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## SAFETY DATA SHEET

### SECTION 1

### PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Trade Name: **FLUOROSILICIC ACID**  
Chemical Name: Silicate(2-), hexafluoro-,dihydrogen  
CAS Number: 16961-83-4  
Chemical Family: Inorganic Fluorides  
Synonyms: Hydrofluosilicic Acid, Fluosilicic Acid, Hexafluosilicic Acid, HFS, FSA  
Primary Use: Industrial Chemical, Water treatment  
Company Information: THE MOSAIC COMPANY  
3033 Campus Drive  
Plymouth, MN 55441  
www.mosaicco.com  
(800) 918-8270 or (763) 577-2700 8 AM to 5 PM Central Time US  
Emergency Phone: 24 Hour Emergency Telephone Number:  
**For Chemical Emergencies:** Spill, Leak, Fire or Accident  
Call CHEMTREC North America: (800) 424-9300 CCN 201871  
Others: (703) 527-3887 (collect)

### SECTION 2

### HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

#### GHS Classification

Acute Tox Category 4 (Oral) Hazard Statement H302  
Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Category 1B Hazard Statement H314  
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation: Category 1 Hazard Statement H318



**Signal Word: DANGER**

#### Hazard Statement(s)

H302 Harmful if swallowed  
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
H318 Causes serious eye damage

#### Label Elements:

Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention:

P260 Do not breath fumes/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing / Wear eye protection/face protection  
P284 In case of inadequate ventilation/ wear respiratory protection



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<b>Response:</b>	P301+ P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a Poison Center/Doctor if you feel unwell.
	P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth, Do NOT induce vomiting.
	P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes; Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
	P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.
	P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
	P310	Immediately call a doctor
	P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
	P390	Absorb Spillage to prevent material damage.
<b>Storage:</b>	P405	Store locked up
<b>Disposal:</b>	P501	Disposal of content/containers to be in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.

### SECTION 3 COMPOSITION INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Formula:	H <sub>2</sub> SiF <sub>6</sub>		
	Hazardous Component	CAS Number	Percentage
Composition:	Hydrofluosilicic Acid	16961-83-4	23-25%

### SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES

First Aid Procedures: Eyes: Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately.

Skin: If on skin, promptly wash the contaminated area with soap and plenty of water. Immediately flush with plenty of water. Discard clothes if contaminated. Get medical attention if irritation occurs

Inhalation: Move to fresh air. Administer oxygen. Treat symptomatically. Get medical attention promptly. Observe for possible delayed reaction.

Ingestion: Do Not induce vomiting. Give large quantities of milk or water to patient if conscious. Seek medical attention promptly.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed: Refer to Section 11 – Toxicological Information

Note to Physician: None

### SECTION 5 FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Media: Suitable extinguishing media:

Small fires: Use water spray, dry chemical or carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

Large fires: Use water spray, foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

Move containers from fire area if you can do it without risk. Do not get water inside containers. Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out.

Unsuitable extinguishing media: None known



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Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards

Flash Point: Not Applicable  
Flammable OSHA Flammability Class: Not applicable  
Properties LEL/UEL: Not Applicable  
Auto-Ignition Temperature: Not Applicable.

Protection of Fire-fighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus with full protective clothing.  
Fluorosilicic Acid is a non-combustible; substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive and/or toxic fumes.

## SECTION 6

## ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Advice for non-emergency personnel:

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Keep away from incompatible materials.

Advice for emergency responders:

Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection. Use recommended respiratory protection. Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Absorb or cover with dry earth, sand or other non-combustible material and transfer to containers. Ventilate area.

Environmental Precautions:

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product get into drains; do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

Response Techniques:

Pick up mechanically. Use neutralizing agent. Absorb with liquid-binding material (dry earth, sand, vermiculite, acid binders). Ensure adequate ventilation. Dispose spilled/contaminated material as described in Section 13 "Disposal Considerations".

## SECTION 7

## HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling:

Use only in well-ventilated areas. Use only equipment and materials which are compatible with the product. Preferably transfer by pump or gravity. Keep away from incompatible products. For precautions see Section 2.

Storage:

Do not use packing made of metal. Store only in the original container. Do not store together with strong bases or very alkaline substances. Do not store together with substances which can be oxidized. Do not store together with flammable substances/solutions. Do not store near sources of heat or ignition, or reactive materials. Must be stored in a room with spill collection facilities. Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place and away from heat. Keep in a contained area. Keep away from Incompatible products.

## SECTION 8

## EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Controls:

Assure that ventilation is adequate to control airborne levels.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

Eye/Face: Splash proof goggles and full-face shield should be worn at all times.

Skin: Acid proof gloves, headgear, protective shoes and clothing should be worn to prevent contact.

Respiratory: Wear NIOSH approved respiratory protective equipment when vapor or mists may exceed applicable concentration limits.

Other: Facilities utilizing or storing this material should be equipped with an eyewash station and a safety shower.

General Hygiene Considerations:

Avoid breathing fumes. Avoid ingestion. Wash thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes or skin Use with adequate ventilation



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Exposure Guidelines: OSHA Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL): 2.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> as Fluoride  
ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TLV): 2.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> as Fluoride

## SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Note: Unless otherwise stated, values in this section are determined at 20°C (68°F) and 760 mm Hg (1 atm).

### Material Description

Appearance/Description: Colorless to amber liquid with a pungent odor  
Color: Colorless to amber  
Physical State: Liquid  
Odor: Pungent  
Odor Threshold: Not data available.

