

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET



## CITRIC ACID

Drilling Fluids

### 1. Product and Company Identification

**Material name** CITRIC ACID  
**Synonym(s)** 2-HYDROXY-1,2,3-PROPANETRICARBOXYLIC ACID  
**Supplier** Baker Hughes Drilling Fluids  
2001 Rankin Rd.  
Houston, TX 77073  
Emergency telephone number 713-439-8900

### 2. Composition / Information on Ingredients

The manufacturer lists no ingredients as hazardous according to OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.

### 3. Hazards Identification

**Emergency overview** Causes severe eye irritation. Irritating to respiratory system and skin. This product is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or OSHA.

**OSHA regulatory status** This product is considered not hazardous under 29 CFR 1910.1200 (Hazard Communication).

**Potential health effects**

- Eyes** Contact causes severe eye irritation. Rubbing may cause abrasion of cornea.
- Skin** Irritating to skin. Can cause redness, inflammation, irritation.
- Inhalation** Dusts of this product may cause irritation of the nose, throat, and respiratory tract. Inhalation of dust may cause shortness of breath, tightness of the chest, a sore throat and cough.
- Ingestion** Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Chronic ingestion may result in systemic toxicity including calcium imbalance, increased pH and kidney damage.

### 4. First Aid Measures

**First aid procedures**

- Eye contact** Hold eyelids apart and flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately.
- Skin contact** Remove and isolate contaminated clothing and shoes. Immediately flush skin with running water for at least 20 minutes. Get medical attention immediately. Wash clothing separately before reuse.
- Inhalation** Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention immediately.
- Ingestion** If swallowed, and the victim is conscious and alert, induce vomiting immediately, as directed by medical personnel.

**General advice** If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible).

### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Flammable properties** High concentration of airborne dust may form explosive mixture with air.

**Hazardous combustion products** Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide.

**Extinguishing media**

- Suitable extinguishing media** Dry chemical, CO<sub>2</sub>, water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

**Protection of firefighters**

- Protective equipment for firefighters** Move containers from fire area if you can do it without risk. Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water streams. As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

### 6. Accidental Release Measures

**Personal precautions** Keep unnecessary personnel away.

**Environmental precautions** Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

<b>Methods for containment</b>	Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk.
<b>Methods for cleaning up</b>	Avoid dust formation. Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a disposal container.

## 7. Handling and Storage

<b>Handling</b>	Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Do not handle or store near an open flame, heat or other sources of ignition. Do not get this material in your eyes, on your skin, or on your clothing.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep away from heat and flame. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

## 8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

<b>Engineering controls</b>	Ventilation should be sufficient to effectively remove and prevent buildup of any dusts or fumes that may be generated during handling or thermal processing.
<b>Personal protective equipment</b>	
<b>Eye protection</b>	Wear chemical goggles and face shield. Eye wash fountain is recommended.
<b>Hand protection</b>	Protective gloves.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Use of impervious boots is recommended. Use of protective coveralls and long sleeves is recommended.
<b>Respiratory protection</b>	When dusts or thermal processing fumes are generated and ventilation is not sufficient to effectively remove them, appropriate NIOSH/MSHA approved respiratory protection must be provided.
<b>General hygiene considerations</b>	When using do not smoke. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

<b>Appearance / Color / Form</b>	Granular. White. Solid.
<b>Odor</b>	Odourless.
<b>Clarity</b>	Not available
<b>Odor threshold</b>	Not available
<b>Physical state</b>	Solid
<b>pH</b>	2.1, conc: 0.1M (solution)
<b>Melting point</b>	Not available
<b>Freezing point</b>	Not available
<b>Boiling point</b>	Not available
<b>Flash point</b>	Not available
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not available
<b>Flammability limits in air, lower, % by volume</b>	Not available
<b>Flammability limits in air, upper, % by volume</b>	Not available
<b>Vapor pressure</b>	Not available
<b>Vapor density</b>	Not available
<b>Specific gravity</b>	1.542
<b>Relative density</b>	1.542 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
<b>Solubility</b>	Soluble in water
<b>Octanol/H<sub>2</sub>O coeff</b>	-1.72 at 20 °C
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	1850 °F (1010 °C)
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	Not available
<b>Molecular weight</b>	192.13 g/mol

## 10. Chemical Stability & Reactivity Information

<b>Chemical stability</b>	Stable at normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	Heat, flames and sparks.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Metal nitrates, alkali carbonates, bicarbonates, and potassium tartrate
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	Carbon oxides.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	Will not occur.

## 11. Toxicological Information

**Acute effects** Acute LD50: 3000 mg/kg, Rat, Oral

## 12. Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity** None known.  
**Partition coefficient** -1.72 at 20 °C

## 13. Disposal Considerations

**Disposal instructions** Dispose of waste material according to Local, State, Federal, and Provincial Environmental Regulations.

## 14. Transport Information

### Department of Transportation (DOT) Requirements

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

### IATA

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

### IMDG

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

## 15. Regulatory Information

**US federal regulations** This product is not known to be a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.  
All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory List.

CERCLA/SARA Hazardous Substances - Not applicable.

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)

**29 CFR 1910.1200 hazardous chemical** No

**CERCLA (Superfund) reportable quantity** None

### Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

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

**Section 302 extremely hazardous substance** No

**Section 311 hazardous chemical** Yes

**Food and Drug Administration (FDA)** Total food additive  
GRAS food additive

### Inventory status

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 (CCS)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of New and Existing Chemicals (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Japanese Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Korean Inventory of Chemicals (KICS)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	No
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)

**Regulations** The product does not need to be labelled in accordance with EC directives or respective national laws. This safety datasheet complies with the requirements of Directive 2001/58/EC.

**State regulations**

This product does not contain a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

**16. Other Information****HMIS® ratings**

Health: 1  
Flammability: 1  
Physical hazard: 0  
Personal protection: C

**NFPA ratings**

Health: 2  
Flammability: 1  
Instability: 0

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