

# **Material Safety Data Sheet**

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# **SECTION 1: PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

**PRODUCT NAME:** Post-it(R) Flag+ Gel Pen

**MANUFACTURER:** 3M

**DIVISION:** Office Supplies Division

**ADDRESS:** 3M Center

St. Paul. MN 55144-1000

EMERGENCY PHONE: 1-800-364-3577 or (651) 737-6501 (24 hours)

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**Product Use:** 

Intended Use: Writing instrument

Specific Use: Gel pen ink

# **SECTION 2: INGREDIENTS**

<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>C.A.S. No.</u>	<b>% by Wt</b> 40 - 80	
Water	7732-18-5		
Ethylene Glycol	107-21-1	5 - 30	
Pigments	Trade Secret	10 - 30	
Acrylate resin	Trade Secret	5 - 25	
Glycerin	56-81-5	2 - 20	
Gel Follower	None	8 - 12	
Triethanolamine	102-71-6	< 5	

# **SECTION 3: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

## 3.1 EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Odor, Color, Grade: Black, blue or red ink with slight odor in gel pen.

General Physical Form: Liquid

Immediate health, physical, and environmental hazards:

May cause target organ effects.

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### 3.2 POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

#### **Eye Contact:**

Mild Eye Irritation: Signs/symptoms may include redness, pain, and tearing.

#### **Skin Contact:**

Mild Skin Irritation: Signs/symptoms may include localized redness, swelling, and itching.

#### **Inhalation:**

Respiratory Tract Irritation: Signs/symptoms may include cough, sneezing, nasal discharge, headache, hoarseness, and nose and throat pain.

#### **Ingestion:**

Gastrointestinal Irritation: Signs/symptoms may include abdominal pain, stomach upset, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

May be absorbed following ingestion and cause target organ effects.

#### **Target Organ Effects:**

Central Nervous System (CNS) Depression: Signs/symptoms may include headache, dizziness, drowsiness, incoordination, nausea, slowed reaction time, slurred speech, giddiness, and unconsciousness.

Cardiac Effects: Signs/symptoms may include irregular heartbeat (arrhythmia), changes in heart rate, damage to heart muscle, heart attack, and may be fatal.

Kidney/Bladder Effects: Signs/symptoms may include changes in urine production, abdominal or lower back pain, increased protein in urine, increased blood urea nitrogen (BUN), blood in urine, and painful urination.

Neurological Effects: Signs/symptoms may include personality changes, lack of coordination, sensory loss, tingling or numbness of the extremities, weakness, tremors, and/or changes in blood pressure and heart rate.

Respiratory Effects: Signs/symptoms may include cough, shortness of breath, chest tightness, wheezing, increased heart rate, bluish colored skin (cyanosis), sputum production, changes in lung function tests, and/or respiratory failure.

# **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

## 4.1 FIRST AID PROCEDURES

The following first aid recommendations are based on an assumption that appropriate personal and industrial hygiene practices are followed.

**Eye Contact:** Flush eyes with large amounts of water. If signs/symptoms persist, get medical attention.

**Skin Contact:** Wash affected area with soap and water. If signs/symptoms develop, get medical attention.

**Inhalation:** Remove person to fresh air. If signs/symptoms develop, get medical attention.

**If Swallowed:** Do not induce vomiting. Give victim two glasses of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get immediate medical attention.

## **SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

#### 5.1 FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES

Autoignition temperatureNot ApplicableFlash PointNo Data AvailableFlammable Limits - LELNot ApplicableFlammable Limits - UELNot Applicable

#### 5.2 EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

Non-combustible. Choose material suitable for surrounding fire. Ordinary combustible material. Use fire extinguishers with class A extinguishing agents (e.g., water, foam).

#### 5.3 PROTECTION OF FIRE FIGHTERS

**Special Fire Fighting Procedures:** Wear full protective equipment (Bunker Gear) and a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Not applicable.

Note: See STABILITY AND REACTIVITY (SECTION 10) for hazardous combustion and thermal decomposition information.

# SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

## Personal precautions

Evacuate unprotected and untrained personnel from hazard area. The spill should be cleaned up by qualified personnel. Ventilate the area with fresh air. For large spill, or spills in confined spaces, provide mechanical ventilation to disperse or exhaust vapors, in accordance with good industrial hygiene practice. Warning! A motor could be an ignition source and could cause flammable gases or vapors in the spill area to burn or explode.

## **Environmental procedures**

Place in a closed container approved for transportation by appropriate authorities. Dispose of collected material as soon as possible.

#### Clean-up methods

Observe precautions from other sections. Call 3M- HELPS line (1-800-364-3577) for more information on handling and managing the spill. Contain spill. Working from around the edges of the spill inward, cover with bentonite, vermiculite, or commercially available inorganic absorbent material. Mix in sufficient absorbent until it appears dry. Collect as much of the spilled material as possible. Clean up residue with an appropriate solvent selected by a qualified and authorized person. Ventilate the area with fresh air. Read and follow safety precautions on the solvent label and MSDS.

In the event of a release of this material, the user should determine if the release qualifies as reportable according to local, state, and federal regulations.

