

# FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC.

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## Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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### Section 1 — Chemical Product and Company Identification

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#### Palmitic Acid

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### Section 2 — Composition, Information on Ingredients

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Palmitic Acid

Synonym: Cetylic Acid, Hexadecanoic Acid

CAS#: 57-10-3

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### Section 3 — Hazards Identification

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White waxy flakes with fatty odor.

Irritating to body tissues. Avoid body tissue contact.

#### FLINN AT-A-GLANCE

Health-0

Flammability-0

Reactivity-0

Exposure-1

Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

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### Section 4 — First Aid Measures

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Call a physician, seek medical attention for further treatment, observation and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye: Immediately flush with fresh water for 15 minutes.

External: Wash continuously with fresh water for 15 minutes.

Internal: Give large quantities of water. Call a physician or poison control at once.

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### Section 5 — Fire Fighting Measures

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Combustible solid.

**Fire Fighting Instructions:** Use triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.

#### NFPA CODE

None established

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### Section 6 — Accidental Release Measures

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Restrict unprotected personnel from area. Sweep up, place in sealed bag or container and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

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### Section 7 — Handling and Storage

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Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #1. Store with acids, anhydrides and peracids.

Store in a cool dry place.

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### Section 8 — Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

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Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves and chemical-resistant apron.

### Section 9 — Physical and Chemical Properties

White waxy flakes with fatty odor.

Solubility: Soluble in hot alcohol and ether.

Insoluble in water.

Formula: CH<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>14</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H

Formula Weight: 256.48

Specific Gravity: 0.8414

Melting Point: 62.9 C

### Section 10 — Stability and Reactivity

Avoid contact with bases, oxidizers, reducers.

Shelf Life: Indefinite.

### Section 11 — Toxicological Information

Acute effects: Irritant

Chronic effects: N.A.

Target organs: N.A.

ORL-RAT LD50: N.A.

IHL-RAT LC50: N.A.

SKN-RBT LD50: N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

### Section 12 — Ecological Information

Data not yet available.

### Section 13 — Disposal Considerations

Please consult with state and local regulations.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #24a is one option.

### Section 14 — Transport Information

Shipping Name: Not regulated

Hazard Class: N/A

UN Number: N/A

N/A = Not applicable

### Section 15 — Regulatory Information

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (200-312-9).

### Section 16 — Other Information

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