withdraw all personnel from the area in case of rising sound from venting safety device or discoloration of the container. Burning liquids may be extinguished by dilution with water. Do not use direct water stream. May spread fire. Move container from fire area if this is possible without hazard. Burning liquids may be moved by flushing with water to protect personnel and minimize property damage.

**Special protective equipment for firefighters:** Wear positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and protective fire fighting clothing (includes fire fighting helmet, coat, trousers, boots, and gloves). If protective equipment is not available or not used, fight fire from a protected location or safe distance.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:** Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering the area. Use appropriate safety equipment. For additional information, refer to Section 8, Exposure Controls and Personal Protection.

**Environmental precautions:** Prevent from entering into soil, ditches, sewers, waterways and/or groundwater. See Section 12, Ecological Information.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:** Small spills: Absorb with materials such as: Cat litter. Sawdust. Vermiculite. Zorb-all®. Collect in suitable and properly labeled containers. Large spills: Dike area to contain spill. See Section 13, Disposal Considerations, for additional information.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Precautions for safe handling:** No special precautions required. Keep container closed. Spills of these organic materials on hot fibrous insulations may lead to lowering of the autoignition temperatures possibly resulting in spontaneous combustion. See Section 8, EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION.

**Conditions for safe storage:** Do not store in: Opened or unlabeled containers. Store in the following material(s): Store in tightly closed container. Use only with adequate ventilation. See Section 10 for more specific information. Additional storage and handling information on this product may be obtained by calling your sales or customer service contact.

Storage stability

Shelf life: Use within 24 Month

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

## **Control parameters**

Exposure limits are listed below, if they exist.

| Component        | Regulation | Type of listing                                       | Value/Notation    |
|------------------|------------|---|-------------------|
| Propylene glycol | US WEEL    | TWA   | 10 mg/m3          |
|                  | ZA OEL     | TWA OEL-RL  | 10 mg/m3          |
|                  | ZA OEL     | particulate<br>TWA OEL-RL<br>Vapour +<br>particulates | 470 mg/m3 150 ppm |

## Exposure controls

**Engineering controls:** Use local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, general ventilation should be sufficient for most operations. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary for some operations.

#### Individual protection measures

**Eye/face protection:** Use safety glasses (with side shields). Safety glasses (with side shields) should be consistent with EN 166 or equivalent.

#### Skin protection

Hand protection: Use gloves chemically resistant to this material when prolonged or frequently repeated contact could occur. Use chemical resistant gloves classified under Standard EN374: Protective gloves against chemicals and micro-organisms. Examples of preferred glove barrier materials include: Butyl rubber. Natural rubber ("latex"). Neoprene. Nitrile/butadiene rubber ("nitrile" or "NBR"). Polyethylene. Ethyl vinyl alcohol laminate ("EVAL"). Polyvinyl alcohol ("PVA"). Polyvinyl chloride ("PVC" or "vinyl"). When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 4 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 120 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended. When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 1 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 10 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended. Glove thickness alone is not a good indicator of the level of protection a glove provides against a chemical substance as this level of protection is also highly dependent on the specific composition of the material that the glove is fabricated from. The thickness of the glove must, depending on model and type of material, generally be more than 0.35 mm to offer sufficient protection for prolonged and frequent contact with the substance. As an exception to this general rule it is known that multilayer laminate gloves may offer prolonged protection at thicknesses less than 0.35 mm. Other glove materials with a thickness of less than 0.35 mm may offer sufficient protection when only brief contact is expected. NOTICE: The selection of a specific glove for a particular application and duration of use in a workplace should also take into account all relevant workplace factors such as, but not limited to: Other chemicals which may be handled, physical requirements (cut/puncture protection, dexterity, thermal protection), potential body reactions to glove materials, as well as the instructions/specifications provided by the glove supplier.

Other protection: Wear clean, body-covering clothing.

**Respiratory protection:** Respiratory protection should be worn when there is a potential to exceed the exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, wear respiratory protection when adverse effects, such as respiratory irritation or discomfort have been experienced, or where indicated by your risk assessment process. In misty atmospheres, use an approved particulate respirator.

