

## Safety Data Sheet Davidson's Fixative Saline

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### SECTION 1: Identification

#### GHS Product identifier

Product name Davidson's Fixative Saline

#### Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Laboratory reagent.

#### Supplier's details

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Australia

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email [www.chemsupply.com.au](http://www.chemsupply.com.au)

#### Emergency phone number

CHEMCALL 1800 127 406 (Australia) / +64-4-917-9888 (International)

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### SECTION 2: Hazard identification

#### General hazard statement

Classified as dangerous goods according to the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG).

Classified as Hazardous according to the Globally Harmonised System of classification and labelling of Chemicals (GHS) including Work, Health and Safety regulations, Australia.

#### Classification of the substance or mixture

#### GHS classification in accordance with: UN GHS revision 7

- Acute toxicity, inhalation, Cat. 3
- Acute toxicity, dermal, Cat. 4
- Acute toxicity, oral, Cat. 4
- Carcinogenicity, Cat. 1
- Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Cat. 1
- Flammable liquids, Cat. 3
- Germ cell mutagenicity, Cat. 2
- Skin corrosion/irritation, Cat. 1A

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- Skin sensitizer, Cat. 1
- Corrosive to metals, Cat. 1

### GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

#### Pictograms



#### Signal word

**Danger**

#### Hazard statement(s)

H226	Flammable liquid and vapor
H290	May be corrosive to metals
H302	Harmful if swallowed
H312	Harmful in contact with skin
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction
H318	Causes serious eye damage
H331	Toxic if inhaled
H341	Suspected of causing genetic defects
H350	May cause cancer

#### Precautionary statement(s)

P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
P233	Keep container tightly closed.
P240	Ground and bond container and receiving equipment.
P241	Use explosion-proof [electrical/ventilating/lighting/...] equipment.
P242	Use non-sparking tools.
P243	Take action to prevent static discharges.
P260	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P272	Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell,
P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water [or shower].
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician
P333+P313	If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P362+P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P370+P378	In case of fire: Use agents recommended in Section 5 of SDS for extinction
P403+P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P405	Store locked up.

P501	Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal facility
P234	Keep only in original packaging.
P390	Absorb spillage to prevent material-damage.
P406	Store in a corrosive resistant/... container with a resistant inner liner.

### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

#### Mixtures

This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary slightly. Minor quantities of other non hazardous ingredients are also possible.

#### Components

Component	CAS no.	Concentration
<b>Water (EC no.: 231-791-2)</b>	<b>7732-18-5</b>	<b>&lt;= 36 % (weight)</b>
CLASSIFICATIONS: No data available. HAZARDS: No data available.		
<b>Ethanol (EC no.: 200-578-6; Index no.: 603-002-00-5)</b>	<b>64-17-5</b>	<b>&lt;= 26 % (weight)</b>
CLASSIFICATIONS: Flammable liquids, Cat. 2. HAZARDS: H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor.		
<b>FORMALDEHYDE, 37% SOLUTION (EC no.: 200-001-8; Index no.: 605-001-00-5)</b>	<b>50-00-0</b>	<b>&lt;= 25 % (weight)</b>
CLASSIFICATIONS: Carcinogenicity, Cat. 1B; Germ cell mutagenicity, Cat. 2; Acute toxicity, inhalation, Cat. 3; Acute toxicity, dermal, Cat. 3; Acute toxicity, oral, Cat. 3; Skin corrosion/irritation, Cat. 1B; Skin sensitizer, Cat. 1. HAZARDS: H301 - Toxic if swallowed; H311 - Toxic in contact with skin; H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage; H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction; H331 - Toxic if inhaled; H341 - Suspected of causing genetic defects [route]; H350 - May cause cancer [route]. [SCLs/M-factors/ATEs]: STOT SE 3; H335: C ≥ 5 %; Skin Corr. 1B; H314: C ≥ 25 %; Skin Irrit. 2; H315: 5 % ≤ C < 25 %; Eye Irrit. 2; H319: 5 % ≤ C < 25 %; Skin Sens. 1; H317: C ≥ 0,2 %		
<b>Acetic acid (EC no.: 200-580-7; Index no.: 607-002-00-6)</b>	<b>64-19-7</b>	<b>&lt;= 12 % (weight)</b>
CLASSIFICATIONS: Flammable liquids, Cat. 3; Skin corrosion/irritation, Cat. 1A. HAZARDS: H226 - Flammable liquid and vapor; H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. [SCLs/M-factors/ATEs]: Skin Corr. 1A; H314: C ≥ 90 %; Skin Corr. 1B; H314: 25 % ≤ C < 90 %; Skin Irrit. 2; H315: 10 % ≤ C < 25 %; Eye Irrit. 2; H319: 10 % ≤ C < 25 %		
<b>Sodium chloride (EC no.: 425-740-5; Index no.: 611-142-00-3)</b>	<b>7647-14-5</b>	<b>1 % (weight)</b>
CLASSIFICATIONS: No data available. HAZARDS: No data available.		

