

SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION

Trade Name & Synonyms	Sulfur, Pulverized Sulfur, Rubbermakers Sulfur, Commercial Sulfur	
Chemical Name	Sulfur	
CAS Number	7704-34-9	
Family Name	Element – Sulfur	
Chemical Formula	S ₈	
Recommended Use	Rubber compounding, animal feed, various industrial applications	
Restrictions on Use	Keep away from heat sources, sparks, or open flames	
Manufacturer/Supplier	Sales, Technical Service Georgia Gulf Sulfur Corporation P. O. Box 1165 Valdosta, Georgia 31603 Tel: (229) 244-0000 Fax: (229) 245-1664 http://www.georgiagulfsulfur.com/msds.htm	Shipping, Receiving Georgia Gulf Sulfur Corporation 1300 Spring Creek Road Bainbridge, Georgia, USA 39817 Tel: (229) 246-4552 Fax: (229) 246-3245 GPS Coordinates: 30° 54' 06" N 84° 36' 30" W
Emergency Assistance	CHEMTREC Tel: (800) 424-9300 within the USA Tel: 001-703-527-3887 outside the USA	

SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

According to the US Department of Transportation, Office of Hazard Materials Standards 49 CFR, sulfur is not subject to the requirements of this subchapter if transported in a non-bulk packaging or if formed to a specific shape (for example, prills, granules, pellets, pastilles, or flakes). A bulk packaging containing sulfur is not subjected to the placarding requirements of subpart F of this part, if it is marked with the appropriate identification number as required by subset D of this part.

Label Elements

WARNING



Irritant
(Eye and Skin)



Flammable
Solid

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Hazard Statement	H228: Flammable solid H290: May be corrosive to metals. H303: May be harmful if swallowed. H316: May cause mild skin irritation. H320: May cause eye irritation. H335: May cause respiratory irritation.
Prevention Statement	P210: Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking. P220: Keep away from oxidizing agents. P424: Use non-sparking tools when available. P243: Take precautionary measures against static discharge. P261: Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. P264: Wash hands thoroughly after handling and before eating. P284: In case of inadequate ventilation, wear respiratory protection.
Response Statement	P362: Take off contaminated clothing. P363: Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. P370+P378: In case of a fire, use water fog, spray, or regular foam to extinguish. Do not use a direct water stream. P381: Eliminate all ignition sources.
Storage Statement	P402: Store in a dry place. P403: Store in a well-ventilated place. P404: Store in a closed container.

SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Characterization

Mixture

Product	Percentage Contained	CAS Number
Sulfur	>99.5%	7704-34-9

Hazardous Ingredient None

SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of First Aid Measures

Skin	Wash skin thoroughly with mild soap and water. Wash exposed clothing separately before reuse.
Eye	Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for 15 minutes, while holding upper and lower lid apart to insure rinsing of entire eye surface and lids. Do not use boric acid to rinse with. FOR SEVERE IRRITATION, SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION, preferably an ophthalmologist
Inhalation	Move victim to fresh air. Watch for signs of an allergic reaction. Use a bronchodilator inhaler if directed by asthma patient. Keep victim warm and quiet. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If heart has stopped beating, start cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION.
Ingestion	Give one tablespoon of <i>Syrup of Ipecac</i> to induce vomiting. If vomiting does occur, give fluids again. If vomiting has not occurred in twenty minutes, the same dose of <i>Syrup of Ipecac</i> may be repeated one additional time. Alternatively, vomiting may be induced by touching the back of the throat with a finger. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious or convulsing person. SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION.

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SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES (CONT)

Most Important Symptoms and Effects (Long-Term and Acute)

Refer to [Section 11: Toxicological Information](#)

Indication of any Immediate Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needs

Individuals with known allergies to sulfide drugs may also have allergic reactions to elemental sulfur

SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Water fog, spray, or regular foam. Do not use a direct water stream.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

Do not use solid streams of water, which could create sulfur dust clouds and cause an explosion or could move burning sulfur to adjacent areas.

Exposure Hazards

Prevent human exposure to smoke, fumes, or products of combustion (sulfur oxide gases). Evacuate nonessential personnel from the fire area. If large fire, evacuate people downwind from fire. Consider evacuation for ½ mile in all directions.

Advice for Firefighters

Firemen exposed to contaminated smoke should be immediately relieved and checked for symptoms of exposure of toxic gases. This should not be mistaken for heat exhaustion or smoke inhalation. Seek medical attention immediately!

