

1. Identification

Product identifier	Lactulose	
Other means of identification		
Catalog number	1356803	
Chemical name	D-Fructose, 4-O-beta-D-galactopyranosyl-	
Recommended use		
Specified quality tests and assay use only.		
Recommended restrictions		
Not for use as a drug. Not for administration to humans or animals.		
Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information		
Company name	U. S. Pharmacopeia	
Address	12601 Twinbrook Parkway	
	Rockville	
	MD	
	20852-1790	
	US	
Telephone	RS Technical Services	301-816-8129
Website	www.usp.org	
E-mail	RSTECH@usp.org	
Emergency phone number	CHEMTREC within US & Canada	1-800-424-9300
	CHEMTREC outside US & Canada	+1 703-527-3887

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards	Not classified.
Health hazards	Not classified.
OSHA hazard(s)	Not classified.
Label elements	
Hazard symbol	No symbol.
Signal word	Not available.
Hazard statement	Not available.
Precautionary statement	
Prevention	Not available.
Response	Not available.
Storage	Not available.
Disposal	Not available.
Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)	Not classified.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance

Hazardous components

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
Lactulose		4618-18-2	100

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation	Move to fresh air. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.
Skin contact	Rinse skin with water/shower. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
Eye contact	Rinse with water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, call a poison control center immediately.
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed	Gastrointestinal disturbances. Fluid and electrolyte disturbances.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treatment of overdose should be symptomatic and supportive. Gastrointestinal decontamination is generally not necessary. Excessive diarrhea should be managed with restriction of solid food intake and administration of oral hypotonic solutions (Pedialyte or Gatorade) until diarrhea resolves. Severe dehydration may necessitate intravenous fluid replacement. Monitor fluid and electrolyte balance carefully in patients losing excessive fluids.

General information

Remove from exposure. Remove contaminated clothing. For treatment advice, seek guidance from an occupational health physician or other licensed health-care provider familiar with workplace chemical exposures. In the United States, the national poison control center phone number is 1-800-222-1222. If person is not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen if available. Persons developing serious hypersensitivity (anaphylactic) reactions must receive immediate medical attention.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials. Water. Foam. Dry chemical or CO ₂ .
Unsuitable extinguishing media	None known.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Wear suitable protective equipment.
Fire-fighting equipment/instructions	Use water spray to cool unopened containers. As with all fires, evacuate personnel to a safe area. Firefighters should use self-contained breathing equipment and protective clothing.
Specific methods	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid inhalation of dust from the spilled material. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling	As a general rule, when handling USP Reference Standards, avoid all contact and inhalation of dust, mists, and/or vapors associated with the material. Clean equipment and work surfaces with suitable detergent or solvent after use. After removing gloves, wash hands and other exposed skin thoroughly.
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities	Store in tight container as defined in the USP-NF. This material should be handled and stored per label instructions to ensure product integrity.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Exposure limit values		
Industrial Use		
Material	Type	Value
Lactulose (CAS 4618-18-2)	TWA	10 mg/m ³
Biological limit values		
Appropriate engineering controls		
No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s). Airborne exposure should be controlled primarily by engineering controls such as general dilution ventilation, local exhaust ventilation, or process enclosure. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred to general exhaust because it can control the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion into the work area. An industrial hygiene survey involving air monitoring may be used to determine the effectiveness of engineering controls.		
Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment		
Eye/face protection	Safety glasses with sideshields are recommended. Face shields or goggles may be required if splash potential exists or if corrosive materials are present. Approved eye protection (e.g., bearing the ANSI Z87 or CSA stamp) is preferred. Maintain eyewash facilities in the work area.	
Skin protection	Chemically compatible gloves. For handling solutions, ensure that the glove material is protective against the solvent being used. Use handling practices that minimize direct hand contact. Employees who are sensitive to natural rubber (latex) should use nitrile or other synthetic non-latex gloves. Use of powdered latex gloves should be avoided due to the risk of latex allergy.	
Hand protection		
Other	For handling of laboratory scale quantities, a cloth lab coat is recommended. Where significant quantities are handled, work clothing may be necessary to prevent take-home contamination.	

