



**Mercuric Oxide Red**  
**CAS No 21908-53-2**

**MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET**  
**SDS/MSDS**

**SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking**

**1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Mercuric Oxide Red

CAS No. : 21908-53-2

**1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Industrial & for professional use only.

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency Phone # : +91 11 49404040 (9:00am - 6:00 pm) [Office hours]

**SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

**2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**

Acute toxicity, (Category 2) H300: Fatal if swallowed.

Acute toxicity, (Category 2) H330: Fatal if inhaled.

Acute toxicity, (Category 1) H310: Fatal in contact with skin.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure, (Category 2), Kidney

H373: May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Short-term (acute) aquatic hazard, (Category 1)

H400: Very toxic to aquatic life.

Long-term (chronic) aquatic hazard, (Category 1)

H410: Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

## 2.2 Label elements

### Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Pictogram



Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

H300 + H310 + H330  
H373

Fatal if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.  
May cause damage to organs (Kidney) through prolonged or repeated exposure.  
Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

H410

Precautionary Statements

P262

Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

P264

Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

P273

Avoid release to the environment.

P280

Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing.

P302 + P352 + P310

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

P304 + P340 + P310

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

Supplemental Hazard Statements

none

### Reduced Labeling (<= 125 ml)

Pictogram



Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

H300 + H310 + H330

Fatal if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.

Precautionary Statements

P262

Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

P264

Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

P280

Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing.

P302 + P352 + P310

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

P304 + P340 + P310

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

Supplemental Hazard Statements                      none

### 2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Ecological information:

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Toxicological information:

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Formula : HgO  
Molecular weight : 216,59 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 21908-53-2  
EC-No. : 244-654-7  
Index-No. : 080-002-00-6

Component		Classification	Concentration
<b>Mercury(II) oxide</b>			
CAS-No.	21908-53-2	Acute Tox. 2; Acute Tox. 1; STOT RE 2; Aquatic Acute 1; Aquatic Chronic 1; H300, H330, H310, H373, H400, H410 Concentration limits: >= 0,1 %: STOT RE 2, H373; M-Factor - Aquatic Acute: 1 - Aquatic Chronic: 100	<= 100 %
EC-No.	244-654-7		
Index-No.	080-002-00-6		

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### General advice

First aiders need to protect themselves. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

**If inhaled**

After inhalation: fresh air. Immediately call in physician. If breathing stops: immediately apply artificial respiration, if necessary also oxygen.

**In case of skin contact**

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Call a physician immediately.

**In case of eye contact**

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

**If swallowed**

If swallowed: give water to drink (two glasses at most). Seek medical advice immediately. In exceptional cases only, if medical care is not available within one hour, induce vomiting (only in persons who are wide awake and fully conscious), administer activated charcoal (20 - 40 g in a 10% slurry) and consult a doctor as quickly as possible.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

**4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

No data available

**SECTION 5: Firefighting measures****5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

**Unsuitable extinguishing media**

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Mercury/mercury oxides.

Not combustible.

Fire may cause evolution of:

mercury vapours

Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

**5.4 Further information**

Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

## **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

### **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid generation and inhalation of dusts in all circumstances. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.  
For personal protection see section 8.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

### **6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up carefully. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

#### **Advice on safe handling**

Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture.

#### **Hygiene measures**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.  
For precautions see section 2.2.

### **7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

#### **Storage conditions**

Protected from light. Tightly closed. Dry. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

Recommended storage temperature see product label.

#### **Storage class**

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1A: Combustible, acute toxic Cat. 1 and 2 / very toxic hazardous materials

### **7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Ingredients with workplace control parameters**

### **8.2 Exposure controls**

#### **Personal protective equipment**

##### **Eye/face protection**

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Safety glasses

##### **Skin protection**

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: [www.kcl.de](http://www.kcl.de)).

Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril® L

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Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril® L

##### **Body Protection**

protective clothing

##### **Respiratory protection**

required when dusts are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

Recommended Filter type: Filter type P3

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

##### **Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains.

## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

a) Physical state	solid
b) Color	red
c) Odor	No data available
d) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: 500 °C
e) Initial boiling point and boiling range	No data available
f) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
g) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
h) Flash point	Not applicable
i) Autoignition temperature	No data available
j) Decomposition temperature	No data available
k) pH	No data available
l) Viscosity	Viscosity, kinematic: No data available Viscosity, dynamic: No data available
m) Water solubility	No data available
n) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available
o) Vapor pressure	No data available
p) Density	11,1 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 20 °C
Relative density	No data available
q) Relative vapor density	No data available
r) Particle characteristics	No data available
s) Explosive properties	No data available
t) Oxidizing properties	No data available