Protective Equipment

Wear full-faced, self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.

Fire and Explosion Hazards

Fire will rekindle until mass is cooled below 310°F (154°C). Cool surrounding areas with water fog to prevent re-igniting. Sulfur dust is HIGHLY FLAMMABLE. If suspended in air, it will ignite by friction, static electricity, heat, sparks, or flames. Sulfur dust clouds may explode.

Combustion Products

Sulfur oxide gases

SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions

Minor spills such as torn or ruptured containers should be repaired or patched with tape if possible. Place spilled material in a disposable container. Avoid getting dust in eyes.

Protective Equipment

Maintain adequate ventilation. Wear a dust mask when dust is present or a respirator if smoke is present. Wear safety glasses.

Emergency Procedures

As an immediate precautionary measure isolate spills or leak areas. Eliminate all sources of ignition, such as flares, sparks, or flames, in the immediate area. No smoking. Ventilate closed spaces before entering.

Environmental Precautions

Do not allow runoff to enter lakes or waterways.

Containment/Cleanup Measures

Gently sweep or shovel up spilled material using a natural fiber broom and/or aluminum shovel to prevent sparking, to avoid creating a dust cloud. Place sweepings in an appropriate chemical waste container for reclaiming or disposal in an approved facility. Wash spill site after clean-up is complete.

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SECTION 7: STORAGE AND HANDLING

Precautions for Safe Handling All handling and conveying equipment should be properly grounded and bonded. Be careful not to create dust. Avoid any conditions that might tend to create a dust explosion. Maintain good housekeeping practices to minimize dust build-up and dispersion. Eliminate sources of ignition. Keep away from heat, sparks, and flames. Use nonferrous tools, when available, to reduce sparking. Gently sweep or shovel up spilled materials using a natural fiber broom and/or aluminum shovel to prevent sparking. Maintain adequate ventilation in all areas.

Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities:

Containers should be stored in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area. Keep container tightly closed. Store away from flammable materials, sources of heat, flames, and sparks. Separate from chlorates, nitrates, and other oxidizing agents. Exercise due caution to prevent damage to or leakage from container.

Incompatible Materials

Keep away from flammable materials, sources of heat, flame, sparks, chlorates, nitrates and other oxidizing agents.

SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Measures/Controls Maintain adequate ventilation in all areas. No flares or flames in area. Be careful not to create dust. Eliminate sources of ignition.

Personal Protective Equipment

Pictograms



Respiratory Wear dust masks and use NIOSH/MSHA approved dust respirator if airborne concentrations exceed exposure limits.

Eyes/Face Wear suitable, protective safety glasses to prevent eye irritation from dust.

Hands Wash hands thoroughly after handling and before eating or smoking.

Skin/Body Wear suitable, protective clothing to prevent skin irritation from dust. Wash skin thoroughly after handling and before eating or smoking. Wash contaminated clothing separately before reuse.

Environmental Exposure Controls Follow best practice for site management and disposal of waste. Avoid release to the environment.

General Industrial Hygiene Considerations Protective equipment should be used in any situation that may result in hazardous exposure. Maintain good housekeeping practices to minimize dust build-up and dispersion. Eliminate sources of ignition. Use nonferrous tools to reduce sparking. Sweep or shovel up spilled material using a natural fiber broom and/or aluminum shovel to prevent sparking. Maintain adequate ventilation in all areas.

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SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State	Solid
Appearance	Yellow colored lumps, crystals, powder, or formed shape
Formula	S ₈ (Rhombic or monoclinic)
Odor	Odorless, or faint odor of rotten eggs
Odor Threshold	No data available
pH	No data available
Boiling Point	832° F (444° C)
Melting/Freezing Point	118-120°C (244-248°F)
Flash Point	207°C (405°F) Closed Cup
Evaporation Rate	No data available
Flammability	May form combustible dust concentrations in air
Flammable/Explosion Limits	Upper: 6.38% (v) Lower: 0.17% (v)
Vapor Pressure	8mmHg at 246°C (475°F) 1mmHg at 183.8°C (362.8°F)
Vapor Density	No data available
Purity	99.5% Min.
Auto-Ignition Temperature	240°C (464°F)
Decomposition Temperature	Does not decompose
Viscosity	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	2.07 @ 70° F
Solubility in Water	Insoluble
Bulk Density	Lumps: 75-115 lbs. /ft ³ Powder: 33-80 lbs. /ft ³

SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability	Stable
Conditions to Avoid	Keep from heat sources, sparks, and open flames
Incompatible Materials	Oxidizing agents, copper, copper alloys, steel, chlorates, nitrates
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Oxidizing agents may react violently
Hazardous Decomposition	Oxides of sulfur gases produced by burning sulfur
Products	
Hazardous Polymerization	Will not occur

SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Likely Routes of Exposure	Inhalation, ingestion, skin contact, and eye contact
Signs and Symptoms of Overexposure	Nose or throat irritation, coughing, chest discomfort, asthma, difficulty breathing, nausea, vomiting, stinging eye irritation, skin irritation, hives.
Exposure Limits	No exposure limits have been established
Acute Symptoms and Effects	
Inhalation	Prolonged inhalation may cause irritation of respiratory tract. Breathing of dust may aggravate asthma and other pulmonary diseases.
Eye Contact	Sulfur dust is an eye irritant.
Skin Contact	No adverse effects; however, skin irritation may be aggravated in persons with existing skin lesions.
Ingestion	Ingested sulfur is converted to sulfides in the gastrointestinal tract, and ingestion of 10 to 20 grams has caused irritation of the GI tract and renal injury. Swallowing large amounts may cause nausea and vomiting.

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SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION (CONT)

Long-Term Effects None known to humans

Toxicity

LD₅₀	Oral: >5050 mg/kg (rats)
	Dermal: >2020 mg/kg (rats)
LC₅₀	Inhalation @ 90%: >5.49-mg/L air concentration (rats)
Skin	Slightly irritating (rabbits)
Eye	Minimal irritation in non-washed eyes (rabbits)

Sensitization	Reproductive Effects	Developmental Effects	Endocrine Disruptor
Not Established	Not Established	Not Established	Not Established

Carcinogenicity	Teratogenicity	Mutagenicity
This product does not contain any ingredient designated by NTP, IARC, or OSHA as a probable human carcinogen.		

SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Toxicity to fish LC50- Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) -> 180 mg/l -96h
LC50- other fish- 866 mg/l -96h

Toxicity to Daphnia And Other Aquatic Invertebrates EC50- Daphnia magna (Water flea) -> 5,000 mg/l -48h

Ecotoxicity No data available

Mobility No data available

Degradation No data available

Bioaccumulation No data available

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

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Treatment Methods

Product Waste Dispose of content and/or container in accordance with local, regional, national, and/or international regulations.

Packaging Waste Dispose of content and/or container in accordance with local, regional, national and/or international regulations.

SECTION 14: TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Solid sulfur is not regulated if transported in non-bulk packaging (less than 400kg per package) or if formed to a specific shape, such as prills, granules, pellets, pastilles, or flakes (49 CFR 172.102, special provision 30).

US and Canadian Shipments

Bulk containers (packaging) of powdered sulfur of more than 400 kg (880 lbs.) per package

	14.1 UN number	14.2 UN proper shipping name	14.3 transport hazard class(es)	14.4 packaging group	14.5 environmental hazards
DOT (Domestic)	NA1350	Sulfur (Sulphur)	9 (Misc. Hazardous Materials)	III	No data available
DOT (International)	UN1350	Sulphur (Sulfur)	4	III	No data available
TDG	UN 1350	Sulfur	4.1	III	No data available

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SECTION 14: TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION (CONT)

Other than US and Canadian Shipments

All shipments of powdered sulfur

IMO/IMDG	UN1350	Sulphur (Sulfur)	4.1 (flammable solid)	III	No data available
IATA/ICAO	UN1350	Sulfur	4.1	III	No data available

This product is not a Marine Pollutant as defined in 40 CFR Part 172.

Pictograms for Hazard Classes

Powdered sulfur packaging over 400 kg (880 lbs.) only



Special Precautions for User

None specified

SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA

This product is listed on the TSCA Inventory at CAS Registry Number 7704-34-9.

CERCLA

Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA)

- If this product is accidentally spilled, it is not subject to any special reporting. We recommend that you contact state and local authorities to determine if there are other local reporting requirements.

SARA TITLE III

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, Title III

- Sections 311/312: None. Section 313: None. Section 302: None.

RCRA

Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

- Not subject to reporting because sulfur is not identified as a hazardous waste.

SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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05/01/2015

Preparation Date

05/01/2015

Additional Information

For additional information, contact your technical sales representative. For additional health and safety information, call Georgia Gulf Sulfur Corporation at 229-244-0000.

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