

# Nonafluorobutane-1-sulfonic acid

sc-236187



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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

Nonafluorobutane-1-sulfonic acid

### STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

CONSIDERED A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCORDING TO OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.

### NFPA



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### SYNONYMS

C4F9O3HS, "perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)", "nonafluorobutane-1-sulfonic acid", "1-butanesulfonic acid, nonafluoro-", "nonafluorobutanesulfonic acid", "pentyl perfluorononabutanoate sulfonate", "1-perfluorobutanesulfonic acid", "1-butanesulfonic acid, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 4-nonafluoro-", "C4 sulfonate"

## Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS

	Min	Max
Flammability:	1	
Toxicity:	2	
Body Contact:	3	
Reactivity:	2	
Chronic:	2	

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



### CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS



## EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

### RISK

Reacts violently with water.

Harmful if swallowed.

Causes burns.

Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Toxic to bees.

Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

## POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

### ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

#### SWALLOWED

■ Accidental ingestion of the material may be harmful; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 150 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual.

■ The material can produce chemical burns within the oral cavity and gastrointestinal tract following ingestion.

■ Ingestion of acidic corrosives may produce burns around and in the mouth.  
the throat and esophagus.

#### EYE

■ The material can produce chemical burns to the eye following direct contact.

Vapors or mists may be extremely irritating.

■ If applied to the eyes, this material causes severe eye damage.

■ Direct eye contact with acid corrosives may produce pain, tears, sensitivity to light and burns.

Mild burns of the epithelia generally recover rapidly and completely.

#### SKIN

■ The material can produce chemical burns following direct contact with the skin.

■ Skin contact with acidic corrosives may result in pain and burns; these may be deep with distinct edges and may heal slowly with the formation of scar tissue.

■ Skin contact is not thought to produce harmful health effects (as classified using animal models).

Systemic harm, however, has been identified following exposure of animals by at least one other route and 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.

■ Corrosive acids can cause irritation of the respiratory tract, with coughing, choking and mucous membrane damage.

There may be dizziness, headache, nausea and weakness.

## CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

■ Repeated or prolonged exposure to acids may result in the erosion of teeth, swelling and or ulceration of mouth lining. Irritation of airways to lung, with cough, and inflammation of lung tissue often occurs.

Long-term exposure to respiratory irritants may result in disease of the airways involving difficult breathing and related systemic problems.

There has been some concern that this material can cause cancer or mutations but there is not enough data to make an assessment.

Limited evidence suggests that repeated or long-term occupational exposure may produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical systems.

Perfluoroalkylsulfonate fluoride-based products have included surfactants, paper and packaging treatments, surface protectants (e.g., for carpet, upholstery, textile) and are found in specialised fire-fighting foams (AFFF for example). Depending on the specific functional derivatisation or degree of polymerisation, such products may degrade or metabolize, to an undetermined degree, to perfluoroalkylsulfonates (such as perfluorooctanesulfonate - PFOS), which are stable and persistent end products that have the potential to bioaccumulate. Salts of PFOS are known to cause significant toxic effects, including mortality, in *Cynomolgus* monkeys (oral doses of 0.75 mg/ kg/ day), 12 rabbits (oral doses of 3.75 mg kg/ day), rats (oral doses of 1.6 mg/ kg/day) and zooplankton (10 mg/l)

PFOS is persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic to mammalian species. There are species differences in the elimination half-life of PFOS; the half-life is 100 days in rats, 200 days in monkeys, and years in humans. The toxicity profile of PFOS is similar among rats and monkeys. Repeated exposure results in hepatotoxicity and mortality; the dose-response curve is very steep for mortality. This occurs in animals of all ages, although the neonate may be more sensitive. In addition, a 2-year bioassay in rats has shown that exposure to PFOS results in hepatocellular adenomas and thyroid follicular cell adenomas; the hepatocellular adenomas do not appear to be related to peroxisome proliferation.

