

SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Product identifier

Product form : Mixture
 Trade name : COBALT STANDARD SOLUTION (0.5N HNO₃)
 UN-No. (ADR) : 3264
 Product code : 203061x, 203134x

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Recommended uses and restrictions : For laboratory use only

1.3. Supplier's details

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1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : +27 11 452 1116

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to the United Nations GHS

Oxidising Liquids, Category 2	H272
Skin corrosion/irritation, Category 2	H315
Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Category 1	H318
Respiratory sensitisation, Category 1	H334
Skin sensitisation, Category 1	H317
Germ cell mutagenicity, Category 2	H341
Hazardous to the aquatic environment — Acute Hazard, Category 2	H401
Hazardous to the aquatic environment — Chronic Hazard, Category 2	H411

Full text of H statements : see section 16

2.2. Label elements

Labelling according to the United Nations GHS

Hazard pictograms (GHS-ZA) :



Signal word (GHS-ZA) : Danger

Hazardous ingredients : cobalt dinitrate; nitric acid

Hazard statements (GHS-ZA) : H272 - May intensify fire; oxidiser.
 H315 - Causes skin irritation.
 H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction.
 H318 - Causes serious eye damage.
 H334 - May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.
 H341 - Suspected of causing genetic defects.
 H411 - Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statements (GHS-ZA) : P201 - Obtain special instructions before use.
 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.
 P220 - Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.
 P261 - Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
 P264 - Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling.
 P272 - Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
 P273 - Avoid release to the environment.
 P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
 P284 - [In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection.

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P302+P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.
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.
P308+P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor.
P321 - Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instruction on this label).
P332+P313 - If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P333+P313 - If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P342+P311 - If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor.
P362+P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P370+P378 - In case of fire: Use media other than water to extinguish.
P391 - Collect spillage.
P405 - Store locked up.
P501 - Dispose of contents/container to hazardous or special waste collection point, in accordance with local, regional, national and/or international regulation.

2.3. Other hazards

Adverse physicochemical, human health and environmental effects : May intensify fire; oxidiser, Causes skin irritation, May cause an allergic skin reaction, Causes serious eye damage, May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled, Harmful to aquatic life, Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects, Suspected of causing genetic defects, Toxic to aquatic life, Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substances

Not applicable

3.2. Mixtures

Name	Product identifier	%	Classification according to the United Nations GHS
water	(CAS-No.) 7732-18-5	≥ 93	Not classified
cobalt dinitrate	(CAS-No.) 10141-05-6	≤ 3.5	Resp. Sens. 1, H334 Skin Sens. 1, H317 Muta. 2, H341 Aquatic Acute 1, H400 Aquatic Chronic 1, H410
nitric acid	(CAS-No.) 7697-37-2	≤ 3.5	Ox. Liq. 2, H272 Skin Corr. 1, H314

Full text of H-statements: see section 16

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures general : IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. Call a poison center or a doctor if you feel unwell.
First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a poison center or a doctor.
First-aid measures after skin contact : Wash skin with plenty of water. Take off contaminated clothing. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
First-aid measures after eye contact : Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Call a physician immediately.
First-aid measures after ingestion : Call a poison center or a doctor if you feel unwell.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms/effects after inhalation : May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.
Symptoms/effects after skin contact : Irritation. May cause an allergic skin reaction.
Symptoms/effects after eye contact : Serious damage to eyes.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray. Dry powder. Foam. Carbon dioxide.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Fire hazard : May intensify fire; oxidiser.
Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire : Toxic fumes may be released.

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5.3. Advice for firefighters

Protection during firefighting : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. Self-contained breathing apparatus. Complete protective clothing.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

No additional information available

6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

Emergency procedures : Ventilate spillage area. No open flames, no sparks, and no smoking. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

6.1.2. For emergency responders

Protective equipment : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".

6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

For containment : Collect spillage.

Methods for cleaning up : Take up liquid spill into absorbent material. Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters.

Other information : Dispose of materials or solid residues at an authorized site.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling : Ensure good ventilation of the work station. Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

Hygiene measures : Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions : Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. Store locked up.

Incompatible materials : combustible materials.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

nitric acid (7697-37-2)	
South Africa - Occupational Exposure Limits (Recommended Limits)	
Local name	Nitric acid
OEL TWA (mg/m ³)	5 mg/m ³
OEL TWA (ppm)	2 ppm
OEL STEL (mg/m ³)	10 mg/m ³
OEL STEL (ppm)	4 ppm
Regulatory reference	Government Notice. R: 1179

8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls : Ensure good ventilation of the work station.

Environmental exposure controls : Avoid release to the environment.

8.3. Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

Hand protection : Protective gloves

Eye protection : Safety glasses

Skin and body protection : Wear suitable protective clothing

Respiratory protection : [In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection.