### General Properties

Boiling Point: 105°C (221°F) @ 23%-25%  
Freezing/Melting Point: -18° to -20°C (-1° to -4°F)  
Thermal Decomposition: >105°C (>221°F) @ 23%-25%  
pH (1 % Solution): 1.2  
Specific Gravity: 1.2. Water = 1  
Bulk Density: 10.2 lb./gallon  
Solubility in water: 100% soluble in water  
Viscosity: 6.5 cps  
Molecular Weight of Pure Material: 144.11 g/mol

### Volatility

Volatility: No data available.  
Vapor Pressure (mm Hg): 22.5 @ 25°C (77°F)  
Vapor Density (air = 1): No data available.  
Evaporation Rate: No data available.

### Flammability

Flash Point: Not applicable.  
Flammability/Explosive Limits (%): Not applicable.  
Auto-ignition Temperature: Not applicable.

### Environmental

Octanol/Water Partition Coefficient: No data available.



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## SECTION 10

## STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	No data available
Chemical Stability:	Stable under recommended conditions of storage, handling and proper use.
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Corrosive in contact with metals, It may give off hydrogen gas by reaction with metals.
Conditions to Avoid:	Avoid thermal decomposition, do not overheat.
Incompatible Materials:	Bases, acids, strong oxidizing agents, metals, stoneware and glass.
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	Extreme temperatures such as a fire cause formation of highly toxic and corrosive fumes of fluorides such as SiF <sub>4</sub> and HF.
Hazardous Polymerization:	Will not occur.
Corrosiveness:	Attacks silica bearing materials, metals, and stoneware

## SECTION 11

## TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### GHS Properties

### Classification

Acute Toxicity:	Oral 4: ATE <sub>mx</sub> (oral) = 1,720 mg/Kg	Oral : LD <sub>50</sub> (oral, rat) 430 mg/kg
	Inhalation: No data available.	
	Dermal: No data available	
Aspiration Hazard	No data available.	
Carcinogenicity:	No data available.	
Germ Cell Mutagenesis	No data available.	
Skin Corrosion Irritation	Causes severe skin burns and eye irritation. Acid with extreme pH ≤ 2.	
Serious eye damage/irritation	Causes serious eye damage. Acid with extreme pH ≤ 2.	
Skin sensitization	No data available.	
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure:	No data available.	
Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure	No data available.	
Reproductive Toxicity	No data available.	
Respiratory Sensitization	No data available.	
Additional information:	The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) VV8225000	



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**Potential Health Effects**

**Eye** Acute (immediate): Causes serious eye damage.  
 Chronic (Delayed): Repeated or prolonged exposure to corrosive materials may cause conjunctivitis.

**Skin** Acute (immediate): Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
 Chronic (Delayed): Repeated or prolonged exposure to corrosive materials will cause dermatitis.

**Inhalation** Acute (immediate): May cause corrosive burns  
 Chronic (Delayed): Repeated or prolonged exposure to corrosive fume may cause bronchial irritation with chronic cough.

**Ingestion** Acute (immediate): Harmful if swallowed.  
 Chronic (Delayed): Repeated or prolonged exposure to corrosive materials or fumes may cause gastrointestinal disturbances.

**SECTION 12**

**ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Toxicity** No data available.

**Persistence and degradability** Not relevant. (Inorganic substance).

**Bio accumulative potential** Log Pow: Not applicable      Log Kow: Not applicable      Bio accumulative potential low

**Mobility in soil** No data available.

**Results of PBT and vPvB assessment** PBT /vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted.

**Other adverse effects** No data available.

**SECTION 13**

**DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Recover or recycle if possible. Keep material in a closed DOT- approved container pending disposal in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Disposal should be in accordance with applicable, regional, national, and local laws and regulations.

It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical properties of the material generated to determine the proper waste disposal and disposal methods in accordance with applicable regulations.

**SECTION 14**

**TRANSPORT INFO**

Regulatory Status:	USDOT	Canada TDG	IATA	IMO/IMDG
Proper Shipping Name:	Fluorosilicic Acid	Fluorosilicic Acid	Fluorosilicic Acid	Fluorosilicic Acid
Hazard Class:	Class 8 (Corrosive)	8	8	8
Packing Group	II	II	II	II
Identification Number:	UN 1778	UN 1778	UN 1778	UN 1778
Emergency Guide No.	154	154	8L	EMS-No: F-A, S-B
US DOT	Poison Inhalation Hazard: No		Marine Pollutant: No	Reportable Quantity: No



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## SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION

CERCLA: Not Regulated. Product is not listed with an RQ (Reportable Quantity)

RCRA 261.33: Not Regulated

SARA TITLE III: Section 302/304: Not Regulated Reportable Quantity: No TPQ: No  
Section 311/312: Acute: Yes Chronic: Yes Fire: No Pressure: No Reactivity: No  
Section 313: Not Regulated

TSCA: Listed on TSCA Inventory

Canada DSL: Yes NDSL: No

WHMIS 1988: Fluorosilicic Acid is listed as Class E (Corrosive) and D1B (Toxic material). This SDS has been prepared according to the hazard criteria of the Controlled Product Regulations (CPR) and the SDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

CA Proposition 65: (Health & Safety Code Section 25249.5) Not listed

## SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA Health: 3 Flammability: 0 Instability: 1 Special Hazard: None

HMIS Health: 3 Flammability: 0 Physical Hazard: 0 PPE: Determined by user.  
See Section 8

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References: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) – 4<sup>th</sup> Edition 2011  
OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 2012