

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name:** DithiVer ® Metals Reagent  
**Catalog Number:** 1261699

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**MSDS Number:** M00047  
**Chemical Name:** Not applicable  
**CAS No.:** Not applicable  
**Chemical Formula:** Not applicable  
**Chemical Family:** Not applicable  
**Hazard:** May cause irritation. May cause allergic reaction.  
**Date of MSDS Preparation:**  
**Day:** 25  
**Month:** September  
**Year:** 2007

## 2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### Other components, each

**CAS No.:** Not applicable  
**TSCA CAS Number:** Not applicable  
**Percent Range:** < 1.0  
**Percent Range Units:** weight / weight  
**LD50:** Not applicable  
**LC50:** Not applicable  
**TLV:** Not established  
**PEL:** Not established  
**Hazard:** Any ingredient(s) of this product listed as "Other component(s)" is not considered a health hazard to the user of this product.

### Sodium Metabisulfite

**CAS No.:** 7681-57-4  
**TSCA CAS Number:** 7681-57-4  
**Percent Range:** > 99.0  
**Percent Range Units:** weight / weight  
**LD50:** Oral rat LD<sub>50</sub> = 1131 mg/kg  
**LC50:** None reported  
**TLV:** 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (ACGIH - TWA)  
**PEL:** Not established  
**Hazard:** May cause irritation. May cause allergic reaction.

## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Emergency Overview:**

**Appearance:** Gray powder

**Odor:** Sulfur-like

MAY CAUSE EYE, SKIN AND RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION

MAY CAUSE ALLERGIC RESPIRATORY REACTION IF SWALLOWED OR INHALED

**HMIS:**

**Health:** 2

**Flammability:** 0

**Reactivity:** 1

**Protective Equipment:** X - See protective equipment, Section 8.

**NFPA:**

**Health:** 2

**Flammability:** 0

**Reactivity:** 1

**Symbol:** Not applicable

**Potential Health Effects:**

**Eye Contact:** May cause irritation

**Skin Contact:** May cause irritation

**Skin Absorption:** No effects anticipated

**Target Organs:** Not applicable

**Ingestion:** May cause: allergic respiratory reaction gastrointestinal irritation diarrhea circulatory disturbances central nervous system depression Very large doses may cause: colic depression death

**Target Organs:** None reported

**Inhalation:** May cause: allergic respiratory reaction respiratory tract irritation difficult breathing sweating rapid pulse and respirations blood pressure changes coughing flushing hives

**Target Organs:** None reported

**Medical Conditions Aggravated:** Sulfites are strong sensitizers. Inhalation and ingestion may cause allergic respiratory reactions in asthmatics. Persons with respiratory conditions should take special care when working with products that contain sulfites.

**Chronic Effects:** Chronic overexposure may cause allergic respiratory reactions

**Cancer / Reproductive Toxicity Information:**

This product does NOT contain any OSHA listed carcinogens.

An ingredient of this mixture is: IARC Group 3: Non-classifiable  
Metabisulfites

This product does NOT contain any NTP listed chemicals.

**Additional Cancer / Reproductive Toxicity Information:** Contains: an experimental mutagen.

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products:** None reported

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#### 4. FIRST AID

**Eye Contact:** Immediately flush eyes with water for 15 minutes. Call physician.

**Skin Contact (First Aid):** Wash skin with plenty of water. Call physician if irritation develops.

**Ingestion (First Aid):** Do not induce vomiting. Give 1-2 glasses of water. Call physician immediately.

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if necessary. Call physician.

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#### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flammable Properties:** During a fire, corrosive and toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition.

**Flash Point:** Not applicable

**Method:** Not applicable

**Flammability Limits:**

**Lower Explosion Limits:** Not applicable

**Upper Explosion Limits:** Not applicable

**Autoignition Temperature:** Not applicable

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Toxic fumes of: sodium monoxide sulfur oxides.