# **SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE**

## 7.1 HANDLING

Avoid eye contact. Avoid skin contact.

#### 7.2 STORAGE

Not applicable. Store away from areas where product may come into contact with food or pharmaceuticals.

# SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

## 8.1 ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Use in a well-ventilated area.

## **8.2 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)**

### 8.2.1 Eye/Face Protection

Avoid eye contact.

The following eye protection(s) are recommended: Safety Glasses with side shields

## 8.2.2 Skin Protection

Avoid skin contact.

Select and use gloves and/or protective clothing to prevent skin contact based on the results of an exposure assessment. Consult with your glove and/or protective clothing manufacturer for selection of appropriate compatible materials.

Gloves made from the following material(s) are recommended: Nitrile Rubber

## **8.2.3 Respiratory Protection**

Avoid breathing of vapors, mists or spray. Under normal use conditions, airborne exposures are not expected to be significant enough to require respiratory protection.

#### 8.2.4 Prevention of Swallowing

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash exposed areas thoroughly with soap and water.

### 8.3 EXPOSURE GUIDELINES

<u>Ingredient</u>	<b>Authority</b>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Limit</u>	<b>Additional Information</b>
Ethylene Glycol	ACGIH	CEIL, as aerosol	100 mg/m3	
Ethylene Glycol	CMRG	CEIL, as vapor and	100 mg/m3	
		aerosol		
Glycerin	ACGIH	TWA, as mist	10 mg/m3	
Glycerin	OSHA	TWA, respirable	5 mg/m3	
		fraction		
Glycerin	OSHA	TWA, as total dust	15 mg/m3	
Triethanolamine	ACGIH	TWA	5 mg/m3	

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#### SOURCE OF EXPOSURE LIMIT DATA:

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

CMRG: Chemical Manufacturer Recommended Guideline OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration

AIHA: American Industrial Hygiene Association Workplace Environmental Exposure Level (WEEL)

# **SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

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General Physical Form: Liquid

Autoignition temperatureNot ApplicableFlash PointNo Data AvailableFlammable Limits - LELNot ApplicableFlammable Limits - UELNot ApplicableBoiling point>=100 °C

DensityNo Data AvailableVapor DensityNo Data Available

Vapor Pressure17 mmHgVapor PressureNot ApplicableSpecific GravityNot ApplicablepHNo Data AvailableMelting pointNo Data Available

Solubility in Water Nil

Evaporation rateNo Data AvailableKow - Oct/Water partition coefNo Data AvailableViscosityNo Data Available

# **SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Stability: Stable.

**Materials and Conditions to Avoid:** 

10.1 Conditions to avoid

Heat

Sparks and/or flames

10.2 Materials to avoid

Strong oxidizing agents

Strong acids

Strong bases

Hazardous Polymerization: Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

**Hazardous Decomposition or By-Products** 

SubstanceConditionHydrocarbonsNot SpecifiedCarbon monoxideNot SpecifiedCarbon dioxideNot SpecifiedOxides of NitrogenNot Specified

# **SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Please contact the address listed on the first page of the MSDS for Toxicological Information on this material and/or its components.

# **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

## ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Not determined.

### CHEMICAL FATE INFORMATION

Not determined.

# **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Waste Disposal Method:** Incinerate in an industrial or commercial facility in the presence of a combustible material. As a disposal alternative, dispose of waste product in a facility permitted to accept chemical waste.

Since regulations vary, consult applicable regulations or authorities before disposal.

# **SECTION 14:TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Please contact the emergency numbers listed on the first page of the MSDS for Transportation Information for this material.

# **SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

## US FEDERAL REGULATIONS

Contact 3M for more information.

311/312 Hazard Categories:

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

Section 313 Toxic Chemicals subject to the reporting requirements of that section and 40 CFR part 372 (EPCRA):

 Ingredient
 C.A.S. No
 % by Wt

 Ethylene Glycol
 107-21-1
 5 - 30

#### STATE REGULATIONS

Contact 3M for more information.

### **CHEMICAL INVENTORIES**

The components of this product are in compliance with the chemical notification requirements of TSCA.

Contact 3M for more information.

## INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS

Contact 3M for more information.

This MSDS has been prepared to meet the U.S. OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

# **SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

### **NFPA Hazard Classification**

Health: 1 Flammability: 1 Reactivity: 0 Special Hazards: None

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) hazard ratings are designed for use by emergency response personnel to address the hazards that are presented by short-term, acute exposure to a material under conditions of fire, spill, or similar emergencies. Hazard ratings are primarily based on the inherent physical and toxic properties of the material but also include the toxic properties of combustion or decomposition products that are known to be generated in significant quantities.

#### **HMIS Hazard Classification**

**Health:** 0 Flammability: 1 Reactivity: 0 Protection: X - See PPE section.

Hazardous Material Identification System (HMIS(r)) hazard ratings are designed to inform employees of chemical hazards in the workplace. These ratings are based on the inherent properties of the material under expected conditions of normal use and are not intended for use in emergency situations. HMIS(r) ratings are to be used with a fully implemented HMIS(r) program. HMIS(r) is a registered mark of the National Paint and Coatings Association (NPCA).

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Section 9: Vapor density value was modified.

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