In one study which followed exposed workers for 37 years there was a statistically significant risk of death from bladder cancer. Neoplasms of the male reproductive system, of the gastrointestinal tract also appeared to be elevated. Risk ratios were highest in

workers with highest and longest exposure to fluorochemicals. PFOS has not been shown to be genotoxic in a variety of assay systems. Lower molecular weight homologues such as perfluorobutanesulfonate (PFBS) do not exhibit the levels of toxicity or bioaccumulation of the higher homologues. Studies show PFBS is highly bound to human albumin with indications of a saturated binding to albumin in serum and negligible binding to the other liver-manufactured proteins gamma globulin, alpha globulin, fibrinogen, alpha-2-macroglobulin, transferrin and beta lipoproteins

The results of two in vitro studies and a chromosomal aberration test show no evidence of mutagenicity due to potassium PFBS. Animal data to date does not indicate potassium PFBS is a developmental toxin nor a substance toxic to reproduction, fertility or lactation. In humans PFBS has a much shorter half-life than PFOS (just over one month vs 5.5 years).

### Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME	CAS RN	%
perfluorobutanesulfonic acid	375-73-5	>98

### Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

#### SWALLOWED

· For advice, contact a Poisons Information Center or a doctor at once. · Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed.

#### EYE

■ If this product comes in contact with the eyes: · Immediately hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with 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 or hair contact occurs: · Immediately flush body and clothes with large amounts of water, using safety shower if available. · Quickly remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.

#### INHALED

· If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area. · Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested. Inhalation of vapors or aerosols (mists, fumes) may cause lung edema. Corrosive substances may cause lung damage (e.g.

#### NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

■ For acute or short term repeated exposures to strong acids:  
· Airway problems may arise from laryngeal edema and inhalation exposure. Treat with 100% oxygen initially.  
· Respiratory distress may require cricothyroidotomy if endotracheal intubation is contraindicated by excessive swelling.

### Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Vapour Pressure (mmHG):	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%):	Not Available
Specific Gravity (water=1):	Not Available
Lower Explosive Limit (%):	Not Available

#### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

· Foam.  
· Dry chemical powder.

#### FIRE FIGHTING

· Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.  
· Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.  
When any large container (including road and rail tankers) is involved in a fire, consider evacuation by 800 metres in all directions.

#### GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS

· Combustible.  
· Slight fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.  
Combustion products include: carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), hydrogen fluoride, sulfur oxides (SO<sub>x</sub>), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.

#### FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

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

#### PERSONAL PROTECTION

Glasses:  
Full face- shield.  
Gloves:  
Respirator:

Type AB-P Filter of sufficient capacity

## Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### MINOR SPILLS

■ Environmental hazard - contain spillage.

- Drains for storage or use areas should have retention basins for pH adjustments and dilution of spills before discharge or disposal of material.
- Check regularly for spills and leaks.
- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing vapors and contact with skin and eyes.

### MAJOR SPILLS

■ Environmental hazard - contain spillage.

- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.

## Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

### PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- DO NOT allow clothing wet with material to stay in contact with skin.
- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.

### RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS

■ DO NOT use aluminum or galvanized containers.

Check regularly for spills and leaks.

- Lined metal can, Lined metal pail/drum
- Plastic pail.

For low viscosity materials

- Drums and jerricans must be of the non-removable head type.
- Where a can is to be used as an inner package, the can must have a screwed enclosure.

### STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

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

## Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### EXPOSURE CONTROLS

The following materials had no OELs on our records

- perfluorobutanesulfonic acid: CAS:375-73-5

### PERSONAL PROTECTION



OR

### RESPIRATOR

•Type AB-P Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

### EYE

- Chemical goggles.
- Full face shield.

### HANDS/FEET

■ Elbow length PVC gloves.

· When handling corrosive liquids, wear trousers or overalls outside of boots, to avoid spills entering boots.

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, AS/NZS 2161.1 or national equivalent).

- 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, AS/NZS 2161.10.1 or national equivalent) 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, AS/NZS 2161.10.1 or national equivalent) 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.

#### OTHER

- Overalls.
- PVC Apron.

#### ENGINEERING CONTROLS

- Local exhaust ventilation usually required. If risk of overexposure exists, wear an approved respirator.

## Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Corrosive.

Acid.

Reacts violently with water.