Respiratory protection Where respirators are deemed necessary to reduce or control occupational exposures, use NIOSH-approved respiratory protection and have an effective respirator program in place (applicable U.S. regulation OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134).

Thermal hazards Not available.

General hygiene considerations Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance White or almost white, crystalline powder.

Physical state Solid.

Form Crystalline powder.

Odor

Odor threshold Not available.

pH 3.5 - 7 (10% concentration).

Melting point/freezing point 336.2 °F (169 °C)

Flash point Not available.

Evaporation rate Not available.

Flammability (solid, gas) Not applicable.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - lower (%) Not available.

Flammability limit - upper (%) Not available.

Explosive limit - lower (%) Not available.

Explosive limit - upper (%) Not available.

Vapor pressure < 0.0000001 kPa at 25 °C

Vapor density Not available.

Relative density Not available.

Solubility in water Freely soluble.

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water) Not available.

Auto-ignition temperature Not available.

Decomposition temperature Not available.

Viscosity Not available.

Other information

Chemical family Disaccharide.

Molecular formula C₁₂H₂₂O₁₁

Molecular weight 342.3

Solubility (other) Sparingly soluble in methyl alcohol; practically insoluble in toluene.

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity No reactivity hazards known.

Chemical stability Stable at normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.

Conditions to avoid None known.

Incompatible materials None known.

Hazardous decomposition products Irritating and/or toxic fumes or gases. Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Ingestion Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.

Inhalation Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.

Skin contact Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.

Eye contact Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical, and toxicological characteristics	Nausea. Abdominal cramps. Vomiting. Diarrhea. Belching. Gas. Thirst.		
Delayed and immediate effects of exposure	Fluid and electrolyte imbalance.		
Medical conditions aggravated by exposure	Diabetes mellitus. Appendicitis. Rectal bleeding. Congestive heart failure. Hypertension. Dehydration. Internal obstruction.		
Acute toxicity			
Product	Species		Test Results
Lactulose (CAS 4618-18-2)			
Oral			
LD50	Mouse		31 g/kg
	Rat		18160 mg/kg
Skin corrosion/irritation	Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.		
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.		
Respiratory sensitization	Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.		
Skin sensitization	Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.		
Germ cell mutagenicity	Due to lack of data the classification is not possible. Data from germ cell mutagenicity tests were not found.		
Carcinogenicity	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met. This material is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, NTP, or OSHA. Carcinogenicity study (dietary 3-10%) Result: No carcinogenic potential. Species: Mouse Test Duration: 18 months		
Reproductive toxicity	Due to lack of data the classification is not possible. Reproduction studies in mice, rats, and rabbits at doses up to 3 or 6 times the usual human oral dose have not shown adverse effects due to lactulose.		
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure	Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.		
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure	Due to lack of data the classification is not possible.		
Aspiration hazard	Not classified.		

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Product	Species		Test Results
Lactulose (CAS 4618-18-2)			
Acute			
Crustacea	EC50	Crustacea	> 100 mg/l, 48 hr
Fish	LC50	Fish	> 100 mg/l, 96 hr
Persistence and degradability	No data is available on the degradability of this product.		
Bioaccumulative potential	Not available.		
Mobility in soil	Not available.		
Other adverse effects	Not available.		

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Under RCRA, it is the responsibility of the user of the product to determine, at the time of disposal, whether the product meets RCRA criteria for hazardous waste.
Local disposal regulations	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.
Hazardous waste code	Not available.
Waste from residues / unused products	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).
Contaminated packaging	Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

14. Transport information

DOT

Not regulated as a hazardous material by DOT.

IATA

Not regulated as a dangerous good.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code No information available.

15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations CERCLA/SARA Hazardous Substances - Not applicable.

All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory List.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

Hazard categories
Immediate Hazard - No
Delayed Hazard - No
Fire Hazard - No
Pressure Hazard - No
Reactivity Hazard - No

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance No

SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical No

Other federal regulations

Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Not regulated.

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Not regulated.

US state regulations

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins.

International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	No
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	Yes
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	No
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	No
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	No
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

*A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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Further information Not available.

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