

Accurate Energetic Systems, LLC

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

COMPOSITION HBX-3

MSDS NO. 1001.029

HAZARD RATING: **Health - 2** **Flammability - 3** **Reactivity - 4** **Special - High Explosive**

SECTION I - MANUFACTURE'S INFORMATION

Manufacture/Distributor Name: Accurate Energetic Systems, LLC
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SECTION II - CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

Component	CAS #	%	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV	Other Limits
RDX (cyclotrimethylene trinitramine; hexogen; cyclonite)	121-82-4	31.3% +/- 3.0%	n/a	0.5 mg/m ³ TWA skin	1.5 mg/m ³ NIOSH TWA 3.0 mg/m ³ STEL; skin
TNT (trinitrotoluene; trinitrotoluol; tolite)	118-96-7	29.0% +/- 3.0%	1.5 mg/m ³ skin	0.1 mg/m ³ TWA skin	0.5 mg/m ³ NIOSH TWA skin IDLH - 500 mg/m ³
Aluminum, metal dust	7429-90-5	34.8% +/- 3.0%	15 mg/m ³ (total dust) 5 mg/m ³ (resp. fract)	5 mg/m ³ TWA	5 mg/m ³ NIOSH TWA
D-2 Wax (composition of desensitizing wax, lecithin, and nitrocellulose)		4.9% +/- 1.0%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Calcium Chloride		0.5% +/- 0.1%	n/a	n/a	n/a

NOTE: Hazard Class 1, Division 1; SCG "D"

NOTE: Materials in this product are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA, Title III, Section 313 as follows:
Aluminum

SECTION III - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL DATA

Boiling Point: 464⁰F (TNT explodes)
Specific Gravity: 1.84 - 1.85 (cast)
Melting Point: RDX - 190⁰-200⁰C; TNT - 79⁰-80⁰C
Vapor Pressure (mm Hg): not established
Vapor Density (Air = 1): n/a
Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1): n/a
Solubility In Water: 0.01% @ 68⁰F (TNT)
Appearance And Odor: Gray solid with slight characteristic odor

SECTION IV - FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS

Flash Point: n/a

Flammable Limits: LEL n/a UEL n/a

Extinguishing Media: Deluge of dry powder extinguishing agent approved for Class D fires. DO NOT USE WATER!

Special Fire Fighting Procedures:

Do not attempt to fight fires involving high explosives. Isolate area and immediately evacuate all personnel from the area to a safe distance using as much protective cover as possible.

Unusual Fire And Explosion Hazards:

HIGH EXPLOSIVE!! Burning of large quantities of high explosives may transition from deflagration to detonation with extremely violent results. Aluminum reacts with water to form combustible hydrogen gas.

SECTION V - REACTIVITY/COMPATIBILITY DATA

Stability:

Stable under normal conditions. Avoid subjecting to heat, sparks, impact, friction, and electrostatic discharge. Aluminum reacts with water, acids, and alkalis to form combustible hydrogen gas.

Incompatibility (materials to avoid):

Alkalis, alkoxides, and ammonia react with TNT to form dangerously sensitive compounds. Avoid contact with potassium hydroxide, sodium carbonate, sodium sulfide, and potassium methylate. Avoid alkalis, acids, strong oxidizers, ammonia, reducing agents, initiating explosives, and physical sensitizers such as glass, sand, and metal fragments. When subjected to a water content greater than 0.2%, the explosive composition has a tendency to become more sensitive due to the aluminum forming combustible hydrogen gas.

Hazardous Decomposition Products:

During decomposition, emits toxic oxides of nitrogen. Aluminum reacts with water, acids, and alkalis to form combustible hydrogen gas.

Hazardous Polymerization:

Will not occur

SECTION VI - HEALTH HAZARD DATA

Routes Of Entry:

Eye? Yes

Inhalation? Yes

Skin? Yes

Ingestion? Yes

Effects Of Over-Exposure:

Acute - Slight to serious effects

Chronic - Not fully known

Signs And Symptoms Of Exposure:

Can cause allergic skin reaction and irritation to mucous membranes. Excessive exposure may cause convulsions, unconsciousness. Inhalation and ingestion can result in systemic poisoning, usually affecting the bone marrow and the liver. Excessive exposure to TNT can cause liver damage; jaundice; cyanosis; sneezing; coughing and sore throat; peripheral neuropathy; muscular pain; kidney damage; cataracts; leukocytosis (increased blood leukocytes); cardiac irregularities; anorexia; nausea and vomiting; blood damage; and aplastic anemia. TNT can be absorbed through skin. Skin, hair, and nails may be stained yellow. Avoid inhalation and ingestion of dust, fumes, mist, or vapors.

Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated By Exposure:

Cardiovascular diseases and liver, blood, and kidney disorders. Personnel should be in generally good health

SECTION VI - HEALTH HAZARD DATA (cont.)

Emergency First Aid Procedures:

- Eye -** Flush with water for 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses prior to flushing, if applicable. Get medical attention.
- Inhalation -** Remove to fresh air. Give oxygen if necessary. Get medical attention.
- Skin -** Wash with soap and warm water. Get medical attention for rash or irritation.
- Ingestion -** If conscious, drink large quantities of water and induce vomiting immediately. Contact a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.
- Other -** n/a

Carcinogenicity:

NTP? Not listed

IARC Monographs? Not listed

OSHA Regulated? Not listed

NOTE: Per EPA-C: cyclonite and trinitrotoluene - possible human carcinogen

SECTION VII - PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING AND USE

Steps To Follow If Material Is Spilled Or Released:

Never employ water. Remove all sources of ignition. Avoid any and all situations which could initiate the material, such as friction, impact, heat, sparks, or electrostatic discharge. Gently sweep up spill with a soft bristle brush and a non-sparking pan or shovel. Place material in a properly labeled storage container and store in an approved storage magazine for further disposition. If material becomes wet, place material in vented container and move container to remote area.

Waste Disposal Method:

Dispose of in accordance with applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

Precautions To Be Taken In Handling And Storage:

Handle with care. Store only in authorized High Explosives magazine with compatible material and away from all sources of ignition and flammable materials. Do not store with Initiating (Primary) explosives.

Other Precautions:

Keep material dry at all times. Material should remain in original shipping container or equivalent for storage purposes.

SECTION VIII - PERSONAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

Respirator Protection (Specify Type):

Dust mask is recommended when handling dry material. Recommend NIOSH approved respirator with cartridges for mists and fumes for concentrations up to 5 mg/m³.

Ventilation:

Local Exhaust - Recommended to maintain exposures below applicable exposure limits.

Mechanical (General) - General ventilation necessary.

Special - Dust collection systems required if hoods are utilized.

Other - n/a

Protective Gloves:

Impervious gloves are recommended.

Eye Protection:

Safety glasses or goggles that meet or exceed ANSI Z87.1 (latest revision)

Other Protective Clothing Or Equipment:

Cotton clothing (including undergarments); cotton coveralls or lab coat; conductive-soled footwear

Work/Hygienic Practices:

Wash hands thoroughly after handling; daily clothing change; daily shower; no eating or drinking in exposed locations

SECTION IX - SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

Precautions To Be Taken:

CAUTION: High explosives are extremely dangerous. Only highly trained and qualified personnel should utilize this material. Explosives must be tested for compatibility with any materials which they contact. Clean up any spills of material immediately. Proper housekeeping techniques must be maintained to minimize the accumulation of explosive dust. Follow all safety regulations and precautions when handling, storing, or processing explosive material.

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