

# Material Safety Data Sheet

The Dow Chemical Company

Product Name: SYLTHERM HF# HEAT TRANSFER FLUID

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The Dow Chemical Company encourages and expects you to read and understand the entire (M)SDS, as there is important information throughout the document. We expect you to follow the precautions identified in this document unless your use conditions would necessitate other appropriate methods or actions.

## 1. Product and Company Identification

#### Product Name

SYLTHERM HF# HEAT TRANSFER FLUID

#### COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

The Dow Chemical Company 2030 Willard H. Dow Center Midland, MI 48674 USA

Customer Information Number:

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## EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER

24-Hour Emergency Contact: Local Emergency Contact: 989-636-4400 989-636-4400

## 2. Hazards Identification

## Emergency Overview

Color: Clear Physical State: Liquid. Odor: Odorless to mild Hazards of product:

CAUTION! Combustible liquid and vapor. May be harmful if inhaled. Isolate area. Keep upwind of spill.

#### **OSHA Hazard Communication Standard**

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

#### **Potential Health Effects**

**Eye Contact:** May cause slight temporary eye irritation. Corneal injury is unlikely. May cause mild eye discomfort.

**Skin Contact:** Prolonged contact is essentially nonirritating to skin. Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause defatting of the skin leading to drying or flaking of skin.

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**Skin Absorption:** Prolonged skin contact is unlikely to result in absorption of harmful amounts. **Inhalation:** Prolonged excessive exposure may cause adverse effects. Signs and symptoms of excessive exposure may include: May cause dizziness and drowsiness.

**Ingestion:** Very low toxicity if swallowed. Harmful effects not anticipated from swallowing small amounts.

**Aspiration hazard:** Aspiration into the lungs may occur during ingestion or vomiting, causing lung damage or even death due to chemical pneumonia.

## **3.** Composition Information

Component	CAS #	Amount
Decamethyltetrasiloxane	141-62-8	39.0 %
Dodecamethylpentasiloxane	141-63-9	30.0 %
Polydimethylsiloxane	63148-62-9	26.0 %
Octamethyltrisiloxane	107-51-7	5.0 %
Octamethyl Cyclotetrasiloxane	556-67-2	>= 0.1 - <= 1.0 %

## 4. First-aid measures

**Eye Contact:** Flush eyes thoroughly with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses after the initial 1-2 minutes and continue flushing for several additional minutes. If effects occur, consult a physician, preferably an ophthalmologist.

Skin Contact: Wash skin with plenty of water.

**Inhalation:** Move person to fresh air; if effects occur, consult a physician.

**Ingestion:** Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician and/or transport to emergency facility immediately. **Notes to Physician:** The decision of whether to induce vomiting or not should be made by a physician. If lavage is performed, suggest endotracheal and/or esophageal control. Danger from lung aspiration must be weighed against toxicity when considering emptying the stomach. No specific antidote. Treatment of exposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient.

**Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure:** Skin contact may aggravate preexisting dermatitis. **Emergency Personnel Protection:** First Aid responders should pay attention to self-protection and use the recommended protective clothing (chemical resistant gloves, splash protection). If potential for exposure exists refer to Section 8 for specific personal protective equipment.

## 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Extinguishing Media:** Water fog or fine spray. Dry chemical fire extinguishers. Carbon dioxide fire extinguishers. Foam. General purpose synthetic foams (including AFFF type) or protein foams are preferred if available. Alcohol resistant foams (ATC type) may function.

**Fire Fighting Procedures:** Keep people away. Isolate fire and deny unnecessary entry. Do not use direct water stream. May spread fire. Burning liquids may be moved by flushing with water to protect personnel and minimize property damage. Avoid accumulation of water. Product may be carried across water surface spreading fire or contacting an ignition source.

**Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters:** Wear positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and protective fire fighting clothing (includes fire fighting helmet, coat, trousers, boots, and gloves). If protective equipment is not available or not used, fight fire from a protected location or safe distance.

