Safety Data Sheet  

**SurfEtch™ 15 Top Surface Retarder**

1. Identification

**Product name** : SurfEtch™ 15 Top Surface Retarder  
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INTERNATIONAL: 703-527-3887  
**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use** : For further information, refer to product data sheet.

2. Hazards identification

**GHS Classification**  
Eye irritation, Category 2A  
H319: Causes serious eye irritation.

**GHS label elements**  
**Hazard pictograms** :  
[![Exclamation mark](image)]  
**Signal Word** : Warning  
**Hazard Statements** : H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
**Precautionary Statements** : **Prevention:**  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P280 Wear eye protection/ face protection.  
**Response:**  
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.

See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.  
There are no hazards not otherwise classified that have been identified during the classification.
process. There are no ingredients with unknown acute toxicity used in a mixture at a concentration >= 1%.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Hazardous ingredients

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<th>CAS-No.</th>
<th>Concentration (%)</th>
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<td>tartaric acid</td>
<td>87-69-4</td>
<td>&gt;= 5 - &lt; 10 %</td>
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<td>citric acid</td>
<td>77-92-9</td>
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There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section.

4. First aid measures

If inhaled : Move to fresh air.
Consult a physician after significant exposure.

In case of skin contact : Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately.
Wash off with soap and plenty of water.
If symptoms persist, call a physician.

In case of eye contact : Immediately flush eye(s) with plenty of water.
Remove contact lenses.
Keep eye wide open while rinsing.
If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist.

If swallowed : Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.
Do not induce vomiting without medical advice.
Do not give milk or alcoholic beverages.
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed : Excessive lachrymation
See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

Irritant effects
Causes serious eye irritation.

Protection of first-aiders : Move out of dangerous area.
Consult a physician.
Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

Notes to physician : Treat symptomatically.

5. Fire-fighting measures
Suitable extinguishing media: Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Specific extinguishing methods: Collect contaminated fire extinguishing water separately. This must not be discharged into drains. Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters: In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures: Use personal protective equipment. Deny access to unprotected persons.

Environmental precautions: Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up: Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel, acid binder, universal binder, sawdust). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. Handling and storage

Advice on safe handling: Avoid exceeding the given occupational exposure limits (see section 8). Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Smoking, eating and drinking should be prohibited in the application area. Follow standard hygiene measures when handling chemical products.

Conditions for safe storage: Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Store in accordance with local regulations.

Materials to avoid: No data available

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

Engineering measures: Use of adequate ventilation should be sufficient to control worker exposure to airborne contaminants. If the use of this product generates dust, fumes, gas, vapor or mist, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure below any recommended or statutory limits.
Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection: Use a properly fitted NIOSH approved air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. The filter class for the respirator must be suitable for the maximum expected contaminant concentration (gas/vapor/aerosol/particulates) that may arise when handling the product. If this concentration is exceeded, self-contained breathing apparatus must be used.

Hand protection
Remarks: Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary.

Eye protection: Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary.

Skin and body protection: Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place.

Hygiene measures: Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance: liquid
Color: green
Odor: mild
Odor Threshold: No data available
Flash point: Note: Not applicable
Ignition temperature: No data available
Decomposition temperature: No data available
Lower explosion limit (Vol%): No data available
Upper explosion limit (Vol%): No data available
Flammability (solid, gas): No data available
Oxidizing properties: No data available
10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity : No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Chemical stability : The product is chemically stable.
Possibility of hazardous reactions : Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Conditions to avoid : No data available
Incompatible materials : No data available

11. Toxicological information

Acute toxicity
Not classified based on available information.

Ingredients:
tartaric acid:
Acute oral toxicity : LD50 Oral (Rat): 2,001 - 5,000 mg/kg
Acute dermal toxicity : LD50 Dermal (Rabbit): > 5,001 mg/kg
citric acid:
Acute oral toxicity : LD50 Oral (Rat): 11,700 mg/kg
Acute dermal toxicity: LD50 Dermal (Rat): > 2,000 mg/kg

**Skin corrosion/irritation**
Not classified based on available information.

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
Causes serious eye irritation.

**Product:**
Result: Eye irritation

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**
Skin sensitization: Not classified based on available information.
Respiratory sensitization: Not classified based on available information.

**Germ cell mutagenicity**
Not classified based on available information.

**Reproductive toxicity**
Not classified based on available information.

**STOT-single exposure**
Not classified based on available information.

**STOT-repeated exposure**
Not classified based on available information.

**Aspiration toxicity**
Not classified based on available information.

**Carcinogenicity**
Not classified based on available information.

**IARC**
Not applicable

**NTP**
Not applicable

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12. Ecological information

Other information
Do not empty into drains; dispose of this material and its container in a safe way.
Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

**Component:**

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**Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates:**
EC50  
Species: Daphnia  
Dose: 93.3 mg/l  
Exposure time: 48 h  

Citric acid  
77-92-9  
Toxicity to fish:  
LC50  
Species: Fish  
Dose: 440 - 760 mg/l  
Exposure time: 96 h  

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates:  
EC50  
Species: Daphnia magna (Water flea)  
Dose: 120 mg/l  
Exposure time: 48 h  

13. Disposal considerations  

Disposal methods  
Waste from residues: 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 local authority requirements.  

Contaminated packaging: Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.  

14. Transport information  

DOT  
Not dangerous goods  
IATA  
Not dangerous goods  
IMDG  
Not dangerous goods  

Special precautions for user  
No data available  

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code  
Not applicable  

15. Regulatory information  

TSCA list: All chemical substances in this product are either listed on the TSCA Inventory or are in compliance with a TSCA Inventory
exemption.

**EPCRA - Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know**

**CERCLA Reportable Quantity**
This material does not contain any components with a CERCLA RQ.

**SARA304 Reportable Quantity**
This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**
- Serious eye damage or eye irritation

**SARA 302**
- This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

**SARA 313**
- This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**Clean Air Act**

**Ozone-Depletion Potential**
This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

This product does not contain any hazardous air pollutants (HAP), as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112 (40 CFR 61).

This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112(r) for Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130, Subpart F).

**California Prop 65**
This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.

### 16. Other information

**HMIS Classification**

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