



# Material Safety Data Sheet

Dow Chemical Canada ULC

**Product Name:** DOWEX\* HCR-S/S Cation Exchange Resin

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Dow Chemical Canada ULC encourages and expects you to read and understand the entire (M)SDS, as there is important information throughout the document. We expect you to follow the precautions identified in this document unless your use conditions would necessitate other appropriate methods or actions.

## 1. Product and Company Identification

**Product Name**

DOWEX\* HCR-S/S Cation Exchange Resin

**COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

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Customer Information Number:

800-331-6451

**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER**

**24-Hour Emergency Contact:**

(989) 636-4400

**Local Emergency Contact:**

989-636-4400

## 2. Hazards Identification

**Emergency Overview**

**Color:** White to yellow

**Physical State:** Beads

**Odor:** Odorless to mild

**Hazards of product:**

**CAUTION!** May cause eye irritation. Slipping hazard.

**Potential Health Effects**

**Eye Contact:** May cause slight eye irritation. Solid or dust may cause irritation or corneal injury due to mechanical action.

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**Skin Contact:** Essentially nonirritating to skin.

**Skin Absorption:** No adverse effects anticipated by skin absorption.

**Inhalation:** Vapors are unlikely due to physical properties. No adverse effects are anticipated from inhalation.

**Ingestion:** Very low toxicity if swallowed. Harmful effects not anticipated from swallowing small amounts.

### 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Component	CAS #	Amount W/W
Sulfonated polymer of styrene, ethylstyrene and divinylbenzene in the sodium form	69011-22-9	>= 48.0 - <= 52.0 %
Water	7732-18-5	>= 48.0 - <= 52.0 %

Amounts are presented as percentages by weight.

### 4. First-aid measures

**Eye Contact:** Flush eyes with plenty of water; remove contact lenses after the first 1-2 minutes then continue flushing for several minutes. Only mechanical effects expected. If effects occur, consult a physician, preferably an ophthalmologist.

**Skin Contact:** Wash skin with plenty of water.

**Inhalation:** Move person to fresh air; if effects occur, consult a physician.

**Ingestion:** No emergency medical treatment necessary.

**Notes to Physician:** No specific antidote. Treatment of exposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient.

### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Extinguishing Media:** Water. Dry chemical fire extinguishers. Carbon dioxide fire extinguishers.

**Fire Fighting Procedures:** Keep people away. Isolate fire and deny unnecessary entry. Soak thoroughly with water to cool and prevent re-ignition. Cool surroundings with water to localize fire zone.

**Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters:** Wear positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and protective fire fighting clothing (includes fire fighting helmet, coat, trousers, boots, and gloves). If protective equipment is not available or not used, fight fire from a protected location or safe distance.

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** This material will not burn until the water has evaporated. Residue can burn.

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Under fire conditions some components of this product may decompose. The smoke may contain unidentified toxic and/or irritating compounds. Combustion products may include and are not limited to: Sulfur oxides. Organic sulfonates. Hydrocarbons. Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide. Benzene compounds.

See Section 9 for related Physical Properties

### 6. Accidental Release Measures

**Steps to be Taken if Material is Released or Spilled:** Contain spilled material if possible. Sweep up. Recover spilled material if possible. Collect in suitable and properly labeled containers. See Section 13, Disposal Considerations, for additional information.

**Personal Precautions:** Spilled material may cause a slipping hazard. Use appropriate safety equipment. For additional information, refer to Section 8, Exposure Controls and Personal Protection.  
**Environmental Precautions:** Prevent from entering into soil, ditches, sewers, waterways and/or groundwater. See Section 12, Ecological Information.

## 7. Handling and Storage

### Handling

**General Handling:** Static electricity can accumulate on dry beads. Leave room for expansion as dry resin swells upon wetting and/or changing ionic form. Equipment construction material should be compatible with feed, regenerant, ionic form and effluent of the ion exchange process. Avoid contact with eyes. Avoid generating and breathing dust. Wash thoroughly after handling. Keep container closed. Good housekeeping and controlling of dusts are necessary for safe handling of product.

### Storage

Store in a dry place. Keep container tightly closed when not in use. Preferred storage temperature is in the lower half of the range given below.

**Shelf life: Use within** 24 Months

**Storage temperature:** 0 - 50 °C

## 8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

### Exposure Limits

*Consult local authorities for recommended exposure limits.*

None established

### Personal Protection

**Eye/Face Protection:** Use safety glasses. If there is a potential for exposure to particles which could cause eye discomfort, wear chemical goggles.

