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Iodine Crystals

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**SECTION 1 PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION**  
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**Product Name:** Iodine Crystals                      **Common Synonyms:** Iodine sublimed

**Chemical Formula:** I<sub>2</sub>                                      **Molecular Wt.:** 253.81

**CAS No.:** 7553-56-2                                      **Product Use:** Laboratory Reagent.

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**Emergency Telephone Numbers:**

Humco Holding Group      800-662-3435

Chemtrec                      800-424-9300  
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**SECTION 2 COMPONENTS**  
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<u>Components</u>	<u>CAS No.</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Hazardous</u>
Iodine	7553-56-2	100	Yes

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**SECTION 3 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**  
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**Emergency Overview**

**Poison! Danger!** Corrosive. Causes severe irritation or burns to every area of contact. May be fatal if swallowed or inhaled. Vapors cause severe irritation to skin, eyes and respiratory tract. Strong oxidizer. Contact with other material may cause fire. Affects the cardiovascular and central nervous systems. May cause allergic skin or respiratory reaction.

**HAZARD RATING SYSTEMS**

		KEY	4 = Severe
Health	3		3 = Serious
Flammability	0		2 = Moderate
Reactivity	1		1 = Slight
Other (oxidizer)			0 = None

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### SECTION 3

### HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION Cont'd

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#### Potential Health Effects

**Inhalation:** Corrosive. Vapors severely irritate and can burn the mucous membranes and respiratory tract. Excessive tears, rhinitis, tightness in the chest, sore throat, headache and delayed pulmonary edema can result. Inhalation of concentrated vapors may be fatal.

**Ingestion:** Corrosive. Can cause severe burns of the mouth, throat and stomach. Causes abdominal pain, diarrhea, fever, vomiting, stupor and shock. Probable lethal dose is 2 to 4 gm of free iodine.

**Skin Contact:** Corrosive. Liquid contact may cause blistering burns, irritation, and pain. Vapors may be severely irritating to the skin.

**Eye Contact:** Corrosive. Vapors are severely irritating and may cause damage to the eyes. Contact may cause severe burns and permanent eye damage.

**Chronic Exposure:** Chronic exposure to iodine may cause insomnia, conjunctivitis, inflammation of the nasal mucous, bronchitis, tremor, rapid heart beat, diarrhea and weight loss. Allergic sensitization may occur.

**Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions:** Persons with pre-existing skin disorders or eye problems or impaired respiratory function, or disease of the thyroid, lungs, or kidney may be more susceptible to the effects of this substance.

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### SECTION 4

### FIRST AID MEASURES

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**Ingestion:** Induce vomiting immediately as directed by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention immediately.

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention immediately. Observe for the development of pulmonary edema.

**Skin Contact:** Wipe off excess material from skin then immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention immediately. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Iodine stains can be removed by immediately washing skin with 5% Sodium Thiosulfate solution.

**Eye Contact:** In case of eye contact, immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Get medical attention immediately.

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### SECTION 5

### FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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**Fire:** Not combustible, but substance is a strong oxidizer and its heat of reaction with reducing agents or combustibles may cause ignition.

**Explosion:** Contact with oxidizable substances and incompatibles may cause extremely violent combustion.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire. Water spray may be used to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

**Special Firefighting Procedures:** In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

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### SECTION 6

### ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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Notify safety personnel of iodine spill or leaks. Ventilate area of leak or spill. Wear protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Isolate hazard area. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Collect and containerize as much solid iodine as possible. Cover the spill area with an excess of reducing agent (sodium thiosulfate, bisulfate, or ferrous salts in 3M sulfuric acid) and then neutralize with soda ash. Collect slurry into approved containers.

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### SECTION 7

### HANDLING & STORAGE

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Keep in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, ventilated area away from sources of heat or ignition. Protect against physical damage. Store separately from reactive or combustible materials, and out of direct sunlight. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty since they retain product residues (dust, solids); observe all warnings and precautions listed for the product.

