

# Reactive Blue 4

sc-215794



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## Material Safety Data Sheet

Hazard Alert Code Key:

EXTREME

HIGH

MODERATE

LOW

## Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### PRODUCT NAME

Reactive Blue 4

### STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

CONSIDERED A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCORDING TO OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.

### NFPA



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### SYNONYMS

C23-H14-Cl2-N6-O8-S2, "C.I. 61205", "anionic chlorotriazinyl dye", "1-amino-4-(3-((4, 6, -dichloro-s-triazin-2-yl)amino)-4-sulfoanilo)-", "9, 10-dihydro-9, 10-dioxo-2-anthracene sulfonic acid", "Procion Blue MX-R ICI", "Procion Brilliant Blue MX-R, RS"

## Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS

|               | Min | Max |
|---------------|-----|-----|
| Flammability: | 1   |     |
| Toxicity:     | 0   |     |
| Body Contact: | 2   |     |
| Reactivity:   | 1   |     |
| Chronic:      | 2   |     |

Min/Nil=0  
Low=1  
Moderate=2  
High=3  
Extreme=4



### CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS



## EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

### RISK

Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

#### ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

#### SWALLOWED

- The material has NOT been classified as "harmful by ingestion". This is because of the lack of corroborating animal or human evidence.

#### EYE

- This material may produce eye irritation in some persons and produce eye damage 24 hours or more after instillation. Moderate inflammation may be expected with redness; conjunctivitis may occur with prolonged exposure.

#### SKIN

- This material can cause inflammation of the skin on contact in some persons.
- The material may accentuate any pre-existing dermatitis condition.
- Skin contact is not thought to have harmful health effects, however the material may still produce health damage following entry through wounds, lesions or abrasions.
- Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material.
- Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

#### INHALED

- The material can cause respiratory irritation in some persons. The body's response to such irritation can cause further lung damage.
- Persons with impaired respiratory function, airway diseases and conditions such as emphysema or chronic bronchitis, may incur further disability if excessive concentrations of particulate are inhaled.

#### CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

- Long-term exposure to respiratory irritants may result in disease of the airways involving difficult breathing and related systemic problems. Limited evidence suggests that repeated or long-term occupational exposure may produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical systems.

There is some evidence that inhaling this product is more likely to cause a sensitization reaction in some persons compared to the general population.

There is limited evidence that, skin contact with this product is more likely to cause a sensitization reaction in some persons compared to the general population.

Occupational exposure to reactive dyes may result in irritation of the respiratory tract, when inhaled in the dust form.

Long term exposure to high dust concentrations may cause changes in lung function i.e. pneumoconiosis; caused by particles less than 0.5 micron penetrating and remaining in the lung.

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Respiratory sensitization may result in allergic/asthma like responses; from coughing and minor breathing difficulties to bronchitis with wheezing, gasping.

Sensitization may give severe responses to very low levels of exposure, i.e. hypersensitivity.

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Prolonged and repeated exposures through skin contact may lead to skin sensitivities.

## Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| NAME                               | CAS RN     | %         |
|------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Anionic dichlorotriazinyl dyes, as |            |           |
| C.I. Reactive Blue 4               | 13324-20-4 | >90       |
| diluents                           |            | Not spec. |
| stabilizers                        |            | Not spec. |

## Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

#### SWALLOWED

· Immediately give a glass of water. · First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Center or a doctor.

#### EYE

- If this product comes in contact with the eyes: · Wash out immediately with fresh running water. · Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.

## SKIN

- If skin contact occurs: · Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear · Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).

## INHALED

- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area. · Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.

## NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

- Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

|                             |                |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Vapour Pressure (mmHG):     | Negligible     |
| Upper Explosive Limit (%):  | Not Available  |
| Specific Gravity (water=1): | Not available. |
| Lower Explosive Limit (%):  | Not Available  |

## EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

- Water spray or fog.
- Foam.

## FIRE FIGHTING

- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.

## GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS

- Combustible solid which burns but propagates flame with difficulty.
  - Avoid generating dust, particularly clouds of dust in a confined or unventilated space as dusts may form an explosive mixture with air, and any source of ignition, i.e. flame or spark, will cause fire or explosion. Dust clouds generated by the fine grinding of the solid are a particular hazard; accumulations of fine dust may burn rapidly and fiercely if ignited.
- Combustion products include: carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), hydrogen chloride, phosgene, nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), sulfur oxides (SO<sub>x</sub>), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.
- May emit poisonous fumes.
- May emit corrosive fumes.

## FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

- Avoid contamination with oxidizing agents i.e. nitrates, oxidizing acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

## PERSONAL PROTECTION

- Glasses:  
Safety Glasses.  
Chemical goggles.
- Gloves:
- Respirator:  
Particulate

## Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### MINOR SPILLS

- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing dust and contact with skin and eyes.

### MAJOR SPILLS

- Moderate hazard.
- CAUTION: Advise personnel in area.
- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.

## Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

### PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
  - Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Empty containers may contain residual dust which has the potential to accumulate following settling. Such dusts may explode in the presence of an appropriate ignition source.
- Do NOT cut, drill, grind or weld such containers.
  - In addition ensure such activity is not performed near full, partially empty or empty containers without appropriate workplace safety authorisation or permit.

### RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS

- Polyethylene or polypropylene container.
- Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

### STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.

## Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### EXPOSURE CONTROLS

| Source                                                                           | Material                                                                                  | TWA mg/m <sup>3</sup> | Notes                               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| US - Oregon Permissible Exposure Limits (Z-3)                                    | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Inert or Nuisance Dust: Total dust)                                 | 10                    | (d)                                 |
| US OSHA Permissible Exposure Levels (PELs) - Table Z3                            | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Inert or Nuisance Dust: (d) Respirable fraction)                    | 5                     |                                     |
| US OSHA Permissible Exposure Levels (PELs) - Table Z3                            | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Inert or Nuisance Dust: (d) Total dust)                             | 15                    |                                     |
| US - Hawaii Air Contaminant Limits                                               | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Particulates not otherwise regulated - Total dust)                  | 10                    |                                     |
| US - Hawaii Air Contaminant Limits                                               | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Particulates not otherwise regulated - Respirable fraction)         | 5                     |                                     |
| US - Oregon Permissible Exposure Limits (Z-3)                                    | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Inert or Nuisance Dust: Respirable fraction)                        | 5                     | (d)                                 |
| US ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)                                            | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Particles (Insoluble or Poorly Soluble) [NOS] Inhalable particles)  | 10                    | See Appendix B current TLV/BEI Book |
| US - California Permissible Exposure Limits for Chemical Contaminants            | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Particulates not otherwise regulated Respirable fraction)           | 5                     | (n)                                 |
| US - Tennessee Occupational Exposure Limits - Limits For Air Contaminants        | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Particulates not otherwise regulated Respirable fraction)           | 5                     |                                     |
| US - Michigan Exposure Limits for Air Contaminants                               | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Particulates not otherwise regulated, Respirable dust)              | 5                     |                                     |
| Canada - Prince Edward Island Occupational Exposure Limits                       | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Particles (Insoluble or Poorly Soluble) [NOS] Inhalable particles)  | 10                    | See Appendix B current TLV/BEI Book |
| US - Wyoming Toxic and Hazardous Substances Table Z1 Limits for Air Contaminants | C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (Particulates not otherwise regulated (PNOR)(f)-Respirable fraction) | 5                     |                                     |

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### PERSONAL PROTECTION



#### RESPIRATOR

Particulate

Consult your EHS staff for recommendations

#### EYE

- Safety glasses with side shields.
- Chemical goggles.

#### HANDS/FEET

■ NOTE: The material may produce skin sensitization in predisposed individuals. Care must be taken, when removing gloves and other protective equipment, to avoid all possible skin contact.

Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include: such as:

- frequency and duration of contact,
- chemical resistance of glove material,
- glove thickness and
- dexterity

Select gloves tested to a relevant standard (e.g. Europe EN 374, US F739).

- When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 5 or higher (breakthrough time greater than

240 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.

· When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 3 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 60 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.

· Contaminated gloves should be replaced.

Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.

Experience indicates that the following polymers are suitable as glove materials for protection against undissolved, dry solids, where abrasive particles are not present.

