



# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

**Product Name:** Zn Stearate 8 Prill 50x50 Lb PolBag  
**Chemical Family:** Stearate  
**Chemical Name:** Zinc Stearate  
**Synonyms:** Octadecanoic acid, zinc salt.  
**Formula:** C36H70O4Zn  
**CAS-No.:** 557-05-1  
**Product code:** 1036077

Date of Preparation: 04/23/2007

## 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

### Emergency Overview

Caution  
May cause irritation of respiratory tract. May cause eye/skin irritation. Concentrated airborne dust may present an explosion hazard.  
**NFPA 704**

**Colour:** White  
**Physical state:** Powder  
**Odour:** Mild

**Health:** 1  
**Fire:** 1  
**Instability:** 0

### Potential Health Effects

**Principle routes of exposure:** Eye contact. Skin contact. Inhalation.

**Eye contact:** Contact with eyes may cause irritation.

**Skin contact:** Prolonged skin contact may cause skin irritation.

**Inhalation:** Over-exposure by inhalation may cause respiratory irritation.

**Ingestion:** May irritate digestive tract.

**Chronic toxicity:** No known effects under normal conditions of use.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Components	CAS Number	Weight %
Zinc Stearate	557-05-1	100%

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Eye contact:** Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids. If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**Skin contact:** Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.

**Inhalation:** Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**Ingestion:** Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water. Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. Consult a physician.

**Notes to physician:** Treat symptomatically.

## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flash point (°C):** > 260 °C ( 518°F) Method: COC

**Suitable extinguishing media:** Use dry chemical, CO2, water spray or "alcohol" foam.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Carbon oxides. Heavy metal compounds. Metal fumes.

**Special protective equipment for firefighters:** As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

**Unusual hazards:** Concentrated dust may present an explosion hazard.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal precautions:** Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Remove all sources of ignition. Do not breathe vapors/dust.

**Environmental precautions:** Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

**Methods for cleaning up:** Pick up and transfer to properly labelled containers. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling:** Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe vapours/dust. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Wear personal protective equipment. Consult NFPA 654 for further information regarding the prevention of dust explosion hazards.

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

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Exposure limits

Components	OSHA	ACGIH
Zinc Stearate	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (total dust); 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (respirable fraction)	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA

**Engineering measures:** Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust or fume is formed.

**Eye protection:** Safety glasses with side-shields. Avoid contact with eyes.

**Skin and body protection:** Lightweight protective clothing.

**Hand protection:** Impervious gloves.

**Respiratory protection:** In case of insufficient ventilation wear suitable respiratory equipment.

**Hygiene measures:** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Colour:</b>	White	<b>Physical state:</b>	Powder
<b>Odour:</b>	Mild	<b>Molecular weight:</b>	632.33
<b>Boiling point/range (°C):</b>	No data available	<b>pH:</b>	No data available
<b>Melting point/range (°C):</b>	120 - 132	<b>Specific gravity (Water =1):</b>	> 1.000
<b>Vapor pressure (mmHg):</b>	No data available	<b>Evaporation rate (Water =1):</b>	No data available
<b>Water solubility (mg/l):</b>	Negligible	<b>VOC content (%)</b>	No data available

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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**Stability:** Stable at normal conditions

**Polymerization:** None under normal processing

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Carbon oxides, Metal fumes.

**Materials to avoid:** Strong oxidizing agents.

**Conditions to avoid:** Avoid dust formation.

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Acute toxicity:** ..

**LD50/oral/rat = > 5000 mg/kg**

**LD50/dermal/rat = > 2000 mg/kg**

**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Aquatic toxicity:** Not determined

**Persistence and degradability:** Not determined

**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Waste from residues / unused products:** Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations. Where possible recycling is preferred to disposal or incineration.

**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**DOT (U.S.)**

**Proper shipping name:** Not regulated.

**TDG (Canada)**

**Proper shipping name:** Not regulated.

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**U.S. Regulations:**

Not subject to TSCA 12(b) Export Notification

Components	SARA 313:
Zinc Stearate (100%)	1.0 percent de minimis concentration (Chemical Category N982)

**State Regulations**

This product or its ingredients have been evaluated for New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and California Prop 65 supplier notification requirements. Substances that are subject to notification requirements, if any, are listed below.

**Components**

**State Regulations - NJ; PA; CA Prop65**

Zinc Stearate	Listed (PARTK)
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**Canadian WHMIS**

WHMIS hazard class: Non-controlled.

Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List (IDL): Not Listed.

**International Inventories**

TSCA 8(b): Listed or exempt.  
Canadian DSL: Listed or exempt.  
EINECS: Listed or exempt.  
Phillipines (PICCS): Listed.  
Japan (ENCS): Listed or exempt.  
Korea (KECL): Listed.  
China (IECS): Listed.  
Australia (AICS): Listed.

**6. OTHER INFORMATION**

**For Industrial Use Only**

**HMIS**

Health: 1  
Fire: 1  
Physical hazard: 0  
PPE: E

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**End of Safety Data Sheet**

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