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Violent steam generation or eruption may occur upon application of direct water stream to hot liquids. Liquid mist of this product can burn. Flammable concentrations of vapor can accumulate at temperatures above flash point; see Section 9.

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** During a fire, smoke may contain the original material in addition to combustion products of varying composition which may be toxic and/or irritating. Combustion products may include and are not limited to: Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide.

## 6. Accidental Release Measures

Steps to be Taken if Material is Released or Spilled: Small spills: Absorb with materials such as: Non-combustible material. Collect in suitable and properly labeled containers. Large spills: Dike area to contain spill. Use non-sparking tools in cleanup operations. Vapor explosion hazard. Keep out of sewers. Eliminate all sources of ignition in vicinity of spill or released vapor to avoid fire or explosion. Material will float on water. Pump with explosion-proof equipment. If available, use foam to smother or suppress. See Section 13, Disposal Considerations, for additional information.
Personal Precautions: Vapor explosion hazard. Keep out of sewers. Isolate area. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering the area. Keep upwind of spill. Ventilate area of leak or spill. No smoking in area. Eliminate all sources of ignition in vicinity of spill or released vapor to avoid fire or explosion. Ground and bond all containers and handling equipment. Refer to Section 7, Handling, for additional precautionary measures. Use appropriate safety equipment. For additional information, refer to Section 8, Exposure Controls and Personal Protection.
Environmental Precautions: Prevent from entering into soil, ditches, sewers, waterways and/or groundwater. See Section 12, Ecological Information.

## 7. Handling and Storage

#### Handling

**General Handling:** Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Containers, even those that have been emptied, can contain vapors. Do not cut, drill, grind, weld, or perform similar operations on or near empty containers. Avoid breathing vapor. Wash thoroughly after handling. Keep container closed. Use only with adequate ventilation. Spills of these organic materials on hot fibrous insulations may lead to lowering of the autoignition temperatures possibly resulting in spontaneous combustion. See Section 8, EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION.

#### Storage

Do not store in: Opened or unlabeled containers. Store in tightly closed container. Use only with adequate ventilation. Minimize sources of ignition, such as static build-up, heat, spark or flame. See Section 10 for more specific information. Use of non-sparking or explosion-proof equipment may be necessary, depending upon the type of operation. No smoking, open flames or sources of ignition in handling and storage area. Additional storage and handling information on this product may be obtained by calling your sales or customer service contact.

## 8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

#### **Exposure Limits**

None established

#### **Personal Protection**

**Eye/Face Protection:** Use safety glasses (with side shields). **Skin Protection:** Wear clean, body-covering clothing.

**Hand protection:** Use gloves chemically resistant to this material when prolonged or frequently repeated contact could occur. Examples of preferred glove barrier materials include: Viton. Polyethylene. Neoprene. Chlorinated polyethylene. Nitrile/butadiene rubber ("nitrile" or "NBR"). Polyvinyl alcohol ("PVA"). Ethyl vinyl alcohol laminate ("EVAL"). Examples of acceptable glove barrier materials include: Butyl rubber. Polyvinyl chloride ("PVC" or "vinyl"). NOTICE: The selection of a specific glove for a particular application and

duration of use in a workplace should also take into account all relevant workplace factors such as, but not limited to: Other chemicals which may be handled, physical requirements (cut/puncture protection, dexterity, thermal protection), potential body reactions to glove materials, as well as the instructions/specifications provided by the glove supplier.

**Respiratory Protection:** Respiratory protection should be worn when there is a potential to exceed the exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, use an approved respirator. Selection of air-purifying or positive-pressure supplied-air will depend on the specific operation and the potential airborne concentration of the material. For emergency conditions, use an approved positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus. The following should be effective types of air-purifying respirators: Organic vapor cartridge. **Ingestion:** Avoid ingestion of even very small amounts; do not consume or store food or tobacco in the work area; wash hands and face before smoking or eating.

