Material Safety Data Sheet
Silver Nitrate, 0.2 N MSDS

Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

**Product Name:** Silver Nitrate, 0.2 N  
**Catalog Codes:** SLS2245  
**CAS#:** Mixture.  
**RTECS:** Not applicable.  
**TSCA:** TSCA 8(b) inventory: Silver nitrate; Water  
**CI#:** Not available.  
**Synonym:**  
**Chemical Name:** Not applicable.  
**Chemical Formula:** Not applicable.  

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Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

**Composition:**

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<th>Name</th>
<th>CAS #</th>
<th>% by Weight</th>
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<td>Silver nitrate</td>
<td>7761-88-8</td>
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<td>Water</td>
<td>7732-18-5</td>
<td>96.6</td>
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**Toxicological Data on Ingredients:** Silver nitrate: ORAL (LD50): Acute: 1173 mg/kg [Rat]. 50 mg/kg [Mouse]. 473 mg/kg [Guinea pig].

Section 3: Hazards Identification

**Potential Acute Health Effects:**  
Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation (lung irritant). Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (permeator).

**Potential Chronic Health Effects:**  
CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. The substance is toxic to lungs. The substance may be toxic to mucous membranes, skin, eyes. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage.

Section 4: First Aid Measures
Eye Contact:
Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Cold water may be used. Get medical attention.

Skin Contact:
In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Cold water may be used. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention immediately.

Serious Skin Contact:
Wash with a disinfectant soap and cover the contaminated skin with an anti-bacterial cream. Seek medical attention.

Inhalation:
If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention immediately.

Serious Inhalation: Not available.

Ingestion:
Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention if symptoms appear.

Serious Ingestion: Not available.

Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability of the Product: Non-flammable.
Auto-Ignition Temperature: Not applicable.
Flash Points: Not applicable.
Flammable Limits: Not applicable.
Products of Combustion: Not available.
Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Not applicable.
Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Non-explosive in presence of open flames and sparks, of shocks.
Fire Fighting Media and Instructions: Not applicable.
Special Remarks on Fire Hazards: Not available.
Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:
Silver nitrate mixed with dry powdered magnesium may ignite explosively on contact with a drop of water. An explosive fulminate may be formed if silver nitrate is mixed with alcohols. Highly explosive is formed by the addition of calcium carbide to silver nitrate solution. (Silver nitrate)

Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

Small Spill:
Dilute with water and mop up, or absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste disposal container. If necessary: Neutralize the residue with a dilute solution of sodium carbonate. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

Large Spill:
Absorb with an inert material and put the spilled material in an appropriate waste disposal. Neutralize the residue with a dilute solution of sodium carbonate. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.
Section 7: Handling and Storage

Precautions:
Do not ingest. Do not breathe gas/fumes/ vapor/spray. Wear suitable protective clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

Storage: Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area.

Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls:
Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value.

Personal Protection:
Splash goggles. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:
Splash goggles. Full suit. Vapor respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

Exposure Limits:
Silver nitrate TWA: 0.01 (mg/m3) from ACGIH (TLV) [United States] TWA: 0.01 (mg/m3) from OSHA (PEL) [United States]
Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state and appearance: Liquid.

Odor: Not available.

Taste: Not available.

Molecular Weight: Not applicable.

Color: Clear Colorless.

pH (1% soln/water): Acidic.

Boiling Point: The lowest known value is 100°C (212°F) (Water).

Melting Point: Not available.

Critical Temperature: Not available.

Specific Gravity: Weighted average: 1.03 (Water = 1)

Vapor Pressure: The highest known value is 2.3 kPa (@ 20°C) (Water).

Vapor Density: The highest known value is 0.62 (Air = 1) (Water).

Volatility: Not available.

Odor Threshold: Not available.

Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.: Not available.

Ionicity (in Water): Not available.

Dispersion Properties: See solubility in water, diethyl ether.

Solubility:
Easily soluble in cold water, hot water. Soluble in diethyl ether. Very slightly soluble in acetone.

**Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data**

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<th><strong>Stability:</strong></th>
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<td><strong>Instability Temperature:</strong></td>
<td>Not available.</td>
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<td><strong>Conditions of Instability:</strong></td>
<td>Incompatible materials</td>
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<td><strong>Incompatibility with various substances:</strong></td>
<td>Slightly reactive to reactive with reducing agents, combustible materials, organic materials, alkalis.</td>
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<td><strong>Corrosivity:</strong></td>
<td>Non-corrosive in presence of glass.</td>
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<td><strong>Special Remarks on Reactivity:</strong></td>
<td>Sensitive to light. Incompatible with antimony salts, arsenites, bromides, carbonates, chlorides, iodides, thiocyanates, ferrous salts, hypophosphites, morphine salts, oils, creosote, phosphates, tannic acid, tartrates, vegetable decoctions, and extracts, sodium hydroxide, charcoal, thimerosal, benzalkonium chloride, halogenated acids and their salts. Alcohols. Silver nitrate reacts with acetylene in presence of ammonia to form silver acetylide, a sensitive powerful detonator when dry. Reaction between silver nitrate and chlorosulfonic acid is violent. Silver nitrate is reduced by hydrogen sulfide in the dark. Silver nitrate is easily reduces to metallic silver by ferrous salts, arsenites, hypophosphites, tartrates, sugars, tannins, volatile oils. (Silver nitrate)</td>
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<td><strong>Special Remarks on Corrosivity:</strong></td>
<td>Not available.</td>
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<td><strong>Polymerization:</strong></td>
<td>Will not occur.</td>
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**Section 11: Toxicological Information**

