

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** L-(+)-Tartaric acid

**Cat No. :** A13668

**CAS-No** 87-69-4  
**Synonyms** Natural tartaric acid; L-(+)-Dihydroxysuccinic acid

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.  
**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

**Company**

Alfa Aesar  
Thermo Fisher Scientific Chemicals, Inc.  
30 Bond Street  
Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099  
Tel: 800-343-0660  
Fax: 800-322-4757  
**Email:** tech@alfa.com  
www.alfa.com

**Emergency Telephone Number**

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660.  
After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Classification**

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

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Combustible dust	Yes

**Label Elements**

**Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

May form combustible dust concentrations in air  
Causes serious eye damage

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

**Eyes**

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

**Storage**

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

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

None identified

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Tartaric acid (d, l)	87-69-4	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

**General Advice**

If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

**Skin Contact**

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

**Inhalation**

Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

**Ingestion**

Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

**Most important symptoms and effects**

Causes eye burns. Causes severe eye damage.

**Notes to Physician**

Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**

No information available

**Flash Point**

210 °C / 410 °F

**Method -**

No information available

**Autoignition Temperature**

425 °C / 797 °F

**Explosion Limits  
Upper**

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 with air. Fine dust dispersed in air may ignite. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. In the event of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

**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**

**Health**  
3

**Flammability**  
1

**Instability**  
0

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

**6. Accidental release measures**

**Personal Precautions** Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

**Environmental Precautions** Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

**7. Handling and storage**

**Handling** Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

**Storage** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

**8. Exposure controls / personal protection**

**Exposure Guidelines** This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

**Engineering Measures** Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eye/face Protection** Tight sealing safety goggles. Face protection shield.

**Skin and body protection** Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection** 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.

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**9. Physical and chemical properties**

**Physical State** Solid  
**Appearance** White

Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	1.6 1% aq. solution
Melting Point/Range	168 - 172 °C / 334.4 - 341.6 °F
Boiling Point/Range	No information available
Flash Point	210 °C / 410 °F
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	<0.1 mbar @ 20 °C
Vapor Density	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	1.76 @ 20°C
Solubility	Soluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	425 °C / 797 °F
Decomposition Temperature	> 170°C
Viscosity	Not applicable
Molecular Formula	C4 H6 O6
Molecular Weight	150.09

## 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat.
Incompatible Materials	Bases, Fluorine, Metals, Reducing Agent
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

**Product Information** No acute toxicity information is available for this product

**Component Information**  
**Toxicologically Synergistic** No information available

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

**Irritation** Severe eye irritant

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Tartaric acid (d, l)	87-69-4	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

<b>Developmental Effects</b>	No information available.
<b>Teratogenicity</b>	No information available.
<b>STOT - single exposure</b>	None known
<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

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Tartaric acid (d, l)	-	-	-	EC50=230 mg/L 48h

**Persistence and Degradability** Persistence is unlikely

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** . Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Tartaric acid (d, l)	-1.7

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** 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.

## 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

### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS-No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active/Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Tartaric acid (d, l)	87-69-4	X	ACTIVE	-

#### **Legend:**

**TSCA** - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

**TSCA 12(b)** - Notices of Export Not applicable

### International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (ECL).

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Tartaric acid (d, l)	87-69-4	X	-	201-766-0	X	X	X	X	KE-10801

### U.S. Federal Regulations

<b>SARA 313</b>	Not applicable
<b>SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories</b>	See section 2 for more information
<b>CWA (Clean Water Act)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Clean Air Act</b>	Not applicable
<b>OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration</b>	Not applicable
<b>CERCLA</b>	Not applicable
<b>California Proposition 65</b>	This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.
<b>U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations</b>	Not applicable
<b>U.S. Department of Transportation</b>	
Reportable Quantity (RQ):	N
DOT Marine Pollutant	N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N
<b>U.S. Department of Homeland Security</b>	This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

### Other International Regulations

<b>Mexico - Grade</b>	Slight risk, Grade 1
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## 16. Other information

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**End of SDS**