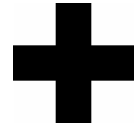




# THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET



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## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### 1.1 IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name** UCON(TM) QUENCHANT E

### 1.2 COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

The Dow Chemical Company  
Midland, MI 48674

### 1.3 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER

**24-HOUR EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER: (989)636-4400.**  
Customer Information Number: 1-800-258-2436.

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## 2. COMPOSITION INFORMATION

<u>Component</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>Amount (%W/W)</u>
Water	7732-18-5	< 65%
Polyalkylene Glycol	Not available	< 45%
Sodium nitrite	7632-00-0	< 3%

## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 3.1 EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

**Appearance** Straw-colored

**Physical State** Liquid

**Odor** Characteristic

**Hazards of product** WARNING!  
HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED - CONTAINS INORGANIC NITRITE.  
VAPOR, AEROSOL OR MIST OF THE PRODUCT AND THERMAL  
DEGRADATION PRODUCTS GENERATED AT HIGH TEMPERATURE  
CAN BE IRRITATING AND HARMFUL IF INHALED.

### 3.2 POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

#### Effects of Single Acute Overexposure

**Inhalation** Short-term harmful health effects are not expected from vapor generated at ambient temperature.

**Eye Contact** No evidence of harmful effects from available information.

**Skin Contact** No evidence of harmful effects from available information.

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**Skin Absorption** No evidence of harmful effects from available information.

**Swallowing** May cause irregular heart rate, decreased blood pressure, roaring sound in ears, with throbbing persistent headache, dizziness, disorientation, nausea, vomiting, irregular respiration, with possibility of fainting, convulsions, and collapse.

## Chronic, Prolonged or Repeated Overexposure

**Effects of Repeated Overexposure** No adverse effects anticipated from available information.

**Other Effects of Overexposure** Overexposure to vapor, aerosol or mist generated at high temperature may result in eye and respiratory tract irritation, dizziness, nausea and the inhalation of harmful amounts of material. Acute overexposure to nitrogen oxides may cause irritation of the respiratory tract and result in coughing, breathing difficulties and other respiratory reactions.

## Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure

There is evidence that persons with glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency may be more sensitive to the toxicity of nitrites.

See Section 11 for toxicological information and additional information about potential health effects.

## 3.3 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

See Section 12 for Ecological Information.

## 4. FIRST AID PROCEDURES

### 4.1 INHALATION

Remove to fresh air.

### 4.2 EYE CONTACT

Flush eyes thoroughly with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if worn.

### 4.3 SKIN CONTACT

Wash skin with plenty of water.

### 4.4 SWALLOWING

If patient is fully conscious, rinse mouth with water. Give two glasses of water. Induce vomiting. This should be done only by medical or experienced first-aid personnel. Obtain medical attention.

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## **4.5 NOTES TO PHYSICIAN**

The principal hazard of this material is due to the nitrite content. Administer oxygen to relieve headache and a general sense of weakness. Determine methemoglobin concentration in blood every 3-6 hours for first 24 hours. It should return to normal within 24 hours. The treatment of toxic methemoglobin may include the intravenous administration of methylene blue in a dose of 2 mg/kg. Improvement should be evident within one hour. The dose may be repeated if necessary. Otherwise, treatment of overexposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient.

## **5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

### **5.1 FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES - REFER TO SECTION 9, PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

### **5.2 EXTINGUISHING MEDIA**

Non-flammable (aqueous solution): After water evaporates, remaining material will burn. Use alcohol-type or all-purpose-type foam, applied by manufacturer's recommended techniques for large fires. Use carbon dioxide or dry chemical media for small fires.

### **5.3 FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES**

Do not direct a solid stream of water or foam into hot, burning pools; this may cause frothing and increase fire intensity.

### **5.4 SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIREFIGHTERS**

Use self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing.

### **5.5 UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS**

During a fire, oxides of nitrogen may be produced.

### **5.6 HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS**

Combustion may produce the following products: Oxides of carbon and nitrogen. Carbon monoxide is highly toxic if inhaled; carbon dioxide in sufficient concentrations can act as an asphyxiant. Acute overexposure to the products of combustion may result in irritation of the respiratory tract. See Section 3.2 - Other Effects of Overexposure. See Section 8.2 - Personal Protection (Ventilation).

## **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**Steps to be Taken if Material is Released or Spilled:**

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Small spills can be flushed with large amounts of water; larger spills should be collected for disposal.