**Skin Protection:** No precautions other than clean body-covering clothing should be needed.

**Hand protection:** Chemical protective gloves should not be needed when handling this material. Consistent with general hygienic practice for any material, skin contact should be minimized.

**Respiratory Protection:** No respiratory protection should be needed.

**Ingestion:** Use good personal hygiene. Do not consume or store food in the work area. Wash hands before smoking or eating.

### Engineering Controls

**Ventilation:** Good general ventilation should be sufficient for most conditions.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Beads
<b>Color</b>	White to yellow
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless to mild
<b>Flash Point - Closed Cup</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammable Limits In Air</b>	<b>Lower:</b> Not applicable <b>Upper:</b> Not applicable
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	Not applicable
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	Not applicable
<b>Boiling Point (760 mmHg)</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Vapor Density (air = 1)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Specific Gravity (H<sub>2</sub>O = 1)</b>	1.30 <i>Literature</i>

Liquid Density	0.705 g/cm <sup>3</sup> <i>Literature</i>
Freezing Point	Not applicable
Melting Point	Not applicable
Solubility in Water (by weight)	insoluble in water
pH	essentially neutral
Kinematic Viscosity	Not applicable
Particle Size	0.3 - 1.2 mm <i>DOWM 101701</i>

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

### Stability/Instability

Stable under recommended storage conditions. See Storage, Section 7.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Exposure to elevated temperatures can cause product to decompose.

**Incompatible Materials:** Avoid contact with oxidizing materials. Oxidizing agents such as nitric acid attack organic exchange resins under certain conditions. Before using strong oxidizing agents, consult sources knowledgeable in handling such materials. The severity of the reaction with oxidizing materials can vary from slight degradation to an explosive reaction.

### Hazardous Polymerization

Will not occur.

### Thermal Decomposition

Decomposition products depend upon temperature, air supply and the presence of other materials.

Decomposition products can include and are not limited to: Aromatic compounds. Hydrocarbons.

Organic sulfonates. Sulfur oxides.

## 11. Toxicological Information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Ingestion

Typical for this family of materials. LD<sub>50</sub>, Rat > 5,000 mg/kg

#### Skin Absorption

The dermal LD<sub>50</sub> has not been determined.

## 12. Ecological Information

### CHEMICAL FATE

#### Movement & Partitioning

No bioconcentration of the polymeric component is expected because of its high molecular weight. In the terrestrial environment, material is expected to remain in the soil. In the aquatic environment, material will sink and remain in the sediment.

#### Persistence and Degradability

This water-insoluble polymeric solid is expected to be inert in the environment. Surface photodegradation is expected with exposure to sunlight. No appreciable biodegradation is expected.

### ECOTOXICITY

Not expected to be acutely toxic, but material in pellet or bead form may mechanically cause adverse effects if ingested by waterfowl or aquatic life.

### 13. Disposal Considerations

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: Composition Information. FOR UNUSED & UNCONTAMINATED PRODUCT, the preferred options include sending to a licensed, permitted: Incinerator or other thermal destruction device. Landfill. 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

**TDG Small container**  
NOT REGULATED

**TDG Large container**  
NOT REGULATED

**IMDG**  
NOT REGULATED

**ICAO/IATA**  
NOT REGULATED

### 15. Regulatory Information

**US. Toxic Substances Control Act**

All components of this product are on the TSCA Inventory or are exempt from TSCA Inventory requirements under 40 CFR 720.30

**European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)**

The components of this product are on the EINECS inventory or are exempt from inventory requirements.

**CEPA - Domestic Substances List (DSL)**

All substances contained in this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL) or are not required to be listed.

**Hazardous Products Act Information: CPR Compliance**

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Canadian Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

**Hazardous Products Act Information: WHMIS Classification**

This product is not a "Controlled Product" under WHMIS.

**16. Other Information****Product Literature**

Additional information on this product may be obtained by calling your Dow Chemical Company sales or customer service contact.

**Recommended Uses and Restrictions**

Main application(s): Water treatment. Food processing.

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**Legend**

N/A	Not available
W/W	Weight/Weight
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit
TWA	Time Weighted Average
ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, Inc.
DOW IHG	Dow Industrial Hygiene Guideline
WEEL	Workplace Environmental Exposure Level
HAZ_DES	Hazard Designation
VOL/VOL	Volume/Volume

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