



SAFETY DATA SHEET

Q-tips Cotton Swabs – All Variants

Section 1. Identification

Product name : Q-tips Cotton Swabs – All Variants
Product type : Cotton Swab
UPC Code : 305210179004, 045895098246
Internal product code : M_83166915, 83166210

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses
Industrial uses
Consumer uses
Professional uses

Supplier's details : UNILEVER
 700 Sylvan Avenue
 Englewood Cliffs NJ 07632
 USA

Emergency telephone number (with hours of operation) : Phone #: 800-761-3683 Monday thru Friday (8:30 AM – 5:00 PM EST)
 Emergency #: 800-745-9269 (24 hours)
 Poison Control #: 800-949-7866 (24 hours)
 CHEMTREC #: 800-424-9300(24 hours, Transportation Emergencies)

Consumer Information:

For information regarding the use of this product by a consumer, please refer directly to the product label. This industrial MSDS is provided for workplace employees, per US OSHA regulations. It contains recommendations for handling of this product in an occupational, or workplace, setting.

Any first aid or warnings that are applicable to consumer use are stated directly on the product label, in accordance with all applicable government regulations.

Section 2. Hazards identification

OSHA/HCS status : While this material is not considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200), this MSDS contains valuable information critical to the safe handling and proper use of the product. This MSDS should be retained and available for employees and other users of this product.

Classification of the substance or mixture : Not classified.

GHS label elements

Signal word : No signal word.
Hazard statements : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Precautionary statements

General : Keep out of reach of children.
Prevention : Not applicable.
Response : Not applicable.

Storage : Not applicable.
Disposal : Not applicable.
Supplemental label elements : None known.
Hazards not otherwise classified : None known.

Section 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance/mixture : Mixture

CAS number/other identifiers

No hazardous components.

Any concentration shown as a range is to protect confidentiality or is due to batch variation.

There are no 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.

Occupational exposure limits, if available, are listed in Section 8.

Section 4. First-aid measures

Description of necessary first aid measures

Eye contact : Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Check for and remove any contact lenses. Get medical attention if irritation occurs.

- Inhalation** : Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
- Skin contact** : Flush contaminated skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
- Ingestion** : Wash out mouth with water. Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If material has been swallowed and the exposed person is conscious, give small quantities of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Potential acute health effects

- Eye contact** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Inhalation** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Skin contact** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
- Ingestion** : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Over-exposure signs/symptoms

- Eye contact** : No specific data.
- Inhalation** : No specific data.
- Skin contact** : No specific data.
- Ingestion** : No specific data.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

- Notes to physician** : Treat symptomatically. Contact poison treatment specialist immediately if large quantities have been ingested or inhaled.
- Specific treatments** : No specific treatment.
- Protection of first-aiders** : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training.

See toxicological information (Section 11)

Section 5. Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media** : Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.
- Unsuitable extinguishing media** : None known.
- NFPA 30B Classification** : Not available.

- Specific hazards arising from the chemical** : In a fire or if heated, a pressure increase will occur and the container may burst.
- Hazardous thermal decomposition products** : No specific data.

- Special protective actions for fire-fighters** : Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training.
- Special protective equipment for fire-fighters** : Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.

Section 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- For non-emergency personnel** : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Do not touch or walk through spilt material. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.
- For emergency responders** : If specialised clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in Section 8 on suitable and unsuitable materials. See also the information in "For non-emergency personnel".
- Environmental precautions** : Avoid dispersal of spilt material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air).

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

- Small spill** : Stop leak if without risk. Move containers from spill area. Dilute with water and mop up if water-soluble. Alternatively, or if water-insoluble, absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste disposal container. Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor.
- Large spill** : Stop leak if without risk. Move containers from spill area. Prevent entry into sewers, water courses, basements or confined areas. Wash spillages into an effluent treatment plant or proceed as follows. Contain and collect spillage with non-combustible, absorbent material e.g. sand, earth, vermiculite or diatomaceous earth and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see Section 13). Dispose of via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Note: see Section 1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.

Section 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

- Protective measures** : Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8).
- Advice on general occupational hygiene** : Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering

eating areas. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

- Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities** :
- Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in original container protected from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials (see Section 10) and food and drink. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Do not store in unlabeled containers. Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination.

Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Control parameters

Occupational exposure limits

None.

- Appropriate engineering controls** :
- Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control worker exposure to airborne contaminants.
- Environmental exposure controls** :
- Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. In some cases, fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.

Individual protection measures

- Hygiene measures** :
- Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
- Eye/face protection** :
- Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts. If contact is possible, the following protection should be worn, unless the assessment indicates a higher degree of protection: safety glasses with side-shields.