**Fire / Explosion Hazards:** May react violently with: strong acids strong oxidizers

**Static Discharge:** None reported.

**Mechanical Impact:** None reported

**Extinguishing Media:** Use media appropriate to surrounding fire conditions

**Fire Fighting Instruction:** As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand and full protective gear.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Spill Response Notice:**

Only persons properly qualified to respond to an emergency involving hazardous substances may respond to a spill according to federal regulations (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120(a)(v)) and per your company's emergency response plan and guidelines/procedures. See Section 13, Special Instructions for disposal assistance.

**Containment Technique:** Stop spilled material from being released to the environment.

**Clean-up Technique:** Scoop up spilled material into a large beaker and dissolve with water. Adjust to a pH between 6 and 9 with an alkali, such as soda ash or sodium bicarbonate. Flush reacted material to the drain with a large excess of water. Decontaminate the area of the spill with a soap solution.

**Evacuation Procedure:** Evacuate local area (15 foot radius or as directed by your facility's emergency response plan) when: a pound or more of loose powder is spilled. If conditions warrant, increase the size of the evacuation.

**Special Instructions (for accidental release):** Not applicable

**304 EHS RQ (40 CFR 355):** Not applicable

**D.O.T. Emergency Response Guide Number:** Not applicable

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## 7. HANDLING / STORAGE

**Handling:** Avoid contact with eyes skin clothing Do not breathe dust. Wash thoroughly after handling. Maintain general industrial hygiene practices when using this product.

**Storage:** Protect from: moisture heat light Keep away from: oxidizers acids

**Flammability Class:** Not applicable

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

**Engineering Controls:** Maintain general industrial hygiene practices when using this product.

**Personal Protective Equipment:**

**Eye Protection:** safety glasses with top and side shields

**Skin Protection:** disposable latex gloves lab coat

**Inhalation Protection:** adequate ventilation

**Precautionary Measures:** Avoid contact with: eyes skin clothing Do not breathe: dust Wash thoroughly after handling. Protect from: heat moisture light

**TLV:** Not established

**PEL:** Not established

## 9. PHYSICAL / CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance:** Gray powder  
**Physical State:** Solid  
**Molecular Weight:** Not applicable  
**Odor:** Sulfur-like  
**pH:** 5% solution = 4.2  
**Vapor Pressure:** Not applicable  
**Vapor Density (air = 1):** Not applicable  
**Boiling Point:** Not applicable  
**Melting Point:** 170°C; 338°F  
**Specific Gravity (water = 1):** 2.32  
**Evaporation Rate (water = 1):** Not applicable  
**Volatile Organic Compounds Content:** Not applicable  
**Partition Coefficient (n-octanol / water):** Not applicable  
**Solubility:**  
    **Water:** Soluble  
    **Acid:** Not determined  
    **Other:** Not determined  
**Metal Corrosivity:**  
    **Steel:** 0.004 in/yr  
    **Aluminum:** 0.019 in/yr

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## 10. STABILITY / REACTIVITY

**Chemical Stability:** Stable when stored under proper conditions.  
**Conditions to Avoid:** Exposure to light. Extreme temperatures Excess moisture  
**Reactivity / Incompatibility:** Incompatible with: acids oxidizers  
**Hazardous Decomposition:** Heating to decomposition releases toxic and/or corrosive fumes of: sulfur oxides  
**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Product Toxicological Data:**  
    **LD50:** None reported  
    **LC50:** None reported  
    **Dermal Toxicity Data:** None reported  
    **Skin and Eye Irritation Data:** None reported  
    **Mutation Data:** Sodium metabisulfite: Cytogenic analysis hamster ovary 180 µg/l; Sister chromatid exchange on hamster ovary at 200 µg/l  
    **Reproductive Effects Data:** Sodium metabisulfite: Oral rat TDLo = 20 g/kg effects on newborn - stillbirth; oral rat TDLo = 40 g/kg effects on newborn - weaning or lactation index  
**Ingredient Toxicological Data:** --  
    No toxicological data available for the ingredients of this product.

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Product Ecological Information:** --  
    No ecological data available for this product.  
**Ingredient Ecological Information:** --  
    No ecological data available for the ingredients of this product.