### SECTION 4: First-aid measures

#### Description of necessary first-aid measures

General advice	For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (e.g. phone Australia 13 11 26; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor (at once).  First Aid Facilities: Maintain eyewash fountain in work area.
If inhaled	If inhaled, remove from contaminated area to fresh air immediately. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Consult a physician.
In case of skin contact	Remove contaminated clothing and wash affected skin with soap and water. If rapid recovery does not occur, obtain medical attention
In case of eye contact	Immediately irrigate with copious quantity of water for at least 15 minutes. Eyelids to be held open. In all cases of eye contamination it is a sensible precaution to seek medical advice.
If swallowed	Rinse mouth thoroughly with water immediately, repeat until all traces of product have been removed. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

**Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed**

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

**Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary**

For advice in an emergency, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 131 126) or a doctor at once.

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**SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures**

**Suitable extinguishing media**

Suitable extinguishing media: Caution: Use of water spray when fighting fire may be inefficient.

Small fire: Use foam, dry chemical, CO<sub>2</sub> or water spray.

Large fire: Use foam, fog or water spray - Do NOT use water jets.

If safe to do so, move undamaged containers from the fire area. Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after the fire is out. Avoid getting water inside the containers.

**Specific hazards arising from the chemical**

FLAMMABLE: These products have a low flash point. Will be easily ignited by heat, sparks or flames. Vapours will form explosive mixtures with air. Vapours will travel to source of ignition and flash back. Vapours are heavier than air and will collect in low or confined areas (drains, basements, tanks). Many liquids are lighter than water. Containers may explode when heated. Fire will produce irritating, poisonous and/or corrosive gases. Vapours from run-off may create an explosion hazard. Isolate for at least 800 metres in all directions if tanks or tankers are involved. The use of compressed air for filling, discharging, mixing or handling is prohibited due to the vapour hazard. All vessels must be earthed to avoid generation of static charges when agitating or transferring solvents. Intrinsically safe equipment is necessary in areas where this chemical is being used.

**Special protective actions for fire-fighters**

Fire fighters should wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) operated in positive pressure mode. Fight fire from safe location.

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**SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Wear protective clothing specified for normal operations (see Section 8)

Absorb with dry earth, sand or other non-combustible material. Use clean nonsparking tools to collect and seal in properly labelled drums for disposal in an area approved by local authority bylaws. Wash area down with excess water to remove residual material.

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**SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

**Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wear appropriate protective clothing, safety glasses, gloves. Wash hands and face thoroughly after working with material. Areas in which people handle this chemical should be equipped with safety showers. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before re-use. Avoid inhalation and ingestion. Under no circumstances eat, drink or smoke while handling this material. Use with adequate ventilation. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Store in tightly closed containers, in a cool, dry, ventilated area away from sources of heat or ignition.

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## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### **Appropriate engineering controls**

Use ventilation adequate to keep exposures (airborne levels of dust, fume, vapor, gas, etc.) below recommended exposure limits.

### **Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)**

#### **Eye/face protection**

The use of a face shield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection as appropriate. Must comply with Australian Standards AS 1337 and be selected and used in accordance with AS 1336.

#### **Skin protection**

Clean impervious clothing should be worn. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against Hazardous Chemicals.

Hand Protection: Ensure hand protection complies with AS 2161, Occupational protective gloves - Selection, use and maintenance.

#### **Body protection**

Footwear: Safety boots in industrial situations is advisory, foot protection should comply with AS 2210, Occupational protective footwear - Guide to selection, care and use.

Body Protection: Clean clothing or protective clothing should be worn, preferably with an apron. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against Hazardous Chemicals.

#### **Respiratory protection**

If engineering controls are not effective in controlling airborne exposure then an approved respirator with a replaceable vapor/ mist filter should be used. Refer to relevant regulations for further information concerning respiratory protective requirements. Reference should be made to Australian Standards AS/ NZS 1715, Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices; and AS/NZS 1716, Respiratory Protective Devices, in order to make any necessary changes for individual circumstances.

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## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

### **Basic physical and chemical properties**

Appearance	Clear colourless liquid
Color	Colourless
Odor	No data available.
Odor threshold	No data available.
Melting point/freezing point	No data available.
Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range	No data available.
Flammability	Flammable
Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit	No data available.
Flash point	Approx. 30C
Explosive properties	No data available.
Auto-ignition temperature	No data available.
Decomposition temperature	No data available.
Oxidizing properties	No data available.
pH	No data available.
Kinematic viscosity	No data available.
Solubility	No data available.
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	No data available.