Skin protection

- Hand protection** :
- 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.
- Body protection** :
- Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.

- Other skin protection** : Appropriate footwear and any additional skin protection measures should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.
- Respiratory protection** : Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

Section 9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

- Physical state** : Solid paper stick with cotton on both ends
- Colour** : White
- Odour** : Not available
- Odour threshold** : Not available.
- pH** : Not available.
- Melting point** : Not applicable
- Boiling point** : Not available.
- Flash point** : Not available.
- Evaporation rate** : Not available.
- Flammability (solid, gas)** : Not available.
- Lower and upper explosive (flammable) limits** : **Lower:** Not available.
Upper: Not available.
- Vapour density** : Not available.
- Relative density** : Not available.
- Solubility** : Not available.
- Solubility in water** : Not available.
- Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water** : Not available.
- Auto-ignition temperature** : Not available.
- Decomposition temperature** : Not available.
- Viscosity** : **Dynamic:** Not available.
Kinematic: Not available.

Section 10. Stability and reactivity

- Reactivity** : No specific test data related to reactivity available for this product or its ingredients.
- Chemical stability** : The product is stable.
- Possibility of hazardous reactions** : Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.
- Conditions to avoid** : No specific data.
- Incompatible materials** : No specific data.

Hazardous decomposition products : Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced. Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

Section 11. Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

Conclusion/Summary : Very low toxicity to humans or animals.

Irritation/Corrosion

Conclusion/Summary

Skin : The mixture is not an irritant for the skin.
Eyes : The mixture is not an irritant for eyes.
Respiratory : Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Sensitisation

Conclusion/Summary

Skin : Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
Respiratory : Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Mutagenicity

Conclusion/Summary : Not applicable.

Carcinogenicity

Conclusion/Summary : Not classified or listed by IARC, NTP, OSHA, EU and ACGIH.

Reproductive toxicity

Conclusion/Summary : Not applicable.

Teratogenicity

Conclusion/Summary : Not applicable.

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

Not available.

Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)

Not available.

Aspiration hazard

Not available.

Information on the likely routes of exposure : Not available.

Potential acute health effects

Eye contact : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Inhalation : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Skin contact : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Ingestion : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Eye contact : No specific data.
Inhalation : No specific data.
Skin contact : No specific data.
Ingestion : No specific data.

Delayed and immediate effects and also chronic effects from short and long term exposure

Short term exposure

Potential immediate effects : Not available.
Potential delayed effects : Not available.

Long term exposure

Potential immediate effects : Not available.
Potential delayed effects : Not available.

Potential chronic health effects

Conclusion/Summary : Very low toxicity to humans or animals.
General : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Carcinogenicity : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Mutagenicity : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Teratogenicity : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Developmental effects : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Fertility effects : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Numerical measures of toxicity

Acute toxicity estimates

Route	ATE value
Oral	Not applicable

Section 12. Ecological information

Toxicity

Conclusion/Summary : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Persistence and degradability

Conclusion/Summary : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Conclusion/Summary : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Mobility in soil

Soil/water partition coefficient (KOC) : Not available.

Other adverse effects : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Section 13. Disposal considerations
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Disposal methods : The generation of waste should be avoided or minimised wherever possible. 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. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Waste should not be disposed of untreated to the sewer unless fully compliant with the requirements of all authorities with jurisdiction. Waste packaging should be recycled. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. Avoid dispersal of spilt material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

RCRA classification : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

United States - RCRA Acute hazardous waste "P" List: Not listed

United States - RCRA Toxic hazardous waste "U" List: Not listed

Section 14. Transport information
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FOR SHIPMENT IN CONSUMER PACKAGING	<u>GROUND</u>	<u>WATER</u>	<u>AIR</u>
PROPER SHIPPING NAME:	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
HAZARD CLASS:	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
UN/ID #:	None	None	None
PACKING GROUP:	None	None	None

REQUIRED MARKINGS and/or LABELS:	None	None	None
MARKINGS and/or LABEL TYPES:	None	None	None
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated

Special precautions for user : Transport within user's premises: always transport in closed containers that are upright and secure. Ensure that persons transporting the product have been trained in the event of an accident or spillage.'

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not available.

