



**Charger Industries**

# SAFETY DATA SHEET / MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## Section 1 – Identification

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**Product Name:** Lithium Thionyl Chloride Batteries

**Manufacturer Name:** Charger Industries

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## Section 2 – Hazard Identification

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**\*\*DANGER\*\* INTERNAL CONTENTS ARE EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS. LEAKING FLUID IS CORROSIVE. BATTERY MAY BE EXPLOSIVE AT HIGHER TEMPERATURES.**

Do not expose to temperatures above temperature rating of battery due to leak hazard.

**If cell or battery leaks or vents:**

- **Primary Routes of Entry:** Inhalation
- **Carcinogenic:** Not listed by NTP, IARC, or regulated by OSHA.
- **Health Hazards:**
  - **Acute** - Vapors are very irritating to skin, eyes, and mucous membranes. Inhalation of thionyl chloride may result in pulmonary edema.
  - **Chronic** - Overexposure can cause symptoms of non-fibrotic lung injury
- **Signs and Symptoms of Exposure:** Eye and mucous membrane irritation.
- **Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated by Exposure:** Asthma, other respiratory disorders, skin allergies, and eczema.

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## Section 3 – Composition/Information on Ingredients

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NAME	CAS#	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV
Lithium (Li)	7439-93-2	N/A	Not established
Thionyl Chloride	7719-09-7	1.0 ppm (4.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.0 ppm (4.9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Lithium Chloride	7447-41-8	Not established	Not established

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## Section 4 – First Aid Measures

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**Eye Contact:** Flush with running water for at least 15 minutes. Hold eyelids apart. Seek immediate medical attention. Contact results in acidic burns.

**Skin Contact:** Rinse with large amounts of running water. Avoid hot water and rubbing skin. If burns develop, seek medical attention. Contact results in acidic burns.

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. May result in pulmonary edema.

**Ingestion:** Drink copious amounts of water (or milk if available). Do not induce vomiting. NEVER GIVE ANYTHING BY MOUTH TO AN UNCONSCIOUS PERSON. Immediately seek medical attention.

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## Section 5 – Fire-fighting Measures

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**Flash Point:** N/A

**Auto-Ignition Temp:** N/A

**Flammable Limits:** N/A

**Extinguisher Media:** Copious amounts of water, Lith-X powder, Class D fire extinguisher, Dry Lithium Chloride, Graphite Powder, Pyrene G1

**Special Fire Fighting Procedures:** Cover with Lith-X powder, Class D fire extinguisher, dry lithium chloride, or graphite powder. DO NOT USE WATER, moist sand, CO<sub>2</sub>, Class ABC, or soda ash extinguisher. Wear protective breathing apparatus; a positive pressure Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), or Air Purifying Respirator (APR).

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Do not short circuit, recharge, over discharge (discharge below 2.0 Volts), puncture, crush or expose to temperatures above 150C. Cell may leak, vent, or explode, If a bright white flame is present, lithium content is exposed and on fire; use a Class D fire extinguisher.

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## Section 6 – Accidental Release Measures

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**Accidental Releases:** Do not breathe vapors or touch liquid with bare hands (see section 4).

**Waste Disposal Methods:** Evacuate area. If possible, a trained person should attempt to stop or contain the leak by neutralizing spill with soda lime or baking soda. A NIOSH Approved Acid Gas Filter Mask or Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus should be worn. Seal leaking battery and soda lime or baking soda in a plastic bag and dispose of as hazardous waste.

**Other:** Follow North American Emergency Response Guide (NAERG) #138 for cells involved in an accident, cells that have vented, or have exploded.

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## Section 7 – Handling and Storage

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**Storage:** Cells should be stored at room temperature, approx. 21C (70 F)

**Precautions:** Do not short circuit or expose to temperatures above the maximum rated temperature as specified by the manufacturer. Do not recharge, over-discharge, puncture or crush.

**Shelf Life:** 10 years.

**Other Conditions:** Do not store cells in high humidity environments for long periods of time or in close proximity to other combustible / flammable materials.

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## Section 8 – Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

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**When handling internal components:**

- **Respiratory Protection:** NIOSH Approved Acid Gas Filter Mask, or Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus.
- **Protective Gloves:** Nitrile or PVC, Gloves should be 15 ml (0.015 in), or thicker.
- **Eye Protection:** Chemical Worker Safety Glasses or face shield.
- **Ventilation To Be Used:** Negative pressure chemical fume hood.
- **Other Protective Clothing & Equipment:** Chemical Laboratory Safety Glasses, Protective Apron, Acid Resistant Protective Clothing, and face shield.
- **Hygienic Work Practices:** Use good chemical hygiene practice. Do not eat or drink when handling contents. Avoid unnecessary contact.