Use the following CE approved air-purifying respirator: Organic vapor cartridge with a particulate pre-filter, type AP2.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

| Appearance                                 |  |
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| Physical state                             | Liquid.  |
| Color                                      | Colorless  |
| Odor                                       | Odorless   |
| Odor Threshold                             | No test data available   |
| рН   | 9,0 - 10,0 50% Literature  |
| Melting point/range                        | Not applicable to liquids  |
| Freezing point                             | supercools   |
| Boiling point (760 mmHg)                   | 152 °C Literature  |
| Flash point                                | <b>closed cup</b> 104 °C <i>Pensky-Martens Closed Cup ASTM D</i> 93 (based on major component) |
| Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1)       | No test data available   |
| Flammability (solid, gas)                  | Not applicable to liquids  |
| Lower explosion limit                      | 2,6 % vol Literature Propylene glycol.   |
| Upper explosion limit                      | 12,5 % vol Literature Propylene glycol.  |
| Vapor Pressure                             | 2,2 mmHg Literature  |
| Relative Vapor Density (air = 1)           | >1,0 Literature  |
| Relative Density (water = 1)               | 1,05 at 20 °C / 20 °C Literature   |
| Water solubility                           | 100 % Literature   |
| Partition coefficient: n-<br>octanol/water | No data available  |
| Auto-ignition temperature                  | 371 °C Literature Propylene glycol.  |
| Decomposition temperature                  | No test data available   |
| Kinematic Viscosity                        | 43,4 cSt at 20 °C Literature   |
| Explosive properties                       | No data available  |
| Oxidizing properties                       | No data available  |
| Molecular weight                           | No data available  |
|  |  |

NOTE: The physical data presented above are typical values and should not be construed as a specification.

## **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity: No data available

**Chemical stability:** Stable under recommended storage conditions. See Storage, Section 7. Hygroscopic

Possibility of hazardous reactions: Polymerization will not occur.

**Conditions to avoid:** Exposure to elevated temperatures can cause product to decompose. Generation of gas during decomposition can cause pressure in closed systems. Avoid direct sunlight or ultraviolet sources.

Incompatible materials: Avoid contact with: Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong oxidizers.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Decomposition products depend upon temperature, air supply and the presence of other materials. Decomposition products can include and are not limited to: Aldehydes. Alcohols. Ethers. Organic acids.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicological information appears in this section when such data is available.

## Acute toxicity

#### Acute oral toxicity

Very low toxicity if swallowed. Harmful effects not anticipated from swallowing small amounts.

For the major component(s): Propylene glycol. LD50, Rat, > 20 000 mg/kg

## Acute dermal toxicity

Prolonged skin contact is unlikely to result in absorption of harmful amounts.

For the major component(s): Propylene glycol. LD50, Rabbit, > 20 000 mg/kg

## Acute inhalation toxicity

At room temperature, exposure to vapor is minimal due to low volatility. Mist may cause irritation of upper respiratory tract (nose and throat).

For the major component(s): LC50, Rat, 4 Hour, vapour, 6,15 mg/l No deaths occurred following exposure to a saturated atmosphere.

## Skin corrosion/irritation

Prolonged contact is essentially nonirritating to skin. Repeated contact may cause flaking and softening of skin.

## Serious eye damage/eye irritation

May cause slight temporary eye irritation. Corneal injury is unlikely.

## Sensitization

For the major component(s): Did not cause allergic skin reactions when tested in humans.

For respiratory sensitization: No relevant data found.

## Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Single Exposure)

Evaluation of available data suggests that this material is not an STOT-SE toxicant.

#### Specific Target Organ Systemic Toxicity (Repeated Exposure)

In rare cases, repeated excessive exposure to propylene glycol may cause central nervous system effects.

#### Carcinogenicity

Similar formulations did not cause cancer in laboratory animals.

