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## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Ammonium formate  
**Cat No. :** A115-50; A666-500  
**Synonyms** Formic acid, ammonium salt (Optima LCMS/Crystalline/Certified)  
**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** No Information available  
**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

**Company**

Fisher Scientific  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

**Emergency Telephone Number**

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Skin Corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	

**Label Elements**

**Signal Word**

Warning

**Hazard Statements**

Causes skin irritation  
Causes serious eye irritation  
May cause respiratory irritation



**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

**Inhalation**

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing  
 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell

**Skin**

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention  
 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse

**Eyes**

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

**Storage**

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
 Store locked up

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

May form combustible dust concentrations in air

### 3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Ammonium formate	540-69-2	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects Notes to Physician</b>	None reasonably foreseeable. Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available

<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Dust can form an explosive mixture in air. Fine dust dispersed in air may ignite. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) Ammonia

**Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

**NFPA**

<b>Health</b>	<b>Flammability</b>	<b>Instability</b>	<b>Physical hazards</b>
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**6. Accidental release measures**

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.

<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.
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**7. Handling and storage**

<b>Handling</b>	Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. Keep in properly labeled containers.

**8. Exposure controls / personal protection**

<b>Exposure Guidelines</b>	This product does not contain any known or suspected reproductive hazards
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<b>Engineering Measures</b>	Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.
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**Personal Protective Equipment**

<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166. Tightly fitting safety goggles.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Long sleeved clothing.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**9. Physical and chemical properties**

<b>Physical State</b>	Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	White

Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	6.0-7.0 5% aq.sol
Melting Point/Range	115 - 120 °C / 239 - 248 °F
Boiling Point/Range	No information available
Flash Point	No information available
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	No information available
Vapor Density	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	No information available
Solubility	soluble
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	Not applicable
Molecular Formula	C H5 N O2
Molecular Weight	63.06

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions. Hygroscopic.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to moisture.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Ammonia
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information

#### Component Information

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

#### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

<b>Irritation</b>	Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin
<b>Sensitization</b>	No information available
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Ammonium formate	540-69-2	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

<b>Teratogenicity</b>	No information available.
<b>STOT - single exposure</b>	Respiratory system
<b>STOT - repeated exposure</b>	None known
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	No information available
<b>Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed</b>	No information available
<b>Endocrine Disruptor Information</b>	No information available
<b>Other Adverse Effects</b>	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains.

<b>Persistence and Degradability</b>	Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.
<b>Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation</b>	No information available.

<b>Mobility</b>	Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.
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## 13. Disposal considerations

<b>Waste Disposal Methods</b>	Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.
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## 14. Transport information

<b>DOT</b>	Not regulated
<b>TDG</b>	Not regulated
<b>IATA</b>	Not regulated
<b>IMDG/IMO</b>	Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

### International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Ammonium formate	X	X	-	208-753-9	-		X	X	X	X	X

#### Legend:

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

### U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

**SARA 313**

Component	CAS-No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Ammonium formate	540-69-2	>95	1.0

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	No
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

CWA (Clean Water Act) Not applicable

Clean Air Act Not applicable

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Not applicable

CERCLA  
Not applicable

California Proposition 65 This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations Not applicable

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ):	N
DOT Marine Pollutant	N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

Mexico - Grade No information available

**Canada**

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

WHMIS Hazard Class D2B Toxic materials



## 16. Other information

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**End of SDS**