State	LIQUID	Molecular Weight	300.1
Melting Range (°F)	Not Available	Viscosity	Not Available
Boiling Range (°F)	234- 237 (14 mm Hg)	Solubility in water (g/L)	Reacts violently
Flash Point (°F)	Not Available	pH (1% solution)	Not Available
Decomposition Temp (°F)	Not Available	pH (as supplied)	Not Available
Autoignition Temp (°F)	Not Available	Vapour Pressure (mmHG)	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Specific Gravity (water=1)	Not Available
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Relative Vapor Density (air=1)	Not Available
Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Available	Evaporation Rate	Not Available

### APPEARANCE

Liquid; reacts violently with water.

PFOS has a solubility of approximately 550 mg/l in pure water - the solubility decreases with increased salt content. For example the potassium salt of PFOS has a solubility of 370 mg/l in pure water. Due to surface active properties of PFOS, the log Kow cannot be measured. The potassium salt of PFOS has a low vapour pressure,  $3.31 \times 10^{-4}$  Pa at 20 C.

Material	Value
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## Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY

### CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- Contact with alkaline material liberates heat.
- Presence of incompatible materials.
- Product is considered stable.

### STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

- Reacts with mild steel, galvanized steel / zinc producing hydrogen gas which may form an explosive mixture with air. Segregate from alcohol, water.
- Segregate from alkalis, oxidizing agents and chemicals readily decomposed by acids, i.e. cyanides, sulfides, carbonates.
- Avoid strong bases.
- NOTE: May develop pressure in containers; open carefully. Vent periodically.

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

## Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

perfluorobutanesulfonic acid

### TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

PERFLUOROBUTANESULFONIC ACID:

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

**TOXICITY****IRRITATION**

Oral (Rat) LD50: 430 mg/kg

■ 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.

**for perfluorinated sulfonates:**

Toxicology studies of the C4 fluoroalkyl sulfonate (PFBS), the C8 fluoroalkyl sulfonate (PFOS) and the C8 fluorocarboxylic acid (PFOA) indicate that chain length is an important factor in toxicity, perhaps partially due to pharmacokinetic factors; toxicity and persistence appears to increase with increasing chain length. Human biomonitoring studies have shown that the C6 perfluorosulfonate, PFOS and PFOA are present in the serum of the general US population, and that the levels of the C6 perfluorosulfonate are quite high in children. Other chain lengths have not yet been monitored in the general population. Environmental monitoring studies have demonstrated the presence of the entire series of perfluorinated compounds, as well as some higher homologs. Current hazard and risk assessments have addressed individual chemicals. If there is a common mode of action for these chemicals the latter efforts are likely to underestimate potential hazard and risk to exposed populations.

**Extensive pharmacokinetic information is available for PFOS (perfluorooctanesulfonate) and PFOA (perfluorooctanoic acid) and more limited information is available for PFBS (perfluorobutanesulfonate) The existing information for PFOS and PFOA suggest the following issues may be critical determinants of pharmacokinetics and blood dosimetry for other members of the class:**

- These compounds are well absorbed.
- The carboxylic acids and sulfonates are cleared by urinary and biliary elimination in rodents with no evidence of metabolism, while the telomer alcohols are metabolised apparently to carboxylic acid derivatives. Extensive enterohepatic recirculation has been demonstrated for both PFOA and PFOS.
- Species and sex differences in clearance are most dramatic for PFOA (female rat (hrs)>>male rat (days)>mouse>monkey (weeks)>human (years)). PFOS demonstrates higher blood levels in female rats than males following repeated exposures and the clearance during week 105 was faster than older intravenous and oral studies would predict. PFBS is rapidly eliminated in several hours in rats. The mechanism(s) for species and sex variation in clearance is ill-defined but may in part be related to differential expression of renal transport proteins.
- Serum protein binding (generally albumin) is extensive resulting in high concentrations in serum. Liver has very high concentrations as well, followed by kidney. Other tissues have generally low concentrations (and the fluorination make this a non-lipophilic compound), but account for a significant fraction of the mass in the body.

There is extensive toxicology information available on PFBS, PFOS and PFOA. Studies of PFOS and PFOA have shown that the developing organism is a primary target. A two generation reproductive toxicity study of PFOS in rats, and several subsequent studies in rats and mice, have shown a very high incidence of mortality in the F1 offspring in the first few days following birth. A two-generation reproductive toxicity study of PFOA in rats has demonstrated mortality in the F1 offspring in the first few days following weaning, as well as a delay in sexual maturation. Preliminary studies of PFOA in mice have shown a mortality pattern very similar to that observed following exposure to PFOS in that mortality occurs in the first few days after birth.