#### Teratogenicity

For the major component(s): Did not cause birth defects or any other fetal effects in laboratory animals.

#### Reproductive toxicity

For the major component(s): In animal studies, did not interfere with reproduction. In animal studies, did not interfere with fertility.

#### **Mutagenicity**

In vitro genetic toxicity studies were negative. For the major component(s): Animal genetic toxicity studies were negative.

#### Aspiration Hazard

Based on physical properties, not likely to be an aspiration hazard.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicological information appears in this section when such data is available.

## Toxicity

#### Propylene glycol

#### Acute toxicity to fish

Material is not classified as dangerous to aquatic organisms (LC50/EC50/IC50/LL50/EL50 greater than 100 mg/L in most sensitive species).

LC50, Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout), static test, 96 Hour, 40 613 mg/l, OECD Test Guideline 203

## Acute toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

LC50, Ceriodaphnia dubia (water flea), static test, 48 Hour, 18 340 mg/l, OECD Test Guideline 202

#### Acute toxicity to algae/aquatic plants

ErC50, Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae), 96 Hour, Growth rate inhibition, 19 000 mg/l, OECD Test Guideline 201

## Toxicity to bacteria

NOEC, Pseudomonas putida, 18 Hour, > 20 000 mg/l

## Chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

NOEC, Ceriodaphnia dubia (water flea), semi-static test, 7 d, number of offspring, 13 020 mg/l

## Persistence and degradability

## Propylene glycol

Biodegradability: Material is readily biodegradable. Passes OECD test(s) for ready biodegradability. Biodegradation may occur under anaerobic conditions (in the absence of oxygen).
10-day Window: Pass
Biodegradation: 81 %
Exposure time: 28 d
Method: OECD Test Guideline 301F or Equivalent
10-day Window: Not applicable
Biodegradation: 96 %
Exposure time: 64 d
Method: OECD Test Guideline 306 or Equivalent

## Bioaccumulative potential

## Propylene glycol

**Bioaccumulation:** Bioconcentration potential is low (BCF < 100 or Log Pow < 3). **Partition coefficient:** n-octanol/water(log Pow): -1,07 Measured **Bioconcentration factor (BCF):** 0,09 Estimated.

## Mobility in soil

## Propylene glycol

Given its very low Henry's constant, volatilization from natural bodies of water or moist soil is not expected to be an important fate process. Potential for mobility in soil is very high (Koc between 0 and 50). **Partition coefficient (Koc):** < 1 Estimated.

## Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

## Propylene glycol

This substance is not considered to be persistent, bioaccumulating and toxic (PBT). This substance is not considered to be very persistent and very bioaccumulating (vPvB).

## Other adverse effects

## Propylene glycol

This substance is not on the Montreal Protocol list of substances that deplete the ozone layer.

## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Disposal methods:** Any disposal practice must be in compliance with all local and national laws and regulations. Do not dump into any sewers, on the ground, or into any body of water.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### Classification for ROAD and Rail transport:

Not regulated for transport

## Classification for SEA transport (IMO-IMDG):

Not regulated for transport Consult IMO regulations before transporting ocean bulk

according to Annex I or II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC or IGC Code

Transport in bulk

Classification for AIR transport (IATA/ICAO):

Not regulated for transport

This information is not intended to convey all specific regulatory or operational requirements/information relating to this product. Transportation classifications may vary by container volume and may be influenced by regional or country variations in regulations. Additional transportation system information can be obtained through an authorized sales or customer service representative. It is the responsibility of the transportation of the material.

## **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

Seveso III: Directive 2012/18/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on the control of major-accident hazards involving dangerous substances. Listed in Regulation: Not applicable

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

## Revision

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#### Legend

| TWA        | 8-hr Time Weighted Average  |
|------------|---|
| TWA OEL-RL | Long term occupational exposure limits - recommended limit            |
| US WEEL    | USA. Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels (WEEL)                   |
| ZA OEL     | South Africa. Hazardous Chemical Substances Regulations, Occupational |
|            | Exposure Limits   |

## Information Source and References

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