- polychloroprene
- nitrile rubber
- butyl rubber
- fluorocautchouc
- polyvinyl chloride

Gloves should be examined for wear and/ or degradation constantly.

#### OTHER

- Overalls.
- P.V.C. apron.
- Barrier cream.
- Skin cleansing cream.
- Eye wash unit.

#### ENGINEERING CONTROLS

· Local exhaust ventilation is required where solids are handled as powders or crystals; even when particulates are relatively large, a certain proportion will be powdered by mutual friction.

· Exhaust ventilation should be designed to prevent accumulation and recirculation of particulates in the workplace.

## Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Solid.

Mixes with water.

|                           |                |                                |                 |
|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| State                     | Divided solid  | Molecular Weight               | 637.45 (F.Wt.)  |
| Melting Range (°F)        | Not available. | Viscosity                      | Not Applicable  |
| Boiling Range (°F)        | Not available. | Solubility in water (g/L)      | Miscible        |
| Flash Point (°F)          | Not Available  | pH (1% solution)               | 5.5 to 7.0      |
| Decomposition Temp (°F)   | Not available. | pH (as supplied)               | Not applicable  |
| Autoignition Temp (°F)    | Not Available  | Vapour Pressure (mmHG)         | Negligible      |
| Upper Explosive Limit (%) | Not Available  | Specific Gravity (water=1)     | Not available.  |
| Lower Explosive Limit (%) | Not Available  | Relative Vapor Density (air=1) | Not applicable. |
| Volatile Component (%vol) | Negligible     | Evaporation Rate               | Not applicable  |

### APPEARANCE

Blue, odourless powder; partly soluble in water.(45 g/L solubility in water @ 20 deg C).

## Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY

### CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- Presence of incompatible materials.
- Product is considered stable.

### STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

- Avoid reaction with oxidizing agents, bases and strong reducing agents.

For incompatible materials - refer to Section 7 - Handling and Storage.

## Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

C.I. REACTIVE BLUE 4

### TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

- unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.

| TOXICITY                    | IRRITATION                      |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Oral (rat) LD50: 8980 mg/kg | Eyes (rabbit): 100mg/24h Draize |

- Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ceases. This may be due to a non-allergenic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur following exposure to high levels of highly irritating

compound. Key criteria for the diagnosis of RADS include the absence of preceding respiratory disease, in a non-atopic individual, with abrupt onset of persistent asthma-like symptoms within minutes to hours of a documented exposure to the irritant. A reversible airflow pattern, on spirometry, with the presence of moderate to severe bronchial hyperreactivity on methacholine challenge testing and the lack of minimal lymphocytic inflammation, without eosinophilia, have also been included in the criteria for diagnosis of RADS. RADS (or asthma) following an irritating inhalation is an infrequent disorder with rates related to the concentration of and duration of exposure to the irritating substance. Industrial bronchitis, on the other hand, is a disorder that occurs as result of exposure due to high concentrations of irritating substance (often particulate in nature) and is completely reversible after exposure ceases. The disorder is characterised by dyspnea, cough and mucus production.

The material may produce moderate eye irritation leading to inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may produce conjunctivitis.  
moderate

## Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No data

### Ecotoxicity

| Ingredient           | Persistence: Water/Soil | Persistence: Air | Bioaccumulation | Mobility |
|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|
| C.I. Reactive Blue 4 | HIGH                    |                  | LOW             | LOW      |

## Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Disposal Instructions

All waste must be handled in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

! Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/ or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked.

A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate:

- Reduction
- Reuse
- Recycling
- Disposal (if all else fails)

This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate.

DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning equipment to enter drains. Collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.

- Recycle wherever possible.
- Consult manufacturer for recycling options or consult Waste Management Authority for disposal if no suitable treatment or disposal facility can be identified.

## Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS: DOT, IATA, IMDG

## Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION



### REGULATIONS

**C.I. Reactive Blue 4 (CAS: 13324-20-4) is found on the following regulatory lists;**

"Canada Domestic Substances List (DSL)", "US Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) - Inventory"

## Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

### LIMITED EVIDENCE

- Cumulative effects may result following exposure\*.
- Possible respiratory and skin sensitiser\*.

\* (limited evidence).

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A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at:  
[www.chemwatch.net/references](http://www.chemwatch.net/references).

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