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Vapor pressure	No data available.
Evaporation rate	No data available.
Density and/or relative density	No data available.
Relative vapor density	No data available.
Particle characteristics	No data available.

### Supplemental information regarding physical hazard classes

No data available.

### Further safety characteristics (supplemental)

No data available.

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### Reactivity

None under normal use conditions.

Risk of ignition. Vapours may form explosive mixtures with air

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

### Conditions to avoid

Avoid storing in direct sunlight and avoid extremes of temperature.

Heat, flames and sparks.

### Incompatible materials

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Acetic acid: Oxidizing agents, Soluble carbonates and phosphates, Hydroxides, Metals, Peroxides, permanganates, e.g. potassium permanganate, Amines, Alcohols, Nitric acid

### Hazardous decomposition products

Under fire conditions this product may emit toxic and/or irritating fumes including carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide.

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Acetic acid: Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

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Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed. May cause digestive tract irritation with immediate pain, swelling of the throat. Ingestion is not a typical route of occupational exposure.

Inhalation: Harmful by inhalation. May cause irritation of nose, throat, respiratory tract and lungs with coughing, burns, breathing difficulty. Breathing vapour or mist may result in digestive disturbances (vomiting, difficulty in swallowing, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, loss of appetite). Substance is unlikely to pose an inhalation hazard unless it is heated or misted, as it does not readily form a vapour at room temperature.

#### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

Harmful in contact with skin. Corrosive following skin contact. Skin contact and absorption is the most common route of occupational exposure. Repeated contact with dilute solutions or even brief contact with concentrated solutions can pose a risk to life. Readily absorbed through the skin and can cause harmful effects. Signs and symptoms of phenol toxicity develop rapidly and include central nervous system effects, muscle weakness, tremors, loss of coordination, effects on the heart and blood vessels, shock, sudden collapse, coma, convulsions, lung and kidney damage and death.

#### **Serious eye damage/irritation**

May cause severe irritation, eye burns, redness, pain, blurred vision and permanent damage, including blindness. Vapours are irritating to eyes.

#### **Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Respiratory sensitisation: Not classified based on available information.

Skin Sensitisation: Sensitization - Skin: Category 1B  
H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

#### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

Suspected of causing genetic defects

#### **Carcinogenicity**

Carcinogenicity: Category 1B  
H351 Suspected of causing cancer by inhalation.

#### **Reproductive toxicity**

Not classified based on available information.

#### **Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - single exposure**

Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure: Category 3  
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

#### **Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - repeated exposure**

Not classified based on available information.

#### **Aspiration hazard**

Not classified based on available information.

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## SECTION 12: Ecological information

#### **Toxicity**

No data available.

#### **Persistence and degradability**

No data available.

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### Bioaccumulative potential

No data available.

### Mobility in soil

No data available.

### Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

No data available.

### Endocrine disrupting properties

No data available.

### Other adverse effects

No data available.

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### Disposal methods

#### Product disposal

Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers.

#### Other disposal recommendations

Do not discharge this material into waterways, drains and sewers.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

### ADG (Road and Rail)

UN Number: 3286

Class: 3, 6.1,8

Packing Group: II

Proper Shipping Name: FLAMMABLE LIQUID, TOXIC, CORROSIVE, N.O.S. (Contains Ethanol, Formaldehyde, Acetic Acid)

Environmental Hazards: Toxic for aquatic organisms. Toxic effect on fish and plankton. Forms toxic mixtures in water, dilution measures notwithstanding. Change in the flavour characteristics of fish protein. Endangers drinking-water supplies if allowed to enter soil or water.

### Hazchem emergency action code (EAC)

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### IMDG

UN Number: 3286

Class: 3, 6.1,8

Packing Group: II

Proper Shipping Name: FLAMMABLE LIQUID, TOXIC, CORROSIVE, N.O.S. (Contains Ethanol, Formaldehyde, Acetic Acid)

### IATA

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## SECTION 15: Regulatory information



**Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question**

**Australia SUSMP**

Poison Schedule: S6

**California Prop. 65 Components**

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

**Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL)**

Chemical name: Acetic acid

CAS: 64-19-7

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

Acetic acid

CAS number: 64-19-7

**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

Acetic acid

CAS number: 64-19-7

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

Acetic acid

CAS number: 64-19-7

**SARA 302 Components**

No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**SARA 313 Components**

This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

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**SECTION 16: Other information**

**Further information/disclaimer**

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**Preparation information**

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