SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier **HYDROFLUORIC ACID, 48%, REAGENT (ACS)**

Other means of identification

Product code 931

Recommended use professional, scientific and technical activities: other professional, scientific and technical activities manufacture of other chemical products

Recommended restrictions None known.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Manufacturer

Company name	GFS Chemicals, Inc.	
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Website	www.gfschemicals.com	
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Emergency phone number	Emergency Assistance	Chemtrec 800-424-9300

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards	Not classified.	
Health hazards	Acute toxicity, oral	Category 2
	Acute toxicity, dermal	Category 1
	Acute toxicity, inhalation	Category 3
	Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 1
	Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1
	Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure	Category 1
Environmental hazards	Not classified.	
OSHA defined hazards	Not classified.	

Label elements

Signal word Danger

Hazard statement Fatal if swallowed. Fatal in contact with skin. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Causes serious eye damage. Toxic if inhaled. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Precautionary statement

Prevention Do not breathe mist or vapor. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Response IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Storage Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up.

Disposal	Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.
Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)	None known.
Supplemental information	None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Mixtures

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
WATER		7732-18-5	52
HYDROGEN FLUORIDE		7664-39-3	48

*Designates that a specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation	Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Oxygen or artificial respiration if needed. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim inhaled the substance. Induce artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
Skin contact	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Chemical burns must be treated by a physician. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. After washing, skin burns may be treated with calcium gluconate salve or soaked in 0.2% iced Hyamine 1662 or 0.13% iced aqueous Zephiran Chloride and get medical attention.
Eye contact	Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
Ingestion	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested the substance. Induce artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Drink milk of magnesia or Tums with water or milk.
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed	Burning pain and severe corrosive skin damage. Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Permanent eye damage including blindness could result. Prolonged exposure may cause chronic effects.
Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed	Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Chemical burns: Flush with water immediately. While flushing, remove clothes which do not adhere to affected area. Call an ambulance. Continue flushing during transport to hospital. Keep victim warm. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.
General information	Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible). Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Discard any shoes or clothing items that cannot be decontaminated.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Use extinguishing agent suitable for type of surrounding fire.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Hydrogen Fluoride.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Wear full protective clothing, including helmet, self-contained positive pressure or pressure demand breathing apparatus, protective clothing and face mask.
Fire fighting equipment/instructions	Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk.
Specific methods	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.
General fire hazards	No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted. Will volatilize in general fire conditions.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Do not breathe mist or vapor. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Stop leak if you can do so without risk. This product is miscible in water. Should not be released into the environment. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Clean up in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Large Spills: Dike the spilled material, where this is possible. Cover with plastic sheet to prevent spreading. Absorb in vermiculite, dry sand or earth and place into containers. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

Small Spills: Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Never return spills to original containers for re-use. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.

Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not contaminate water. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Do not breathe mist or vapor. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not taste or swallow. Avoid prolonged exposure. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store locked up. Store in original tightly closed container. Store in a well-ventilated place. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits

US. OSHA Table Z-2 (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Components	Type	Value
HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)	TWA	3 ppm

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values

Components	Type	Value
HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)	Ceiling	2 ppm
	TWA	0.5 ppm

US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

Components	Type	Value
HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)	Ceiling	5 mg/m3 6 ppm
	TWA	2.5 mg/m3 3 ppm

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Exposure guidelines

US ACGIH Threshold Limit Values: Skin designation

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3) Can be absorbed through the skin.

US. California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Section 5155. Airborne Contaminants

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE, AS F (CAS 7664-39-3) Can be absorbed through the skin.

Appropriate engineering controls

Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Eye wash facilities and emergency shower must be available when handling this product. An eye wash and safety shower must be available in the immediate work area.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) and a face shield.

Skin protection

Hand protection

Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves. Suitable gloves can be recommended by the glove supplier.

Other

Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing. Use of an impervious apron is recommended.

Respiratory protection	If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below recommended exposure limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not been established), an approved respirator must be worn.
Thermal hazards	Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.
General hygiene considerations	Keep away from food and drink. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Clear.
Physical state	Liquid.
Form	Liquid.
Color	Colorless.
Odor	Pungent.
Odor threshold	Not available.
pH	< 1
Melting point/freezing point	-29.2 °F (-34 °C)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	224.6 °F (107 °C)
Flash point	Not available.
Evaporation rate	Not available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not applicable.
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	
Flammability limit - lower (%)	Not available.
Flammability limit - upper (%)	Not available.
Explosive limit - lower (%)	Not available.
Explosive limit - upper (%)	Not available.
Vapor pressure	10 torr at 20 °C
Vapor density	Not available.
Relative density	Not available.
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	Miscible.
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	Not available.
Decomposition temperature	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.
Other information	
Density	1.16 g/cm3
Explosive properties	Not explosive.
Molecular formula	HF
Molecular weight	20.01 g/mol
Oxidizing properties	Not oxidizing.
Percent volatile	100 %
Specific gravity	1.16

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	Reacts violently with strong alkaline substances. This product may react with reducing agents.
Chemical stability	Stable at normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Conditions to avoid	Contact with incompatible materials. Do not mix with other chemicals.
Incompatible materials	Bases. Reducing agents.

Hazardous decomposition products Hydrogen fluoride.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation Toxic if inhaled. May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure by inhalation.

Skin contact Fatal in contact with skin. Causes severe skin burns.

Eye contact Causes serious eye damage.

Ingestion Fatal if swallowed. Causes digestive tract burns.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics Burning pain and severe corrosive skin damage. Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Permanent eye damage including blindness could result.