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## Section 9 – Physical and Chemical Properties

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<b>Boiling Point:</b>	Thionyl Chloride: 77°C
<b>Vapor Pressure:</b>	Thionyl Chloride: 92mm @ 20°C
<b>Vapor Density:</b>	Thionyl Chloride: 4.1
<b>Solubility in Water:</b>	Thionyl Chloride: Decomposes violently on contact with water.
<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	Thionyl Chloride: 1.63
<b>Melting Point:</b>	Thionyl Chloride: -105°C
<b>Evaporation Rate:</b>	N/A
<b>Water Reactive:</b>	Thionyl Chloride hydrolyzes to form SO <sub>2</sub> and HCl gasses and strongly acidic wastewater.
<b>Appearance &amp; Odor:</b>	Thionyl Chloride - Colorless to pale yellow; sharp, pungent odor.

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## Section 10 – Stability and Reactivity

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**Stability:** Stable

**Conditions to Avoid:** Temperatures in excess of the maximum rated temperature as specified by the manufacturer. High humidity for extended periods.

**Incompatibility:** N/A

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Sulfur Dioxide (g), Hydrogen Chloride (g), Hydrogen (g).

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

**Other:** N/A

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## Section 11 – Toxicological Information

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### Acute Toxicity:

#### Thionyl Chloride

LC50 (Inhalation): 1274 ppm (rat 1-hr)

LD50: N/A

Eye Effects: Corrosive

Skin Effects: Corrosive

#### Aluminum Chloride

LC50 (Oral Rat): 3450 mg/kg

Fetotoxicity: Has adverse effects on growth and behavior

Eye Effects: Corrosive

Skin Effects: Corrosive

#### Gallium (III) Chloride

LC50 (Oral Rat): 4700 mg/kg

Eye Effects: Corrosive

Skin Effects: Corrosive

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## Section 12 – Ecological Information

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**Aquatic Toxicity:** Do not let internal components enter marine environments. Avoid releases into waterways, wastewater or groundwater.

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## Section 13 – Disposal Considerations

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**Proper Shipping Name:** WASTE LITHIUM METAL BATTERIES

**UN Number:** 3090 (UN 3091 for Lithium Metal Batteries Contained in Equipment or Lithium Metal Batteries Packed With Equipment)

**Hazard Classification:** Class 9 (Misc.)

**Packing Group:** II

**Labels Required:** MISCELLANEOUS HAZARDOUS WASTE

**Waste Disposal Code:** D003

**Other:** All lithium thionyl chloride batteries should be disposed of by a certified hazardous waste disposal facility. Contact Charger Industries for recommended disposal facilities.

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### Section 14 – Transport Information

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**US DOT (per 49 CFR 172.101) and IATA/ICAO**

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**Hazard Classification:** Class 9 (Misc.)

**Packing Group:** II

**Labels Required:** MISCELLANEOUS HAZARD CLASS 9

**Other:** CARGO AIRCRAFT ONLY

**Non-Hazardous Batteries:** If the batteries contain less than 1.0 grams of lithium or lithium alloy per battery pack, they are not restricted for shipping purposes by ground or air.

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### Section 15 – Regulatory Information

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**OSHA Status:** The internal component (thionyl chloride) is hazardous under the criteria of the Federal OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1920.1200.

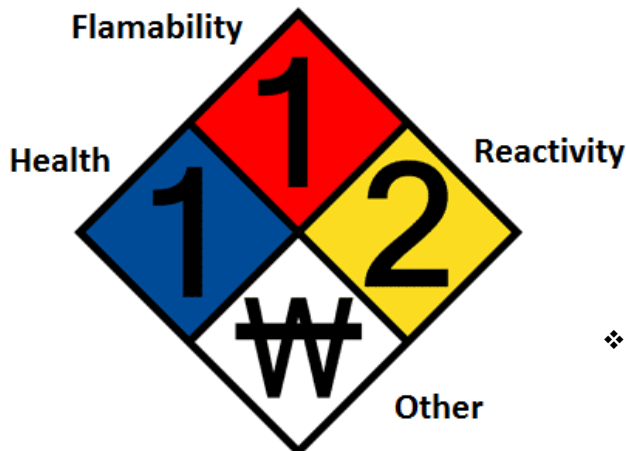
**Shipping Requirements:** Lithium metal batteries and cells are subject to the shipping requirements and exceptions under 49 CFR 173.185. All lithium/thionyl chloride cells with a lithium or lithium alloy content of greater than 0.5 grams and less than 12 grams are restricted, and they are subject to DOT (49 CFR) and IATA shipping regulations. Cells that contain less than 0.5 grams of lithium or lithium alloy and batteries that contain less than 1.0 grams of lithium or lithium alloy are unrestricted, and they can be shipped by any means [49 CFR 173.185(a)(c)]. Those batteries with lithium or lithium alloy content greater than 12 grams must be individually approved by the governing authority, and they cannot be shipped under these regulations.

**IATA:** Lithium metal batteries have to be separated to prevent external short circuits, and must be packed in inner fiberboard containers (no more than 500 grams of lithium per inner container). The containers may then be packed with at least one inch of non-combustible packing materials (vermiculite) separating each inner package in UN approved fiberboard boxes, steel drums, fiber drums, or wooden boxes. These packages must be printed with a United Nations Marking Symbol (section 6.0 of IATA shipping regulations).

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### Section 16 – Other Information

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- ❖ For cells or battery packs involved in an accident, cells that have vented, or exploded, follow the North American Emergency Response Guide (NAERG) #138