Section 15. Regulatory information

U.S. Federal regulations :

- United States - TSCA 8(d) - Health and safety studies:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 8(c) - Significant adverse reaction (SAR):** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 8(a) - Preliminary assessment report (PAIR):** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 8(a) - Chemical Data Reporting (CDR):** Not determined
- United States - TSCA 8(a) - Dioxin/Furan precursor:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 8(a) - Chemical risk rules:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 6 - Proposed risk management:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 6 - Final risk management:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 5(e) - Substances consent order:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 5(a)2 - Proposed significant new use rules:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 5(a)2 - Final significant new use rules:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 4(f) - Priority risk review:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 4(a) - Proposed test rules:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 4(a) - ITC Priority list:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 4(a) - Final Test Rules:** Not listed
- United States - TSCA 12(b) - Chemical export notification:** None of the components are listed.
- United States - EPA Clean water act (CWA) section 307 - Priority pollutants:** Not listed
- United States - EPA Clean water act (CWA) section 311 - Hazardous substances:** Not listed
- United States - EPA Clean air act (CAA) section 112 - Accidental release prevention - Flammable substances:** Not listed
- United States - EPA Clean air act (CAA) section 112 -**

Accidental release prevention - Toxic substances: Not listed
United States - Department of commerce - Precursor chemical:
 Not listed

Clean Air Act Section 112(b) : Not listed
Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)
Clean Air Act Section 602 Class I : Not listed
Substances
Clean Air Act Section 602 Class : Not listed
II Substances
DEA List I Chemicals (Precursor : Not listed
Chemicals)
DEA List II Chemicals (Essential : Not listed
Chemicals)

SARA 302/304 : Not applicable.

SARA 304 RQ : Not applicable.

SARA 311/312

Classification : Not applicable.

Composition/information on ingredients

No products were found.

SARA 313

None of the components are listed.

State regulations

Massachusetts : None of the components are listed.
New York : None of the components are listed.
New Jersey : None of the components are listed.
Pennsylvania : None of the components are listed.

US California 22CCR Appendix X Substances

: Not listed.

California Prop. 65 : Not available.

United States inventory (TSCA : Exempted
8b)

Canada inventory : Not determined.

International regulations

International lists : **Philippines inventory (PICCS):** Not determined.
New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC): Not determined.

Korea inventory: Not determined.
China inventory (IECSC): Not determined.
Japan inventory: Not determined.
Malaysia Inventory (EHS Register): Not determined.
Taiwan inventory (CSNN): Not determined.
Australia inventory (AICS): Not determined.

**Chemical Weapons Convention
List Schedule I Chemicals** : Not listed
**Chemical Weapons Convention
List Schedule II Chemicals** : Not listed
**Chemical Weapons Convention
List Schedule III Chemicals** : Not listed

Section 16. Other information

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Key to abbreviations : ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate
 ACGIH = American Conference of Governmental & Industrial Hygienists
 AH = Acute Hazard
 BCF = Bioconcentration Factor
 CAA = Clean Air Act
 CARB = California Air Resources Board
 CCR = California Code of Regulations
 CERCLA = Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation & Liability Act
 CFR = Code of Federal Regulations
 CH = Chronic Hazard
 CWA = Clean Water Act

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DEA = Drug Enforcement Administration
 DOT = Department of Transportation
 EC = European Commission
 EPCRA = Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act
 EST = Eastern Standard Time
 F = Fire
 HAPS = Hazardous Air Pollutants
 HCS = Hazard Communication Standard
 HMIS = Hazardous Materials Information System
 HVOC = High Volatile Organic Compound
 GHS = Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
 IARC = International Agency for the Research of Cancer
 IATA = International Air Transport Association
 IBC = Intermediate Bulk Container
 ICAO = International Civil Aviation Organization
 IMDG = International Maritime Dangerous Goods
 IMO = International Maritime Organization
 ITC = Interagency Testing Committee (TSCA)
 KOC = Organic Carbon/Water Partition Constant
 LogPow = logarithm of the octanol/water partition coefficient
 LVOC = Low Volatile Organic Compound
 MARPOL 73/78 = International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution From Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978. ("Marpol" = marine pollution)
 MPPCF = Million Particles Per Cubic Foot
 N/A = Not Applicable
 NFPA = National Fire Protection Association
 NOEC = No Observable Effect Concentration
 NTP = National Toxicology Program
 OSHA = Occupation Safety & Health Administration
 PEL = Permissible Exposure Limit
 RCRA = Resource Conservation & Recovery Act
 RQ = Reportable Quantity
 RTK = Right-To-Know
 SARA = Superfund Amendments & Reauthorization Act
 STEL = Short-Term Exposure Limit
 TBD = To Be Determined
 TCC = Tagliabue Closed Cup
 TCLP = Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure
 TDG = Transport of Dangerous Goods
 TLV = Threshold Limit Value
 TSCA = Toxic Substances Control Act
 TWA = Time Weighted Average
 UN = United Nations

References : Evaluation method used for mixture classification: Calculation method.

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