Personal protective equipment symbol(s):

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8.4. Exposure limit values for the other components

No additional information available

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	: Liquid
Appearance	: Translucent.
Colour	: pink.
Odour	: No data available
Odour threshold	: No data available
pH	: No data available
pH solution	: No data available
Relative evaporation rate (butylacetate=1)	: No data available
Relative evaporation rate (ether=1)	: No data available
Melting point	: Not applicable
Freezing point	: No data available
Boiling point	: No data available
Flash point	: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	: No data available
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: Not applicable
Vapour pressure	: No data available
Vapour pressure at 50 °C	: No data available
Relative vapour density at 20 °C	: No data available
Relative density	: No data available
Relative density of saturated gas/air mixture	: No data available
Density	: No data available
Relative gas density	: No data available
Solubility	: Miscible with water.
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	: No data available
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Kow)	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Explosive properties	: No data available
Oxidising properties	: No data available
Explosive limits	: No data available
Lower explosive limit (LEL)	: No data available
Upper explosive limit (UEL)	: No data available

9.2. Other information

No additional information available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

May intensify fire; oxidiser.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reactions known under normal conditions of use.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid contact with hot surfaces. Heat. No flames, no sparks. Eliminate all sources of ignition.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Combustible materials.

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10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (oral)	: Not classified
Acute toxicity (dermal)	: Not classified
Acute toxicity (inhalation)	: Not classified
Skin corrosion/irritation	: Causes skin irritation.
Serious eye damage/irritation	: Causes serious eye damage.
Respiratory or skin sensitisation	: May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. May cause an allergic skin reaction.
Germ cell mutagenicity	: Suspected of causing genetic defects.
Carcinogenicity	: Not classified
Reproductive toxicity	: Not classified
STOT-single exposure	: Not classified
STOT-repeated exposure	: Not classified
Aspiration hazard	: Not classified

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general	: Harmful to aquatic life. Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects. Toxic to aquatic life. Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, short-term (acute)	: Toxic to aquatic life.
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term (chronic)	: Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

12.2. Persistence and degradability

COBALT STANDARD SOLUTION (0.5N HNO3)	
Persistence and degradability	No additional information available
nitric acid (7697-37-2)	
Persistence and degradability	Biodegradability: not applicable.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

COBALT STANDARD SOLUTION (0.5N HNO3)	
Bioaccumulative potential	No additional information available
nitric acid (7697-37-2)	
Bioaccumulative potential	Not bioaccumulative.

12.4. Mobility in soil

COBALT STANDARD SOLUTION (0.5N HNO3)	
Mobility in soil	No additional information available
nitric acid (7697-37-2)	
Ecology - soil	No (test)data on mobility of the components available.

12.5. Other adverse effects

Ozone	: Not classified
Other adverse effects	: No additional information available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Disposal methods

Waste treatment methods	: Dispose of contents/container in accordance with licensed collector's sorting instructions.
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SECTION 14: Transport information







In accordance with SANS / IMDG / IATA

SANS	IMDG	IATA
14.1. UN number		
3264	3264	3264

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SANS	IMDG	IATA
14.2. Proper Shipping Name		
CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S.	CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S.	Corrosive liquid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s.
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)		
8	8	8
 	 	  Not applicable
14.4. Packing group		
III	III	III
14.5. Environmental hazards		
Dangerous for the environment : Yes	Dangerous for the environment : No :	Dangerous for the environment : No
No supplementary information available		

14.6. Special precautions for user

- SANS

Special provisions (SANS)	: 223, 274
Limited quantities (SANS)	: 5 L
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Packagings, large packagings and IBCs	: P001, IBC03, LP01
Packing instructions (SANS)	
Portable tank and bulk containers instructions (SANS)	: T7
Portable tank and bulk container special provisions (SANS)	: TP1, TP28

- IMDG

Special provisions (IMDG)	: 223, 274
Limited quantities (IMDG)	: 5 L
Excepted quantities (IMDG)	: E1
Packing instructions (IMDG)	: P001, LP01
IBC packing instructions (IMDG)	: IBC03
Tank instructions (IMDG)	: T7
Tank special provisions (IMDG)	: TP1, TP28
EmS-No. (Fire)	: F-A - FIRE SCHEDULE Alfa - GENERAL FIRE SCHEDULE
EmS-No. (Spillage)	: S-B - SPILLAGE SCHEDULE Bravo - CORROSIVE SUBSTANCES
Stowage category (IMDG)	: A
Properties and observations (IMDG)	: Causes burns to skin, eyes and mucous membranes.

- IATA

PCA Excepted quantities (IATA)	: E1
PCA Limited quantities (IATA)	: Y841
PCA limited quantity max net quantity (IATA)	: 1L
PCA packing instructions (IATA)	: 852
PCA max net quantity (IATA)	: 5L
CAO packing instructions (IATA)	: 856
CAO max net quantity (IATA)	: 60L
Special provisions (IATA)	: A3, A803
ERG code (IATA)	: 8L

14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. Safety, health, and environmental national regulations specific for the product

Regulatory reference	: SANS 10234:2008; SANS 11014:2010; SANS 10228:2012; SANS 10229:2010; SANS 10232(1,2,4), SANS 10231:2018; Occupational Health and Safety Act 85 of 1993; National Road Traffic Act 93 of 1996.
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SECTION 16: Other information

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Full text of H-statements:

H272	May intensify fire; oxidiser.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H334	May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.
H341	Suspected of causing genetic defects.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.
H401	Toxic to aquatic life
H410	Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
H411	Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

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