



Product Bulletin

Product Name

STEPANOL® ME-DRY

Chemical Structure CH₃ (CH₂)₁₀ CH₂ OSO₃ Na

Chemical Description

Sodium Lauryl Sulfate

CAS Registry Number 151-21-3 (Alternate CAS No. 73296-89-6, 68585-47-7)

INCI Name

Sodium Lauryl Sulfate

Applications

STEPANOL ME-DRY is a sodium lauryl sulfate derived from fatty alcohol sulfonated via Stepan's continuous SO₃ process. The product of this process is then spray dried to produce a white powder.

STEPANOL ME-DRY is used in powdered bubble baths, hand cleaners, and detergents. Because of its excellent foaming properties, STEPANOL ME-DRY is used in liquid hand soaps, shampoos, and other personal care and detergent applications.

Typical Properties

Appearance at 25°C	White powder
Actives (MW 299), %	
Unsulfated Material, %	
Sodium Chloride, %	2.0 max.
Sodium Sulfate, %	3.5 max.
pH, 1% aqueous	
Color, APHA, 10% active	200
Boiling Point, °C (°F)	>100 (>212)
Density, approximately g/ml (lbs/U.S. gal)	0.48 (4.0)
RVOC, U.S. EPA, %	Ó
Preservative	

Environmental Effects Product is readily biodegradable. A detailed biodegradability statement is available upon request.

Health Effects STEPANOL ME-DRY is slightly toxic orally to mammals (LD $_{50}$ is between 0.8 to 1.1 g/kg) and aquatic organisms (LC $_{50}$ =12 mg/L). At 10% active, it causes moderate to severe skin and eye irritation.

Storage & Handling Normal safety precautions (e.g., gloves and safety goggles) should be employed when handling STEPANOL ME-DRY. Contact with eyes, nose or prolonged contact with skin should be avoided. Wash thoroughly after handling STEPANOL ME-DRY. Avoid inhaling dust. See SDS for more information.

Standard Packaging: STEPANOL ME-DRY is available in drums quantities.

Non-Bulk Storage Recommendations: STEPANOL ME-DRY should be stored in closed containers and kept in a cool, dry place to avoid agglomeration, and should be kept away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

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Workplace Exposure

Clearances

Occupational exposure can occur primarily through skin contact or via inhalation of vapors and mists. Engineering controls, personal protective equipment, and other workplace practices should be used to control these exposures. See SDS for more information.

The international inventories (country clearances) of STEPANOL ME-DRY can be found in Section 15 of the Safety Data Sheet (SDS). It is the responsibility of the formulator to review the chemical control regulations for each country where the end-product is intended to be sold or used. If you have any further questions regarding inventories, please contact North America Technical Service at techserv@stepan.com.

STEPANOL ME-DRY is available as Kosher Certified.

Product Stewardship

Additional Safety Information This product bulletin has been written in accordance with ACC's Product Stewardship guidelines.

A Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is available upon request.



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