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## Charcoal Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### Charcoal

Signal Word  
**WARNING**

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Chemtrec Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-9603

Pictograms

### SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Eye irritation (Category 2B). Causes eye irritation (H320).

Hazard class: Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure; respiratory tract irritation (Category 3). May cause respiratory irritation (H335). Avoid breathing dust or fumes (P261).



### SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Charcoal	7440-40-0	C	12.01	
Synonyms: Activated carbon				

### SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell (P312).

**If inhaled:** Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing (P304+P340).

**If in eyes:** Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so.

Continue rinsing (P305+P351+P338). **If eye irritation persists eyes:** Get medical advice or attention (P337+P313).

**If on skin:** Wash with plenty of water.

**If swallowed:** Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

### SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable solid as a dust.

Autoignition Temperature: 450 °C

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

NFPA Code  
None established

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**SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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Remove all ignition sources and water. Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

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**SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

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Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #4. Store with hydroxides, oxides, silicates and carbonates. Store in Flinn Chem-Saf™ bag, in a Flinn Saf-Stor™ can. Store in a cool, dry place. Keep container tightly closed (P233). Use only in a hood or well-ventilated area (P271).

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**SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION**

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Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection (P280). Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Use only in a hood or well-ventilated area (P271).

Exposure Guidelines: (as carbon black) PEL 3.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (OSHA); TLV (inhalable fraction) 3 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (ACGIH)

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**SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

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Black powder, granule, or lump. Odorless.

Boiling point: 4200 °C

Soluble: Insoluble in water.

Specific gravity: 1.821-2.1

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**SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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Avoid heat, flame, and oxidizing agents.

Shelf life: Good, if kept dry and stored properly.

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**SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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Acute effects: Eye and respiratory tract irritant.

ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: 10,000 mg/kg

Chronic effects: N.A.

IHL-RAT LC<sub>50</sub>: 64.4 mg/L

Target organs: Eyes and respiratory tract.

SKN-RBT LD<sub>50</sub>: N.A.

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**SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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Data not yet available.

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**SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #26a is one option.

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**SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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Shipping name: Charcoal. Hazard class: 4.2, Spontaneously combustible. UN number: NA1361.

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**SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (231-153-3).

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**SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

N/A = Not applicable

**Consult your copy of the Flinn Science Catalog/Reference Manual for additional information about laboratory chemicals.**

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