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity Fatal in contact with skin. Fatal if swallowed. Toxic if inhaled.

Product	Species	Test Results
HYDROFLUORIC ACID, 48%		
Acute		
Inhalation		
LC50	Guinea pig	9015 ppm, 15 Minutes estimated
		7.4 mg/l, 15 Minutes estimated
		7.375 mg/l
	Monkey	3708 mg/l
		3708 mg/l, 1 Hours estimated
		3708 ppm, 1 Hours estimated
	Mouse	1042 mg/l
		1042 ppm, 1 Hours estimated
		1042 mg/l, 1 Hours estimated
	Rat	10354 ppm, 5 Minutes estimated
		5602 ppm, 15 Minutes estimated
		4254 ppm, 30 Minutes estimated
		2663 mg/l, 1 Hours estimated
		2013 ppm, 1 Hours estimated
		1006 ppm, 4 Hours estimated

Components	Species	Test Results
HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)		
Acute		
Inhalation		
LC50	Guinea pig	4327 ppm, 15 Minutes
		3.54 mg/l, 15 Minutes
	Monkey	1780 ppm, 1 Hours
		1780 mg/l, 1 Hours
	Mouse	500 ppm, 1 Hours
		500 mg/l, 1 Hours
	Rat	4970 ppm, 5 Minutes
		2689 ppm, 15 Minutes
		2042 ppm, 30 Minutes
		1278 mg/l, 1 Hours
		966 ppm, 1 Hours
		483 ppm, 4 Hours

* Estimates for product may be based on additional component data not shown.

Skin corrosion/irritation	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Respiratory sensitization	Not a respiratory sensitizer.
Skin sensitization	This product is not expected to cause skin sensitization.
Germ cell mutagenicity	No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.
Carcinogenicity	This product is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or OSHA.

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Not listed.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (1)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (10)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (2)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (3)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (4)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (5)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (6)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (7)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (8)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (9)

Not regulated.

US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

Not listed.

Reproductive toxicity	This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure	Not classified.
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
Aspiration hazard	Not an aspiration hazard.
Chronic effects	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity	Because of the low pH of this product, it would be expected to produce significant ecotoxicity upon exposure to aquatic organisms and aquatic systems.
Persistence and degradability	None known.
Bioaccumulative potential	No data available.
Mobility in soil	No data available.
Other adverse effects	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions	Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Do not allow this material to drain into sewers/water supplies. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations. Neutralize with soda ash/slaked lime and discharge to sewer with lots of water.
Local disposal regulations	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.
Hazardous waste code	The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.

Waste from residues / unused products	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).
Contaminated packaging	Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN number	UN1790
UN proper shipping name	Hydrofluoric acid, with not more than 60 percent strength
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class	8
Subsidiary risk	6.1(PGI, II)
Label(s)	8, 6.1
Packing group	II
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.
Special provisions	A6, A7, B15, IB2, N5, N34, T8, TP2, TP12
Packaging exceptions	154
Packaging non bulk	202
Packaging bulk	243

IATA

UN number	UN1790
UN proper shipping name	Hydrofluoric acid 60% or less strength
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class	8
Subsidiary risk	6.1(PGI, II)
Packing group	II
Environmental hazards	No.
ERG Code	8P
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.
Other information	
Passenger and cargo aircraft	Allowed with restrictions.
Cargo aircraft only	Allowed with restrictions.

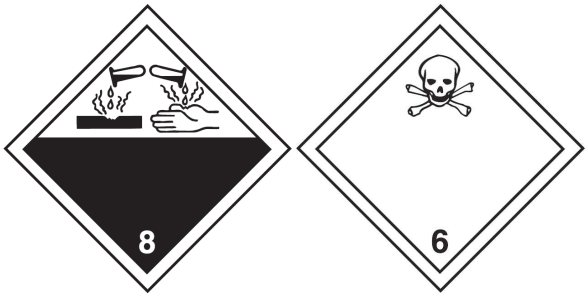
IMDG

UN number	UN1790
UN proper shipping name	HYDROFLUORIC ACID solution, with not more than 60% hydrogen flouride
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class	8
Subsidiary risk	6.1(PGI, II)
Packing group	II
Environmental hazards	
Marine pollutant	No.
EmS	F-A, S-B
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	Not established.

DOT

IATA; IMDG



15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3) Listed.

SARA 304 Emergency release notification

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3) 100 LBS

US OSHA Hazard Categories (1)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (2)

Not regulated.

US OSHA Hazard Categories (3)

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US OSHA Hazard Categories (10)

Not regulated.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

Hazard categories Immediate Hazard - Yes
Delayed Hazard - Yes
Fire Hazard - No
Pressure Hazard - No
Reactivity Hazard - No

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Chemical name	CAS number	Reportable quantity	Threshold planning quantity	Threshold planning quantity, lower value	Threshold planning quantity, upper value
HYDROGEN FLUORIDE	7664-39-3	100	100 lbs		

SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical No

SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Chemical name	CAS number	% by wt.
HYDROGEN FLUORIDE	7664-39-3	48

Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)

Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Not regulated.

US state regulations

US. California Controlled Substances. CA Department of Justice (California Health and Safety Code Section 11100)

Not listed.

US. California. Candidate Chemicals List. Safer Consumer Products Regulations (Cal. Code Regs, tit. 22, 69502.3, subd. (a))

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)

US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)

US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)

US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)

US. Rhode Island RTK

HYDROGEN FLUORIDE (CAS 7664-39-3)

US. California Proposition 65

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins.

International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

*A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)
A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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