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### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**EPA Waste ID Number:** None

**Special Instructions (Disposal):** Work in an approved fume hood. Dilute material with excess water making a weaker than 5% solution. Adjust to a pH between 6 and 9 with an alkali, such as soda ash or sodium bicarbonate. Open cold water tap completely, slowly pour the reacted material to the drain. Allow cold water to run for 5 minutes to completely flush the system.

**Empty Containers:** Rinse three times with an appropriate solvent. Dispose of empty container as normal trash.

**NOTICE (Disposal):** These disposal guidelines are based on federal regulations and may be superseded by more stringent state or local requirements. Please consult your local environmental regulators for more information.

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### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**D.O.T.:**

**D.O.T. Proper Shipping Name:** Not Currently Regulated

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**DOT Hazard Class:** NA

**DOT Subsidiary Risk:** NA

**DOT ID Number:** NA

**DOT Packing Group:** NA

**I.C.A.O.:**

**I.C.A.O. Proper Shipping Name:** Not Currently Regulated

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**ICAO Hazard Class:** NA

**ICAO Subsidiary Risk:** NA

**ICAO ID Number:** NA

**ICAO Packing Group:** NA

**I.M.O.:**

**I.M.O. Proper Shipping Name:** Not Currently Regulated

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**I.M.O. Hazard Class:** NA

**I.M.O. Subsidiary Risk:** NA

**I.M.O. ID Number:** NA

**I.M.O. Packing Group:** NA

**Additional Information:** There is a possibility that this product could be contained in a reagent set or kit composed of various compatible dangerous goods. If the item is NOT in a set or kit, the classification given above applies. If the item IS part of a set or kit, the classification would change to the following: UN3316 Chemical Kit, Class 9, PG II or III. If the item is not regulated, the Chemical Kit classification does not apply.

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### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**U.S. Federal Regulations:**

**O.S.H.A.:** This product meets the criteria for a hazardous substance as defined in the Hazard Communication Standard. (29 CFR 1910.1200)

**E.P.A.:**

**S.A.R.A. Title III Section 311/312 Categorization (40 CFR 370):** Immediate (Acute) Health Hazard

**S.A.R.A. Title III Section 313 (40 CFR 372):** This product does NOT contain any chemical subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of Title III of SARA.

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**302 (EHS) TPQ (40 CFR 355):** Not applicable  
**304 CERCLA RQ (40 CFR 302.4):** Not applicable  
**304 EHS RQ (40 CFR 355):** Not applicable  
**Clean Water Act (40 CFR 116.4):** Not applicable  
**RCRA:** Contains no RCRA regulated substances.

**C.P.S.C.:** Not applicable

**State Regulations:**

**California Prop. 65:** No Prop. 65 listed chemicals are present in this product.

**Identification of Prop. 65 Ingredient(s):** None

**California Perchlorate Rule CCR Title 22 Chap 33:**

**Trade Secret Registry:** Not applicable

**National Inventories:**

**U.S. Inventory Status:** All ingredients in this product are listed on the TSCA 8(b) Inventory (40 CFR 710).

**TSCA CAS Number:** Not applicable

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Intended Use:** Indicator of heavy metals

**References:** 29 CFR 1900 - 1910 (Code of Federal Regulations - Labor). Air Contaminants, Federal Register, Vol. 54, No. 12. Thursday, January 19, 1989. pp. 2332-2983. TLV's Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices for 1992-1993. American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, 1992. In-house information. Vendor Information. Technical Judgment. The Merck Index, 11th Ed. Rahway, New Jersey: Merck and Co., Inc., 1989. Gosselin, R. E. et al. Clinical Toxicology of Commercial Products, 5th Ed. Baltimore: The Williams and Wilkins Co., 1984.

**Revision Summary:** Updates in Section(s) 14,

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**Legend:**

NA - Not Applicable	w/w - weight/weight
ND - Not Determined	w/v - weight/volume
NV - Not Available	v/v - volume/volume

**USER RESPONSIBILITY:** Each user should read and understand this information and incorporate it in individual site safety programs in accordance with applicable hazard communication standards and regulations.

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