In contrast, these effects were not noted in a two-generation reproductive toxicity study of PFBS in rats or a limited one-generation toxicity study of C6 perfluorosulfonate in rats. To date, there is no information on developmental effects following exposure to chain lengths greater than C8.

In addition, several of the compounds in the perfluorinated series are peroxisome proliferators, and PFOS and PFOA have been shown to be carcinogenic in rats. Chronic studies of PFOA in rats have shown the presence of hepatocellular, Leydig cell and pancreatic acinar cell tumors. PFOA is a demonstrated PPAR-alpha (peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor) agonist and this has been hypothesised to be the mode of action for the hepatocellular adenomas. Chronic exposure of PFOS in rats is also associated with hepatocellular adenomas. PFOS is also a peroxisome proliferator, but studies have not been conducted to firmly establish the role of PPAR-alpha agonism in the induction of the liver adenomas. Chronic exposure studies of PFBS have not yet been conducted. Although preliminary studies indicate that PFBS is a weak peroxisome proliferator at comparatively high doses, only very limited liver toxicity has been noted in a two-generation reproductive toxicity study, and no liver toxicity was noted in 28-day and 90-day studies at comparable doses.

Limited studies of the C9 and C10 perfluorocarboxylic acids indicate that both compounds are peroxisome proliferators. Thus, it is likely that liver adenomas may be expected following chronic exposures to many of the compounds in the proposed series. However, several scientific groups have concluded that PPAR-a agonist induced liver tumors in adult rodents are of questionable relevance to humans. Others have questioned whether chronic exposure to peroxisome proliferators would result in a different outcome if exposures were initiated prenatally rather than in adulthood.

**Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Toxic to bees.

Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.

**Ecotoxicity**

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air	Bioaccumulation	Mobility
perfluorobutanesulfonic acid	HIGH	No Data Available	LOW	MED

## Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### US EPA Waste Number & Descriptions

A. General Product Information

Corrosivity characteristic: use EPA hazardous waste number D002 (waste code C)

### Disposal Instructions

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

! Puncture containers to prevent re-use and bury at an authorized landfill.

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. If it has been contaminated, it may be possible to reclaim the product by filtration, distillation or some other means. 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

DOT:

Symbols: None Hazard class or Division: 8

Identification Numbers: UN3265 PG: II

Label Codes: 8 Special provisions: B2, IB2,

T11, TP2,

TP27

Packaging: Exceptions: 154 Packaging: Non- bulk: 202

Packaging: Exceptions: 154 Quantity limitations: 1 L

Passenger aircraft/rail:

Quantity Limitations: Cargo 30 L Vessel stowage: Location: B aircraft only:

Vessel stowage: Other: 40

Hazardous materials descriptions and proper shipping names:

Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s.

### Air Transport IATA:

UN/ID Number: 3265 Packing Group: II

Special provisions: A3

Cargo Only

Packing Instructions: 855 Maximum Qty/Pack: 30 L

Passenger and Cargo Passenger and Cargo

Packing Instructions: Y840 Maximum Qty/Pack: 1 L

Passenger and Cargo Limited Quantity Passenger and Cargo Limited Quantity

Packing Instructions: 851 Maximum Qty/Pack: 0.5 L

Shipping Name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.

\*(CONTAINS PERFLUOROBUTANESULFONIC ACID)

### Maritime Transport IMDG:

IMDG Class: 8 IMDG Subrisk: None

UN Number: 3265 Packing Group: II

EMS Number: F-A,S-B Special provisions: 274

Limited Quantities: 1 L

Shipping Name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.(contains perfluorobutanesulfonic acid)

## Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

**perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (CAS: 375-73-5) is found on the following regulatory lists;**

"Canada Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)", "US Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) - Chemical Substance Inventory"

## Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

### LIMITED EVIDENCE

- Cumulative effects may result following exposure\*.
- Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect\*.

\* (limited evidence).

### Denmark Advisory list for selfclassification of dangerous substances

Substance CAS Suggested codes perfluorobutanesulfonic acid 375- 73- 5 Xn; R22

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- Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at:

[www.chemwatch.net/references](http://www.chemwatch.net/references).

- The (M)SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

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