**Personal Precautions:** Wear suitable protective equipment. See Section 8.2 - Personal Protection.

## **7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### **7.1 HANDLING**

#### **General Handling**

Do not swallow.  
Avoid breathing vapor, aerosol and mist.  
Keep container closed.  
Use with adequate ventilation.  
Wash thoroughly after handling.

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#### **Ventilation**

Steam and small amounts of organic vapors can be evolved during quenching. The vapors could be irritating and toxic if allowed to accumulate. Adequate workplace ventilation should be provided to prevent irritation and accumulation of vapors; this may require use of a special, local ventilation system in the immediate area where vapors are released.

#### **Other Precautions**

Do not mix with amines. A nitrosamine, which may cause cancer, may be formed. Where this product is burned under conditions of relatively complete combustion, the major products are carbon dioxide and water vapor. Where this material is subjected to overheating (thermal degradation) but does not burn, the degradation products can be such things as organic acids (formic, acetic acids), aldehydes, esters, ketones, etc. These vapors or fumes can be highly irritating to the eyes, nose and throat. Special ventilation may be needed. In normal use, no respiratory protective equipment should be needed, but self-contained breathing apparatus should be available for use in emergencies. Small amounts of organic vapors can be formed by oxidation of quenchants. These vapors could be irritating or toxic if released in a poorly ventilated area. Good ventilation should be maintained in the area around quench tanks.

### **7.2 STORAGE**

Storage at room temperature recommended. Product freezes at  $-0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $\sim 32^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) and becomes highly viscous at temperatures above freezing.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 EXPOSURE LIMITS

None established by OSHA, ACGIH or Dow.

### 8.2 PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Respiratory Protection:** None expected to be needed at low temperatures.  
See Section 7.1 - Other Precautions.

**Ventilation:** Steam and small amounts of organic vapors can be evolved during quenching. The vapors could be irritating and toxic if allowed to accumulate. Adequate workplace ventilation should be provided to prevent irritation and accumulation of vapors; this may require use of a special, local ventilation system in the immediate area where vapors are released.

**Eye Protection:** Safety Glasses

**Protective Gloves:** Rubber or plastic.

**Other Protective Equipment:** Eye Bath, Safety Shower

### 8.3 ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Use good housekeeping and acceptable industrial engineering practices.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Physical State:** Liquid

**Appearance:** Straw-colored

**Odor:** Characteristic

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**Flash Point - Closed Cup:** None.

**Flammable Limits In Air:**

Lower *Not Determined, Aqueous System*  
Upper *Not Determined, Aqueous System*

**Autoignition Temperature:** *Not currently available.*

**Vapor Pressure:** ~ 17 mmHg 20 °C

**Boiling Point (760 mmHg):** > 100 °C > 212 °F

**Vapor Density (air = 1):** Volatile portion < 1

**Specific Gravity (H2O = 1):** 1.073 20 °C / 20 °C

**Freezing Point:** 0 °C 32 °F

**Melting Point:** *Not applicable (for liquids)*

**Solubility in Water (by weight):** 100 %

**pH:** *Not currently available.*

**Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1):** Volatile portion ~ 1

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 STABILITY/INSTABILITY Stable

**Incompatible Materials:** Normally unreactive; however, avoid strong bases at high temperatures, strong acids, strong oxidizing agents and materials reactive with hydroxyl compounds. If the pH of the product is allowed to fall below 6.5, either as a result of the addition of acid or due to severe oxidation, the formation of nitrogen oxides may occur.

**Thermal Decomposition:** Where this material is subjected to overheating (thermal degradation) but does not burn, the degradation products can be such things as organic acids (formic, acetic acids), aldehydes, esters, ketones, etc. These vapors or fumes can be highly irritating to the eyes, nose and throat. Special ventilation may be needed.

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**10.2 HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION** Will not occur.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### **SIGNIFICANT DATA WITH POSSIBLE RELEVANCE TO HUMANS**

Contains sodium nitrite which may react with amines to form a nitrosamine. Some nitrosamines have been shown to be carcinogenic in laboratory animals.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 ENVIRONMENTAL FATE

#### **BOD (% Oxygen consumption)**

	<b>Day 5</b>	<b>Day 10</b>	<b>Day 15</b>	<b>Day 20</b>	<b>Day 28/30</b>
	7 %	10 %		31 %	

### 12.2 ECOTOXICITY

#### **Toxicity to Micro-organisms**

Bacterial Inhibition; IC50

**Result value:** > 5000 mg/l

#### **Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates**

Daphnia; 48 h; LC50

**Result value:** 9502 mg/l

#### **Toxicity to Fish**

Fathead Minnow; 96 h; LC50

**Result value:** > 5000 mg/l

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## 12.3 FURTHER INFORMATION

Theoretical Oxygen Demand (THOD) - measured: 0.75 mg/mg

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1 DISPOSAL

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. DOW HAS 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 2 (Composition/ Information On Ingredients). FOR UNUSED & UNCONTAMINATED PRODUCT, the preferred options include sending to a licensed, permitted: incinerator or other thermal destruction device. As a service to its customers, Dow can provide names of information resources to help identify waste management companies and other facilities which recycle, reprocess or manage chemicals or plastics, and that manage used drums. Telephone Dow's Customer Information Group at 1-800-258-2436 or 1-989-832-1556 (U.S.), or 1-800-331-6451 (Canada) for further details .