#### **Engineering Controls**

**Ventilation:** Use engineering controls to maintain airborne level below exposure limit requirements or guidelines. If there are no applicable exposure limit requirements or guidelines, use only with adequate ventilation. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary for some operations.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State Color Odor Odor Threshold Flash Point - Closed Cup Flammability (solid, gas) Flammable Limits In Air	Liquid. Clear Odorless to mild No test data available 64.4 °C (147.9 °F) <i>Closed Cup</i> Not applicable to liquids <b>Lower</b> : 0.7 %(V) <i>Literature</i> <b>Upper</b> : 12.5 %(V) <i>Literature</i>
Autoignition Temperature	355 °C (671 °F) ASTM D2155
Vapor Pressure	<= 5 mmHg @ 25 °C Literature
Boiling Point (760 mmHg)	210 °C (410 °F) <i>Literature</i> Equilibrium Reflux Boiling Point, dry.
Vapor Density (air = 1)	Not applicable
Specific Gravity (H2O = 1)	0.87 25 °C/25 °C Literature
Freezing Point	< -82 °C (< -116 °F) <i>Literature</i>
Melting Point	Not applicable to liquids
Solubility in water (by weight)	<= 0.1 % Literature
pH J	Not applicable
Molecular Weight	361 g/mol Literature
Decomposition	No test data available
Temperature	
Partition coefficient, n-	No data available for this product. See Section 12 for individual
octanol/water (log Pow)	component data.
Evaporation Rate (Butyl	< 0.1 Estimated.
Acetate = 1)	
Kinematic Viscosity	2.11 cSt @ 20 °C Literature

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

#### Stability/Instability

Thermally stable at typical use temperatures. **Conditions to Avoid:** Product can oxidize at elevated temperatures.

Incompatible Materials: Avoid contact with: Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong oxidizers.

#### Hazardous Polymerization

Will not occur.

#### **Thermal Decomposition**

Decomposition products depend upon temperature, air supply and the presence of other materials. Decomposition products can include and are not limited to: Formaldehyde. Silicon oxides.

## 11. Toxicological Information

#### Acute Toxicity

Ingestion

Typical for this family of materials. LD50, Rat > 5,000 mg/kg

Dermal

Typical for this family of materials. LD50, Rabbit > 2,000 mg/kg

#### Inhalation

As product. The LC50 has not been determined.

#### Eye damage/eye irritation

May cause slight temporary eye irritation. Corneal injury is unlikely. May cause mild eye discomfort. **Skin corrosion/irritation** 

Prolonged contact is essentially nonirritating to skin. Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause defatting of the skin leading to drying or flaking of skin.

#### Sensitization

#### Skin

A similar material did not cause allergic skin reactions when tested in humans.

#### Respiratory

No relevant information found.

#### **Repeated Dose Toxicity**

Based on available data, repeated exposures are not anticipated to cause additional significant adverse effects.

#### **Chronic Toxicity and Carcinogenicity**

Contains component(s) which did not cause cancer in laboratory animals.

#### **Developmental Toxicity**

Contains component(s) which did not cause birth defects or any other fetal effects in lab animals.

### Reproductive Toxicity

No relevant information found.

#### Genetic Toxicology

Contains a component(s) which were negative in in vitro genetic toxicity studies. Contains component(s) which were negative in animal genetic toxicity studies.

## 12. Ecological Information

#### ENVIRONMENTAL FATE

Data for Component: Polydimethylsiloxane

#### Movement & Partitioning

No bioconcentration is expected because of the relatively high molecular weight (MW greater than 1000). Expected to be relatively immobile in soil (Koc > 5000). **Partition coefficient, n-octanol/water (log Pow):** 2.86 Estimated. **Partition coefficient, soil organic carbon/water (Koc):** > 32,000

#### Persistence and Degradability

Chemical degradation (hydrolysis) is expected in the environment.

#### ECOTOXICITY

#### Data for Component: Polydimethylsiloxane

Material is practically non-toxic to aquatic organisms on an acute basis (LC50/EC50/EL50/LL50 >100 mg/L in the most sensitive species tested). Material is practically non-toxic to birds on an acute basis (LD50 > 2000 mg/kg).

