

# **Battery Information Sheet**

# Primary Li-MnO<sub>2</sub> cells and packs

According to REACH regulation (EC 1907/2006, Art 31) and to OSHA regulation (29 CFR 1910.1200), batteries are **ARTICLES** with no intended release. As such, they are not covered by legal requirements to generate and supply an SDS or an MSDS.

This Battery Information Sheet is provided solely as an information document for the purpose of assisting our customers, as an "Article Safety Datasheet".

# 1. IDENTIFICATION

All data are valid for cells and packs as long no other information is given.

#### 1.1 Product

Lithium Manganese dioxide primary cells and packs composed of these cells

# 1.2 Supplier

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| Address      | Industriestrasse 22, 63654 BÜDINGEN - Germany                      |
| Phone/Fax    | +49 (0)6042 954 150 / +49 (0)6042 954 490                          |
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1.3 Emergency contact Chemtrec US Service within the USA: +800 424 93 00/ outside: +1 703 527 3887 (English)

For M cells: +49(0) 6042-954-599 (German and English)



# 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Not chemically dangerous with normal use in accordance with Saft recommendations as stated in the user manuals or other similar documentation. Under normal conditions of use, the electrode materials and electrolyte they contain are not released to the outside, provided that the battery integrity is maintained and seals remain intact. Exposure to the ingredients contained within or their combustion products could be harmful.

Risk of exposure only in case of abuse (mechanical, thermal, electrical) which leads to the activation of safety valves and/or the rupture of the battery containers. In particular, the battery should not be opened, burned or stored/used above the specified temperature range (for more details see Section 4). Electrolyte leakage or battery venting/explosion/fire may follow, depending upon the circumstances.

#### **Protection from charging:**

Whenever lithium batteries are not the single power source in a circuit, the following measures recommended by Underwriters Laboratories are relevant. The cells should not be connected with an electrical power source that would increase the load through the cells. The electronic circuit shall include one of the following:

A. Two suitable diodes or the equivalent in series with the cells to prevent any reverse (charging) current. The second diode is used to provide protection in the event that one would fail. Quality control, or equivalent procedures, shall be established by the device manufacturer to check that the diode polarity is correct for each unit.

or

B. A blocking diode or the equivalent to prevent any reverse (charging) current and a resistor to limit current in case of diode failure. The resistor should be sized to limit the reverse (charging) current to the maximum value according to the data sheet of the cell.

# Hazards in case of opened cells by released material:

EYE CONTACT: Can cause eye irritation. Dust may cause inflammation of eyelids.

**SKIN CONTACT:** Can cause skin irritation.

**INHALATION:** Can cause respiratory tract and mucus membrane irritation. If gas is generated during battery disassembly, throat irritation may occur.

**INGESTION:** Can be poisoning if swallowed.

# 3. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION OR INGREDIENTS

# 3.1 At cell level

#### 3.2

| Component             | CAS Number       | EINECS/EL | INCS Content | (wt. %)*  |           |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| Lithium               | 7439-93-2        | 231-102-5 | 3-4          |           |           |
| Manganese dioxide     |                  |           | 1313-13-9    | 215-202-6 | 40-50     |
| Organic electrolyte** |                  | N/A       | N/A          | 15-25     |           |
| Carbon                |                  |           | 1338-86-4    |           | 1-5       |
| Copper                |                  |           | 7440-50-8    | 231-159-6 | 1-15      |
| Aluminium             |                  |           | 7429-90-5    | 231-072-3 | 1-20      |
| Stainless steel,      | Nickel, inert ma | aterial   | N/A          | N/A       | remainder |

<sup>\*</sup> Quantities vary with cell type

## 3.3 At battery pack level

Depending on the type of battery pack the content may vary but will not exceed the given content ranges.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Contains 1,2-Dimethoxyethane (CAS 110-71-4, EINECS 603-031-00-3), content < 3 % listed on REACH candidate list since June 2012



# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES (not anticipated under normal use)

# 4.1. Electrolyte contact

EYE CONTACT: Irrigate thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.

**SKIN CONTACT**: Wash off skin thoroughly with tap water. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. In severe cases obtain medical attention.

**INHALATION:** Remove from exposure, rest and keep warm. In severe cases obtain medical attention.

**INGESTION:** Wash out mouth thoroughly with water and give plenty of water to drink. Obtain medical attention.

**FURTHER TREATMENT**: All cases of eye contamination, persistent skin irritation and casualties who have swallowed this substance or been affected by breathing its vapours should be seen by a doctor.

