# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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#### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

# Cobalt Nitrate Aqueous Solution

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#### SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Cobalt nitrate (10026-22-9) 3% and Water (7732-18-5) 97%. Synonym: Cobalt (II) nitrate, cobaltous nitrate, cobalt dinitrate

CAS#: None established

#### **SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Pink aqueous solution. Odorless.

Cobalt nitrate, as a solid, is a known human carcinogen (IARC-1). This solution is much less hazardous, but should still be handled with care.

Irritant to body tissues. Avoid all body tissue contact.

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Health-1 Flammability-0

Reactivity-1 Exposure-1

Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

## **SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES**

Call a physician and 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 or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

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

#### **SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Nonflammable, noncombustible solution.

When heated to decomposition, emits toxic fumes of NO<sub>x</sub> and Co.

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

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#### **SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area and ventilate area. Contain the spill with sand or absorbent material and deposit in a sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

# **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #3. Store with amides, nitrates, and nitrites. Use and dispense in a hood.

#### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

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

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#### **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Red liquid.

Formula: Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> 6H<sub>2</sub>O Formula weight: 291.05

#### **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with reducers, organic materials, heat, and moisture.

Shelf life: Fair.

# **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: Irritant. Chronic effects: N.A.

Target organs: Lungs, thyroid.

ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: 434 mg/kg as cobalt nitrate

IHL-RAT LC<sub>50</sub>: N.A. SKN-RBT LD<sub>50</sub>: 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 review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding. Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #27f 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 (233-402-1), RCRA code D001.

# SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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