#### Fish Acute & Prolonged Toxicity

LC50, rainbow trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss), 96 h: > 10,000 mg/l Toxicity to Above Ground Organisms oral LD50, bobwhite (Colinus virginianus): > 5,000 mg/kg

## 13. Disposal Considerations

DO NOT DUMP INTO ANY SEWERS, ON THE GROUND, OR INTO ANY BODY OF WATER. All disposal practices must be in compliance with all Federal, State/Provincial and local laws and regulations. Regulations may vary in different locations. Waste characterizations and compliance with applicable laws are the responsibility solely of the waste generator. AS YOUR SUPPLIER, WE HAVE NO CONTROL OVER THE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES OR MANUFACTURING PROCESSES OF PARTIES HANDLING OR USING THIS MATERIAL. THE INFORMATION PRESENTED HERE PERTAINS ONLY TO THE PRODUCT AS SHIPPED IN ITS INTENDED CONDITION AS DESCRIBED IN MSDS SECTION: Composition Information. FOR UNUSED & UNCONTAMINATED PRODUCT, the preferred options include sending to a licensed, permitted: Recycler. Reclaimer. Incinerator or other thermal destruction device.

## 14. Transport Information

### DOT Non-Bulk

NOT REGULATED

#### **DOT Bulk**

Proper Shipping Name: COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID, N.O.S. Technical Name: POLYDIMETHYLSILOXANE Hazard Class: COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID ID Number: NA1993 Packing Group: PG III

IMDG NOT REGULATED

ICAO/IATA NOT REGULATED

This information is not intended to convey all specific regulatory or operational requirements/information relating to this product. Additional transportation system information can be obtained through an authorized sales or customer service representative. It is the responsibility of the transporting organization to follow all applicable laws, regulations and rules relating to the transportation of the material.

## 15. Regulatory Information

#### **OSHA Hazard Communication Standard**

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 Title III (Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986) Sections 311 and 312 Immediate (Acute) Health Hazard No

No

Immediate (Acute)	Health Hazard
Delayed (Chronic)	Health Hazard

Fire Hazard	Yes
Reactive Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No

# Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 Title III (Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986) Section 313

To the best of our knowledge, this product does not contain chemicals at levels which require reporting under this statute.

## Pennsylvania (Worker and Community Right-To-Know Act): Pennsylvania Hazardous Substances List and/or Pennsylvania Environmental Hazardous Substance List:

To the best of our knowledge, this product does not contain chemicals at levels which require reporting under this statute.

# Pennsylvania (Worker and Community Right-To-Know Act): Pennsylvania Special Hazardous Substances List:

To the best of our knowledge, this product does not contain chemicals at levels which require reporting under this statute.

#### California Proposition 65 (Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986)

This product contains no listed substances known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm, at levels which would require a warning under the statute.

#### **Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)**

All components of this product are on the TSCA Inventory or are exempt from TSCA Inventory requirements under 40 CFR 720.30

#### CEPA - Domestic Substances List (DSL)

All substances contained in this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL) or are not required to be listed.

16.	Other Information	

Hazard Rating System			
NFPA	Health	Fire	Reactivity
	1	2	0

#### **Recommended Uses and Restrictions**

Intended as a heat transfer fluid for closed-loop systems. For industrial use only. We recommend that you use this product in a manner consistent with the listed use. If your intended use is not consistent with the stated use, please contact your sales or technical service representative.

#### Revision

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Legena	
N/A	Not available
W/W	Weight/Weight
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit
TWA	Time Weighted Average
ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, Inc.
DOW IHG	Dow Industrial Hygiene Guideline
WEEL	Workplace Environmental Exposure Level
HAZ_DES	Hazard Designation

#### Legend

Action Level A value set by OSHA that is lower than the PEL which will trigger the need for activities such as exposure monitoring and medical surveillance if exceeded.

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