### **9.2 Other safety information**

Bulk density	ca.3.000 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
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## **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

### **10.1 Reactivity**

No data available

### **10.2 Chemical stability**

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

### **10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

Risk of explosion with:

nitrates

Chlorine

boron compounds

hypophosphites

various alloys

Potassium

magnesium

sodium

phosphorus

Reducing agents

sulfur

iodine

with

Methanol

butadiene

with

ethanol

iodine

Hydrocarbons

with

Chlorine

hydrogen peroxide

with

Nitric acid

Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapours with:

Alcohols

nitrates

halogens

semimetallic halides

hydrazine and derivatives

Light metals

nonmetals

nonmetallic hydrogen compounds

hydrogen peroxide

Nitric acid

Reducing agents

Ozone

Violent reactions possible with:

Alkali metals

Ozone

Sulfur trioxide

mercaptans



#### **10.4 Conditions to avoid**

no information available

#### **10.5 Incompatible materials**

No data available

#### **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

In the event of fire: see section 5

### **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

#### **11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

##### **Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - Rat - 18 mg/kg

Remarks: (RTECS)

Oral: absorption

Acute toxicity estimate Oral - 18 mg/kg

(Calculation method)

Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 4 h - 0,051 mg/l - dust/mist

(Expert judgment)

Inhalation: absorption

Acute toxicity estimate Dermal - 5 mg/kg

(Expert judgment)

Dermal: (Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, Annex VI)

##### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

No data available

##### **Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

No data available

##### **Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Sensitisation possible in predisposed persons.

##### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

No data available

##### **Carcinogenicity**

No data available

##### **Reproductive toxicity**

Laboratory experiments have shown teratogenic effects.

Overexposure may cause reproductive disorder(s) based on tests with laboratory animals.

##### **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

##### **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

- Kidney

##### **Aspiration hazard**

No data available

## 11.2 Additional Information

### Endocrine disrupting properties

#### Product:

Assessment

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Liver injury may occur., Kidney injury may occur., Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhea, Tremors, Salivation

Mercury compounds have a cytotoxic and protoplasmatoxic effect. Intoxication symptoms: acute: contact with eye causes severe lesions. Swallowing and inhalation of dusts damages mucous membranes of gastrointestinal and respiratory tract (metallic taste, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, bloody diarrhoea, intestinal burns, glottal oedema, aspiration pneumonia); drop in blood pressure, cardiac dysrhythmia, circulatory collapse, and renal failure; chronic: inflammation of the mouth with loss of teeth and mercurial line. The principal signs manifest themselves in the CNS (impaired speech, vision, hearing, and sensitivity, loss of memory, irritability, hallucinations, delirium inter alia).

This substance should be handled with particular care.

## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish	mortality LC50 - Cyprinus carpio (Carp) - 0,16 mg/l - 96 h Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Mercury dichloride
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	NOEC - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 0,001 mg/l - 21 d Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Mercury dichloride

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

## 12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

### **Product:**

Assessment : The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

## 12.7 Other adverse effects

No data available

## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

No data available

## SECTION 14: Transport information

### 14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: 1641

IMDG: 1641

IATA: 1641

### 14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: MERCURY OXIDE

IMDG: MERCURY OXIDE

IATA: Mercury oxide

### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 6.1

IMDG: 6.1

IATA: 6.1

### 14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: II

IMDG: II

IATA: II

### 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: yes

IMDG Marine pollutant: yes

IATA: no

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

Tunnel restriction code : (D/E)

Further information : No data available

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

This material safety data sheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

**Authorisations and/or restrictions on use**

REACH - Restrictions on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of certain dangerous substances, mixtures and articles (Annex XVII) : Mercury(II) oxide

**National legislation**

Seveso III: Directive 2012/18/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on the control of major-accident hazards involving dangerous substances.	H1	ACUTE TOXIC
	E1	ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

**Other regulations**

Observe work restrictions regarding maternity protection in accordance to Dir 92/85/EEC or stricter national regulations where applicable.

Take note of Dir 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work.

**15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment**

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

**SECTION 16: Other information****Full text of H-Statements**

H300	Fatal if swallowed.
H310	Fatal in contact with skin.
H330	Fatal if inhaled.
H373	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.
H410	Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### Full text of other abbreviations

ADN - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways; ADR - Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road; AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RID - Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

### Further information

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Central Drug House (P) Ltd and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See [www.cdhfinechemical.com](http://www.cdhfinechemical.com) for additional terms and conditions of sale.