# 1-Bromoheptadecafluorooctane



**SYNONYMS** 

C8-BrF17, CF3(CF)7Br, "octane, 1-bromoheptadecafluoro-", 1-bromoperfluorooctane, "octane, 1-bromo-1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 8, 8, 8, ", heptadecafluoro-, "perfluoroctyl bromide", "Long' s Compound"

# Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

# CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS

|               |   | Min | Max                 |
|---------------|---|-----|---------------------|
| Flammability: | 0 |     |                     |
| Toxicity:     | 0 |     |                     |
| Body Contact: | 2 |     | Min/Nil=0<br>Low=1  |
| Reactivity:   | 1 |     | Moderate=2          |
| Chronic:      | 3 |     | High=3<br>Extreme=4 |

# CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS



# **EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

RISK

Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin. Harmful to aquatic organisms.

# POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

## ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

## SWALLOWED

■ Although ingestion is not thought to produce harmful effects, the material may still be damaging to the health of the individual following ingestion, especially where pre-existing organ (e.g. liver, kidney) damage is evident.

## EYE

This material can cause eye irritation and damage in some persons.

#### SKIN

- This material can cause inflammation of the skin oncontact 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.
- Fluorocarbons remove natural oils from the skin, causing irritation, dryness and sensitivity.
- 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.

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

#### **CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS**

■ 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.

There is some evidence that human exposure to the material may result in developmental toxicity. This evidence is based on animal studies where effects have been observed in the absence of marked maternal toxicity, or at around the same dose levels as other toxic effects but which are not secondary non-specific consequences of the other toxic effects.

Chronic intoxication with ionic bromides, historically, has resulted from medical use of bromides but not from environmental or occupational exposure; depression, hallucinosis, and schizophreniform psychosis can be seen in the absence of other signs of intoxication. Bromides may also induce sedation, irritability, agitation, delirium, memory loss, confusion, disorientation, forgetfulness (aphasias), dysarthria, weakness, fatigue, vertigo, stupor, coma, decreased appetite, nausea and vomiting, diarrhoea, hallucinations, an acne like rash on the face, legs and trunk, known as bronchoderma (seen in 25-30% of case involving bromide ion), and a profuse discharge from the nostrils (coryza). Ataxia and generalised hyperreflexia have also been observed. Correlation of neurologic symptoms with blood levels of bromide is inexact. The use of substances such as brompheniramine, as antihistamines, largely reflect current day usage of bromides; ionic bromides have been largely withdrawn from therapeutic use due to their toxicity. Several cases of foetal abnormalities have been described in mothers who took large doses of bromides during pregnancy.

Fluorocarbons can cause an increased risk of cancer, spontaneous abortionand birth defects.

| Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS |          |     |
|--|----------|-----|
| NAME   | CAS RN   | %   |
| perfluorooctvl bromide                               | 423-55-2 | >98 |

# Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

#### SWALLOWED

· If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting. · If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration. · Avoid giving milk or oils. · Avoid giving alcohol.

#### 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.

for intoxication due to Freons/ Halons;

A: Emergency and Supportive Measures

· Maintain an open airway and assist ventilation if necessary

• Treat coma and arrhythmias if they occur. Avoid (adrenaline) epinephrine or other sympathomimetic amines that may precipitate ventricular arrhythmias. Tachyarrhythmias caused by increased myocardial sensitization may be treated with propranolol, 1-2 mg IV or esmolol 25-100 microgm/kg/min IV.

| Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES |               |  |  |
|------------------------------------|---------------|--|--|
| Vapour Pressure (mmHG):            | Not available |  |  |
| Upper Explosive Limit (%):         | Not available |  |  |
| Specific Gravity (water=1):        | 1.93          |  |  |
| Lower Explosive Limit (%):         | Not available |  |  |

## EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

· Foam.

· Dry chemical powder.

#### FIRE FIGHTING

· Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.

 $\cdot$  Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.

#### **GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS**

• Combustion products include: carbon dioxide (CO2), hydrogen bromide, hydrogen fluoride, other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.

- · Non combustible.
- · Not considered to be a significant fire risk.
- · Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.
- · May emit corrosive, poisonous 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: Chemical goggles. Gloves: Respirator: Type A Filter of sufficient capacity

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

## MINOR SPILLS

- · Remove all ignition sources.
- · Clean up all spills immediately.

MAJOR SPILLS

- Moderate hazard.
- · 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.
- $\cdot$  Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.

