

# Safety Data Sheet (SDS) Information

## What is a Safety Data Sheet?

An SDS (formally known as Material Safety Data Sheets) is a document that has a specific 16-section format in alignment with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS) that the manufacturer, importer, or distributor of a chemical product is required to provide to users. An SDS provides information so that users who handle the chemical have the hazard information to safely use, handle and store the product.



## How do I log on?

Log on to a computer with Internet access at <https://chemmanagement.ehs.com/9/a484e82f-ab41-40a6-a2d6-e9bbd89bc48d/msdsonline-search>.

## Where do I find an Safety Data Sheets?

The program is internet-based, so you can access it anytime from anywhere. You just logon to a computer Internet connection. To find an SDA go to <https://chemmanagement.ehs.com/9/a484e82f-ab41-40a6-a2d6-e9bbd89bc48d/msdsonline-search/>. You can search by manufacturer, brand, product name, chemical name, CAS number. Click on the Search button and a list of all available SDA containing that product name will appear. Select the product that best matches. You have the option of selecting the PDF icon and the full SDA will appear or you may select the product name and basic information will appear regarding that product.

## How do I read Safety Data Sheets?

A Safety Data Sheet can be used for learning:

1. the hazards of being exposed to a certain chemical;
2. how to handle and store a hazardous chemical; and
3. first aid and medical measures.



The best way to learn how to use an SDS is simply to spend some time reading one. For most users, the most important sections of the SDA are:

- Sect. 3 Hazards Identification
- Sect. 4 First Aid Measures
- Sect. 6 Accidental Release Measures
- Sect. 7 Handling and Storage
- Sect. 8 Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

## What If I Cannot Find Safety Data Sheets?

If you cannot find the desired SDA at this website, try a Google search with the chemical's information (and include SDA). This will usually lead directly to an SDA.

## What If Internet Service Is Not Available?

Health Hazard Data and First Aid Information may be obtained **FOR EMERGENCY USE** from **Poison Control Center (1-800-222-1222)**. These are for emergency use ONLY

If you have any questions, please call Risk Management, at (805) 385-1501 extension 2442 or 2441.