Conforms to EU Directive 91/155/EEC, as amended by 2001/58/EC - United Kingdom (UK)

## SAFETY DATA SHEET



#### **Buffer Solutions**

## 1. Identification of the substance/preparation and company/undertaking

#### Identification of the substance or preparation

**Product name** : Buffer Solutions Code PL.910 Trade name : Buffer Solution pH 5.0 PL.911 Buffer Solution pH 5.5 PL.912 Buffer Solution pH 6.0 PL.913 Buffer Solution pH 6.5 PL.914 Buffer Solution pH 7.0 PL.915 Buffer Solution pH 7.5

Use of the

substance/preparation

: The buffer solutions are for use as quality control laboratory reagents to test the

performance of Amniotest swabs.

Company/undertaking identification

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#### 2. Composition/information on ingredients

**Substance/preparation**: Preparation

Within the present knowledge of the supplier, this product does not contain any hazardous ingredients in quantities requiring reporting in this section, in accordance with EU or national regulations.

## 3. Hazards identification

The preparation is not classified as dangerous according to Directive 1999/45/EC and its amendments.

Classification : Not classified.

See section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

#### 4. First-aid measures

**First-aid measures** 

**Eye contact** : Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water. Obtain medical attention if symptoms occur.

**Skin contact**: Wash with soap and water. Obtain medical attention if symptoms occur.

**Inhalation** : If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical

attention if symptoms appear.

**Ingestion**: Do not induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Get medical attention if symptoms appear.

**Protection of first-aiders** : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training.

See section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

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## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Extinguishing media** 

**Suitable** 

: Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

Not suitable

: None known.

**Special exposure hazards** 

Hazardous thermal decomposition products

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

No specific hazard.These products are phosphates. Some metallic oxides.

: Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure

#### 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal precautions** 

: Immediately contact emergency personnel. Keep unnecessary personnel away. Use suitable protective equipment.

**Environmental precautions** 

: Avoid dispersal of spilled material, runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

Methods for cleaning up

: If emergency personnel are unavailable, contain spilt material. For small spills, add absorbent (soil may be used in the absence of other suitable materials), scoop up material and place in a sealable, liquid-proof container for disposal. For large spills, dyke spilt material or otherwise contain material to ensure runoff does not reach a waterway. Place spilt material in an appropriate container for disposal.

#### 7. Handling and storage

**Handling** 

: Wash thoroughly after handling.

**Storage** 

: Keep container closed. Keep container in a cool, ventilated area. Store at room temperature.

**Packaging materials** 

Recommended

: Use original container.

#### 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

**Exposure limit values** 

: Not available.

Recommended monitoring procedures

: If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, personal, workplace atmosphere or biological monitoring may be required to determine the effectiveness of the ventilation or other control measures and/or the necessity to use respiratory protective equipment. Reference should be made to European Standard EN 689 for methods for the assessment of exposure by inhalation to chemical agents and national guidance documents for methods for the determination of hazardous substances.

**Exposure controls** 

Occupational exposure controls

: No special ventilation requirements. Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control airborne levels. If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure below any recommended or statutory limits.

Eye protection Skin protection : Safety glasses.

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: Lab coat.

Respiratory protection

: A respirator is not needed under normal and intended conditions of product use.

Hand protection

: Disposable vinyl gloves.



**Hygiene measures** 

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: Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling compounds and before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the day. During formulation, follow good industrial hygiene practice.

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# **Environmental exposure** controls

: Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. In some cases, fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.

#### 9. Physical and chemical properties

#### **General information**

**Appearance** 

Physical state : Liquid. (Clear.)

#### Important health, safety and environmental information

**pH** : 5 to 7.5 [Acidic.]

Boiling point : The lowest known value is 100°C (212°F) (Water).

Melting point : May start to solidify at 0°C (32°F) based on data for: Water.

Vapour pressure : The highest known value is 2.3 kPa (17.5 mm Hg) (at 20°C) (Water).

**Relative density** : Weighted average: 1.01 (Water = 1)

**Solubility** : Easily soluble in cold water, hot water, methanol, acetone.

**Vapour density** : The highest known value is 0.62 (Air = 1) (Water).

**Evaporation rate** : 0.36 (Water) compared with Butyl acetate.

### 10. Stability and reactivity

**Stability**: The product is stable.

Materials to avoid : Reactive with oxidizing materials and acids.

#### 11. Toxicological information

#### Potential acute health effects

Inhalation: No known significant effects or critical hazards.Ingestion: No known significant effects or critical hazards.Skin contact: No known significant effects or critical hazards.Eye contact: No known significant effects or critical hazards.

#### Potential chronic health effects

Carcinogenicity
 Mutagenicity
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.
 Reproductive toxicity
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.
 No known significant effects or critical hazards.

#### Over-exposure signs/symptoms

Inhalation : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
 Ingestion : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
 Skin : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

#### 12. Ecological information

Mobility : Not available.

#### 13. Disposal considerations

**Methods of disposal** 

: The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized wherever possible. Avoid dispersal of spilled material, runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional and local authority requirements.

**Hazardous waste** 

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: Within the present knowledge of the supplier, this product is not regarded as hazardous waste, as defined by EU Directive 91/689/EEC.

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## 14. Transport information

#### **Regulatory information**

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UN/ IMDG/IATA / ADNR/ADR : Not regulated.

## 15. Regulatory information

**EU regulations** 

**Risk phrases**: This product is not classified according to EU legislation.

Product use : Classification and labelling have been performed according to EU Directives

67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC (including amendments) and the intended use.

- Industrial applications.

Other EU regulations

EU statistical classification: 32089091

(Tariff Code)

#### 16. Other information

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