## **RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS**

- · Metal can or drum
- $\cdot$  Packing as recommended by manufacturer.

#### STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- · Store in original containers.
- · Keep containers securely sealed.
- · No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- · Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- $\cdot$  Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.
- · Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- $\cdot$  Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

# Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **EXPOSURE CONTROLS**

The following materials had no OELs on our records

#### • perfluorooctyl bromide: CAS:423-55-2

#### PERSONAL PROTECTION



#### RESPIRATOR

Type A Filter of sufficient capacity

Consult your EHS staff for recommendations

## EYE

· Safety glasses with side shields.

· Chemical goggles.

#### HANDS/FEET

■ Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.

- 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.

#### OTHER

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

#### **ENGINEERING CONTROLS**

General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. Local exhaust ventilation may be required in special circumstances.

# Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

#### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

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| Does not mix with water.<br>Sinks in water. |               |                                |                |
|---|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| State                                       | Liquid        | Molecular Weight               | 498.97         |
| Melting Range (°F)                          | Not available | Viscosity                      | Not Available  |
| Boiling Range (°F)                          | 287.6         | Solubility in water (g/L)      | Immiscible     |
| Flash Point (°F)                            | Not Available | pH (1% solution)               | Not applicable |
| Decomposition Temp (°F)                     | Not Available | pH (as supplied)               | Not applicable |
| Autoignition Temp (°F)                      | Not available | Vapour Pressure (mmHG)         | Not available  |
| Upper Explosive Limit (%)                   | Not available | Specific Gravity (water=1)     | 1.93           |
| Lower Explosive Limit (%)                   | Not available | Relative Vapor Density (air=1) | >1             |
| Volatile Component (%vol)                   | 100           | Evaporation Rate               | Not available  |

#### APPEARANCE

Colourless liquid; does not mix with water.

# **Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY**

#### CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

· Presence of incompatible materials.

· Product is considered stable.

#### STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

For perfluorinated alkyl halides:

Through their powerful inductive effects the fluorine atoms in perfluoroalkyl bromide and iodide induce the C-Br and C-I bond to be polarised in the opposite direction to that found in alkyl halides. Also steric effects and lone-pair repulsive forces associated with fluorine substitution shield the carbons from nucleophilic attack. Hence perfluoroalkyls are notoriously resistant to displacement of chlorine, bromine and iodine as halide ions. Owing to their reduction potential values they can act as electron transfer oxidants and become converted to radical or anionic intermediates. Perfluoroalkyl radicals can also be formed classically by homolytic cleavage of the C-I or (stronger) C-Br bond.

Direct attack of perfluoroalkyl halides on metals may also occur. Copper, zinc and cadmium have all been used to produce perfluoroalkylorganometallics.

Halogenophilic mechanisms occur in the reaction of strong nucleophiles with perfluoroalkyl halides

Perfluoroalkylation of thiols is facilitated by UV irradiation

Radical-initiated addition of perfluoroalkyl halides, across multiple C-C linkages in olefins or acetylenes (perfluoroalkene halides, perfluoroalkyne halides) is facilitated by UV light or radical sources (peroxides, azo initiators). Numerous metals and their derivatives have been shown to initiate such additions.

Segregate from:

· powdered metals such as aluminium, zinc and

 $\cdot$  alkali metals such as sodium, potassium and lithium.

May attack, soften or dissolve rubber, many plastics, paints and coatings.

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

# Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

PERFLUOROOCTYL BROMIDE

## TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

PERFLUOROOCTYL BROMIDE:

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

| IRRITATION |
|------------|
|            |

Intravenous (mouse) LD50: 14720 mg/kg Nil Reported

Unreported (mouse) LD50: 42500 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.

#### CARCINOGEN

| BROMINE COMPOUNDS (ORGANIC OR INORGANIC) | US Environmental Defense Scorecard<br>Suspected Carcinogens | Reference(s) | P65-MC |
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# Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Harmful to aquatic organisms.

#### Ecotoxicity

Ingredient P perfluorooctyl bromide H

Persistence: Water/Soil Persistence: Air HIGH Bioaccumulation LOW

Mobility 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
- · Recvcling
- · 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.

 $\cdot$  Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.

· Consult Waste Management Authority for disposal.

# **Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

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

## Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

perfluorooctyl bromide (CAS: 423-55-2) is found on the following regulatory lists;

"US - California Air Toxics ""Hot Spots"" List (Assembly Bill 2588) Substances for which emissions must be quantified"

## **Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

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