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### SECTION 8

### EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

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#### Airborne Exposure Limits:

OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL): 0.1 ppm Ceiling

ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TLV/TWA): 0.1 ppm (STEL) Ceiling

**Ventilation:** A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below the Airborne Exposure Limits. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area. Please refer to the ACGIH document, "Industrial Ventilation, A Manual of Recommended Practices", most recent edition, for details.

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### SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION Cont'd

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**Personal Respiratory (NIOSH Approved):** If the exposure limit is exceeded, wear a supplied air, full-facepiece respirator, airtight hood, or full-facepiece self-contained breathing apparatus. This substance has unknown warning properties.

**Skin Protection:** Wear impervious protective clothing, including boots, gloves, lab coat, apron or coveralls, as appropriate, to prevent skin contact.

**Eye Protection:** Use chemical safety goggles and/or a full face shield where splashing is possible. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

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### SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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**Appearance:** Bluish-black crystals; metallic luster

**Odor:** Pungent odor.

**Specific Gravity:** 4.98

**pH:** 5.4 (saturated solution)

**% Volatiles by Volume @ 21°C (70°F):** <1

**Boiling Point:** 184°C (363°F) (sublimes)

**Melting Point:** 114°C (237°F)

**Vapor Density (Air=1):** 8.8

**Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):** NF

**Vapor Pressure (mm Hg):** 0.3 @ 20°C (68°F)

**Solubility:** Slight Water solubility (0.03 g/100 g water @ 20°C)

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### SECTION 10 STABILITY & REACTIVITY

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**Stability:** Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Toxic gases and vapors may be released if involved in a fire.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

**Incompatibles:** Incompatible with ammonia, powdered metals, alkali metals, or strong reducing agents. Reaction can be violent or explosive with acetaldehyde and acetylene. Reacts with ammonia hydroxide to form shock-sensitive iodides on drying.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Heat, sunlight and poor ventilation.

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### SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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Oral rat LD50: 14gm/kg; Human LDLo: 28 mg/kg; Investigated as a reproductive effector.

**Results from Corrositex™ Testing:** > 60 minutes, non-corrosive.

#### Cancer Lists

<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>NTP Carcinogen</u>		<u>IARC Category</u>
	<u>Known</u>	<u>Anticipated</u>	
Iodine (7553-56-2)	No	No	None

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### SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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**Environmental Fate:** No information found.

**Environmental Toxicity:** No information found.

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### SECTION 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be managed in an appropriate and approved waste facility. Although not a listed RCRA hazardous waste, this material may exhibit one or more characteristics of a hazardous waste and require appropriate analysis to determine specific disposal requirements. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations.

Dispose of containers and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

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### SECTION 14 TRANSPORTATION DATA & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Not regulated.

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### SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION

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#### Chemical Inventory Status – Part 1

<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>Part 1</u>				<u>Part 2</u>			
	<u>TSCA</u>	<u>EC</u>	<u>Japan</u>	<u>Australia</u>	<u>Korea</u>	<u>Canada DSL</u>	<u>NDSL</u>	<u>Phil.</u>
Iodine (7553-56-2)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes

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### SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION Cont'd

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#### Federal, State and International Regulations - Part 1

#### Part 2

Ingredient	--SARA 302--		-----SARA 313-----		CERCLA	RCRA 261.33	TSCA 8(d)
	RQ	TPQ	List	Chemical Catg.			
Iodine (7553-56-2)	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

**Chemical Weapons Convention:** No                      **TSCA 12(b):** No                      **CDTA:** No

**SARA 311/312:**    **Acute:** Yes                      **Chronic:** Yes                      **Fire:** Yes                      **Pressure:** No  
                         **Reactivity:** No                      (Pure/Solid)

**Australian Hazchem Code:** 2X                      **Australian Poison Schedule:** S6

**WHMIS:** This MSDS has been prepared according to the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

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### SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION

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#### HAZARD RATING SYSTEMS

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**Label Precautions:** Do not breathe vapor or mist. Store in a tightly closed container. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not store near combustible materials. Keep from contact with clothing and other combustible materials. Remove and wash contaminated clothing promptly.

**Label First Aid:** If swallowed, induce vomiting immediately as directed by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. IF inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. In case of contact, wipe off excess material from skin then immediately flush eyes or skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. In all cases get medical attention immediately.