#### 4.2. Lithium metal contact

**EYE CONTACT:** Immediately flush with large quantities of water for at least 15 minutes, with open eyelids, and get medical attention.

**SKIN CONTACT:** Remove particles of lithium from skin as quick as possible. Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and get medical attention.

**INHALATION/INGESTION:** Contents of an opened cell may cause respiratory tract and mucus membrane irritation. Remove from exposure, rest and keep warm. Immediately inhale Cortisone spray. In severe cases, track medical surveillance for 48 hours.

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES (not anticipated under normal use)

#### **ESTINGUISHING MEDIA:**

- Li-MnO<sub>2</sub> cells and batteries: CO<sub>2</sub> extinguishers or, even preferably, copious quantities of water or water-based foam can be used to cool down burning Li-MnO<sub>2</sub> cells and batteries, as long as the extent of the fire has not progressed to the point that the lithium metal they contain is exposed (marked by deep red flames).
- Raw lithium: Use only metal (Class D) extinguishers
- Do not use sand, dry powder or soda ash, graphite powder or fire blankets.

#### **SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** Fire fighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

Use approved / certified vapour respirator to avoid breathing toxic fumes. Wear protective clothing and equipment to prevent potential body contact with electrolyte solution. It is permissible to use any class of extinguishing medium, specified above, on these batteries or their packing material. Cool exterior of batteries if exposed to fire to prevent rupture.

PARTICULAR HAZARDS RESULTING FROM EXPOSURE TO THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION, TO COMBUSTION AND GAS PRODUCTS: The cell can release vaporized or decomposed electrolyte fumes when being heated to temperatures above their temperature rating. Solvents within the electrolyte are flammable liquids and must be kept away from any kind of ignition source.

Above 160°C (+356°F) cells / packs may explode and release sparks, metallic parts and burning lithium.



# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES (not anticipated under normal use)

**INDIVIDUAL PRECAUTIONS:** Evacuate the employees from the contaminated area until fumes dispersal. In case of electrolyte leakage from a cell or battery, do not inhale the gas as possible. In case of skin or eye contact, inhalation or ingestion, follow the measures described in section 12.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTION:** Avoid sewage, surface water and underground water contamination. Avoid ground and atmosphere contamination.

**WAYS OF CLEANING:** Wearing protective glasses and gloves, use absorbent material (sand, earth or vermiculite) to absorb any exuded material. Seal leaking battery (unless hot) and contaminated absorbent material in plastic bag and dispose of as Special waste in accordance with local regulations.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The battery should not be opened without Saft approval, destroyed or incinerated since the battery may cause fire or the ingredients contained in the cells could be harmful under some circumstances if exposed.

The Lithium Manganese dioxide cells described in this Battery Information Sheet are sealed units which are not hazardous when used according to the recommendations of the manufacturer.

#### STORAGE:

- Store in a cool, dry place but prevent condensation on cells and batteries.
- Elevated temperatures can result in shortened battery life and degrade performance.
- Do not store batteries in high humidity environments for long periods of times.
- Since short circuit can cause burn hazard, leakage or explosion hazard, keep batteries in original packaging until use and do not mix them.
- Keep original packaging for return of cells or battery packs to the supplier.

### **HANDLING:**

- Do not recharge
- Do not over-discharge or force discharge
- Do not short (+) or (-) terminal with conductors.
- Do not reverse the polarity
- Do not open the battery packs or cells
- Do not submit to excessive mechanical stress (puncture, crush, deformation etc.).
- Do not expose to water or condensation, oxidizing or reducing agents, acids or bases.
- Do not expose to temperatures above the temperature rating of battery.
- Do not directly heat, solder or throw into fire.
- Immediately disconnect the batteries if, during operation, they emit an unusual smell, feel hot, change shape, or appear abnormal in any other way. Put straight into a bucket of water. Contact Saft if any of these problems are observed.

#### **BATTERY PACK ASSEMBLY:**

The design and assembly of battery packs require special skills, expertise and experience. Therefore it is not recommended that the end user attempts to self-assemble battery packs. It is preferable that any battery using lithium cells is fabricated by Saft to ensure proper battery design and construction. A full battery assembly service is available from Saft which can be contacted for further information. If for any reason, this is not possible, Saft can review the pack design in confidence to ensure that the design is safe (in assembly and use) and capable of meeting stated performance requirements.

#### OTHER:

Follow Manufacturers recommendations regarding maximum recommended currents and operating temperature range.



# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION\* (not necessary under normal use)

# Handle an opened battery or cell only in a well-ventilated place.

| Respiratory protection | In case of incident or after an abusive use, in case of a cell opening or a leak, use gas mask which covers the whole face and equipped with ABEK type filters or escape mask type Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus.  Fire fighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus. |
|------------------------|---|
| Hand protection        | Use polypropylene, polyethylene, rubber or Viton gloves when handling leaking or ruptured cells.  |
| Eye<br>protection      | In case of incident or after an abusive use, in case of a leak or cell opening, wear safety glasses with protected side shields or a mask covering the whole face when handling leaking or ruptured cells   |
| Other                  | In the event of leakage or ruptured cells, wear a rubber apron and protective clothes.  |

<sup>\*</sup>AFNOR pictograms

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

The lithium-MnO<sub>2</sub> cells or batteries described by this Battery Information Sheet are sealed units when offered for sale. They are manufactured "articles" and do not expose the user to hazardous chemicals when used in accordance with manufacturer specifications.

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Product is stable under conditions described in Section 4.

The following hazards may occur under abuse conditions in case of cell opening:

**HAZARDOUS REACTIONS:** Lithium released from the cell may react with water in the atmosphere and produce hydrogen, which is a highly flammable gas.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** Thermal decomposition of the cell may release electrolyte liquid and vapour, harmful materials, and dusts.

MATERIALS TO AVOID: Oxidizing agents, bases, water.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** Do not heat above the temperature given in the data sheet of the specified cell or incinerate. Do not disassemble, crush, pierce, short, charge or recharge. Avoid mechanical or electrical abuse.

#### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Risk of irritation occurs only if the cell is mechanically, thermally or electrically abused to the point of compromising the enclosure. If this occurs, irritation to the skin, eyes and respiratory tract may occur.

1,2-Dimethoxyethane (EGDME) may impair fertility and may cause harm to unborn child. EGDME is listed on the REACH candidate list as SVHC since June 2012.



# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

None known if used/disposed of correctly

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Battery recycling is either mandatory (European Directive 2006/66/EC) or recommended.

Since even cells and batteries discharged to their cut-off voltage can still contain considerable amounts of energy, terminals should always be protected to avoid short circuits.

Dispose in accordance with local laws and regulations (contact your local dealer). Store material for disposal as indicated in Section 4.

Do NOT dump into any sewers, on the ground or into any body of water. For large quantities a disposal service is offered on request.

See the section on "Sustainability & Environment" on <a href="https://www.saftbatteries.com/about-us/environmental-responsibility">https://www.saftbatteries.com/about-us/environmental-responsibility</a>



# 14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Persons engaged in the transport of dangerous goods shall be trained in the contents of dangerous goods requirements commensurate with their responsibilities (Chapter 1.3, UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods Model Regulations).

To verify that the Saft cells or batteries have been tested for transport according to the UN Model Regulations, Manual of Tests and Criteria, Part III, subsection 38.3, please perform the below two steps;

- 1. Go on-line to <a href="https://customerportal.saftbatteries.com/tsr">https://customerportal.saftbatteries.com/tsr</a> or scan the QR Code:
- 2. Enter the cell or battery part number from the transport documents (Waybill or Packing Slip) and click "Search" to receive a PDF copy of the relevant UN 38.3 Test Summary Report for the product being shipped.



# 14.1 UN Class 9 Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods

| Proper shipping Name                           | Class | UN No. |
|--|-------|--------|
| LITHIUM METAL BATTERIES                        | 9     | 3090   |
| LITHIUM METAL BATTERIES CONTAINED IN EQUIPMENT | 9     | 3091   |
| LITHIUM METAL BATTERIES PACKED WITH EQUIPMENT  | 9     | 3091   |

# 14.2 International Agreements

By Air International: IATA: DGR Edition 2021 (62nd) IMDG: Code 2020 Edition By Sea International: European road transportation: ADR: 1 January 2021

European rail transportation: RID: Dangerous Goods by Rail 2021

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Regulations specifically applicable to the product:

- ACGIH and OSHA: see exposure limits of the internal components of the battery in section 14.
- IATA/ICAO (air transportation): UN 3090 or UN 3091.
- IMDG (sea transportation): UN 3090 or UN 3091.
- Transportation within the US-DOT, 49 Code of Federal Regulations
- UK regulatory references: Classified under CHIP.
- Battery Directive (2006/66/EC): see section 9



# 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Friemann & Wolf Lithium MnO<sub>2</sub>-cells are registered by Underwriters Laboratories, Northbrook, USA under File-No. MH 46385, Project-No.: 08CA08489.

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