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<th><strong>Routes of Entry:</strong></th>
<th>Absorbed through skin. Eye contact. Ingestion.</th>
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<td><strong>Toxicity to Animals:</strong></td>
<td>Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 1471 mg/kg (Mouse) (Calculated value for the mixture).</td>
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<td><strong>Chronic Effects on Humans:</strong></td>
<td>Contains material which may cause damage to the following organs: mucous membranes, skin, eyes.</td>
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<td><strong>Other Toxic Effects on Humans:</strong></td>
<td>Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation (lung irritant).</td>
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<td><strong>Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:</strong></td>
<td>May affect genetic material (mutagenic). May cause cancer based on animal test data. May cause adverse reproductive effects. (Silver nitrate)</td>
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<td><strong>Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:</strong></td>
<td>Acute Potential Health Effects: Skin: Causes skin irritation. May cause temporary discoloration of the skin. May be absorbed through the skin. Eyes: Causes eye irritation with redness, pain, and tearing. Inhalation: Causes respiratory tract irritation with coughing, wheezing. Ingestion: Causes gastrointestinal tract irritation with nausea, vomiting, hypermotility, and diarrhea. May cause a burning sensation in the mouth, argyria -grayish/blackening of skin and mucous membranes, throat and abdomen. Silver poisoning may also affect kidneys, behavior/central nervous system (dizziness, tetany, somnolence, vertigo, convulsions), cardiovascular system (fall in blood pressure), respiration (decreased respiration, cyanosis). Chronic Potential Health Effects: Absorption of the nitrate and reduction to nitrite may cause rare methemoglobinemia which is characterized by chocolate -brown colored blood, headache, weakness, dizziness, shortness of breath, cyanosis (bluish skin due to deficient oxygenation of blood), rapid heart rate. Eyes and Skin: Repeated or prolonged application on the skin or eyes causes argyria, a bluish-grayish discoloration of the skin and eyes. Ingestion: Prolonged or repeated ingestion causes argyria characterized by a permanent blue-slate gray discoloration of the skin, eyes, mucous membranes, and internal organs. Prolonged or repeated ingestion may also affect the liver (hepatitis), kidneys (nephritis), cardiovascular system, behavior/central nervous system (symptoms similar to acute ingestion), and metabolism (weight loss) Inhalation: May cause argyrosis of the respiratory tract, chronic bronchitis. It may also affect the cardiovascular system.</td>
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Section 12: Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: Not available.

BOD5 and COD: Not available.

**Products of Biodegradation:**
Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

**Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:** The product itself and its products of degradation are not toxic.

**Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation:** Not available.

Section 13: Disposal Considerations

**Waste Disposal:**
Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

Section 14: Transport Information

**DOT Classification:** Not a DOT controlled material (United States).

**Identification:** Not applicable.

**Special Provisions for Transport:** Not applicable.

Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

**Federal and State Regulations:**
Connecticut hazardous material survey.: Silver nitrate Illinois chemical safety act: Silver nitrate New York acutely hazardous substances: Silver nitrate Rhode Island RTK hazardous substances: Silver nitrate Pennsylvania RTK: Silver nitrate Massachusetts RTK: Silver nitrate Massachusetts spill list: Silver nitrate New Jersey: Silver nitrate New Jersey spill list: Silver nitrate Louisiana spill reporting: Silver nitrate California Director's List of Hazardous Substances: Silver Nitrate TSCA 8(b) inventory: Silver nitrate: Water SARA 313 toxic chemical notification and release reporting: Silver nitrate 3.4% CERCLA: Hazardous substances.: Silver nitrate: 1 lbs. (0.4536 kg);


**Other Classifications:**

WHMIS (Canada): CLASS D-2B: Material causing other toxic effects (TOXIC).

DSCL (EEC):
R36/37/38- Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin. S26- In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. S36/37- Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.

HMIS (U.S.A.):
- Health Hazard: 2
- Fire Hazard: 0
- Reactivity: 0
- Personal Protection: h

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):
- Health: 1
- Flammability: 0
Reactivity: 0

Specific hazard:

Protective Equipment:
Gloves. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Splash goggles.

Section 16: Other Information

References: Not available.

Other Special Considerations: Not available.

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