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### 14.1 U.S. D.O.T.

#### NON-BULK

**Proper Shipping Name :** NOT REGULATED

#### BULK

**Proper Shipping Name :** ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES LIQUID, NOS

**Technical Name :** CONTAINS SODIUM NITRITE

**Hazard Class :** 9

**ID Number :** UN3082

**Packing Group :** PG III

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**Reportable Quantity :** 4,762 LB

*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**

### **15.1 FEDERAL/NATIONAL**

#### **COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT OF 1980 (CERCLA) SECTION 103**

This product contains the following substances subject to CERCLA Section 103 reporting requirements and are listed in 40 CFR Part 302.4.

<b>Component</b>	<b>CAS #</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sodium nitrite	7632-00-0	< 3.0000%

#### **SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1986 TITLE III (EMERGENCY PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT) SECTION 302**

This product contains the following substances subject to SARA Section 302 reporting requirements and are listed in 40 CFR Part 302.4.

None.

#### **SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1986 TITLE III (EMERGENCY PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT) SECTION 313**

This product contains the following substances subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act 1986 and 40 CFR Part 372.

<b>Component</b>	<b>CAS #</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sodium nitrite	7632-00-0	< 3.0000%

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## SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1986 TITLE III (EMERGENCY PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT) SECTIONS 311 AND 312

**Delayed (Chronic) Health Hazard :** Yes  
**Fire Hazard :** No  
**Immediate (Acute) Health Hazard :** Yes  
**Reactive Hazard :** No  
**Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard :** No

## TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT (TSCA)

All components of this product are on the TSCA Inventory or are exempt from TSCA Inventory requirements.

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## EUROPEAN INVENTORY OF EXISTING COMMERCIAL CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES (EINECS)

All components in this product are in compliance with EINECS.

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## 15.2 STATE/LOCAL

### PENNSYLVANIA (WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT-TO-KNOW ACT)

The following product components are cited in the Pennsylvania Hazardous Substances List, the Pennsylvania Special Hazardous Substance List, and/or the Pennsylvania Environmental Hazardous Substance list, and are present at levels which require reporting.

<b>Component</b>	<b>CAS #</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sodium nitrite	7632-00-0	< 3.0000%

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### MASSACHUSETTS (HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES DISCLOSURE BY EMPLOYERS)

The following components of this product appear on the Massachusetts Substance List and are present at levels which could require identification in the MSDS:

<b>Component</b>	<b>CAS #</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Sodium nitrite	7632-00-0	< 3.0000%

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## 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.

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## CALIFORNIA SCAQMD RULE 443.1 (SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT RULE 443.1, LABELING OF MATERIALS CONTAINING ORGANIC SOLVENTS)

**VOC:** Not determined.

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*This section provides selected regulatory information on this product including its components. This is not intended to include all regulations. It is the responsibility of the user to know and comply with all applicable rules, regulations and laws relating to the product being used.*

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

### **16.1 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional product safety information on this product may be obtained by calling Dow's Customer Information Group at 1-800-258-2436 (U.S.) or 1-800-331-6451 (Canada).

Ask for the brochure:

UCON Fluids and Lubricants (Family Brochure). Ask about the availability of specific product and end-use bulletins.

### **16.2 HAZARD RATING SYSTEM**

**||NFPA ratings for this product are: H - 0      F - 0      R - 0**

*These ratings are part of a specific hazard communication program and should be disregarded where individuals are not trained in the use of this hazard rating system. You should be familiar with the hazard communication programs applicable to your workplace.*

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## 16.3 RECOMMENDED USES AND RESTRICTIONS

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## 16.4 REVISION

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## 16.5 LEGEND

Bacterial/NA	Non Acclimated Bacteria
F	Fire
H	Health
IHG	Industrial Hygiene Guideline
N/A	Not available
NFPA	National Fire Protection Association
O	Oxidizer
R	Reactivity
TS	Trade secret
VOL/VOL	Volume/Volume
W	Water Reactive
W/W	Weight/Weight

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