Material Safety Data Sheet
Barium Sulfate

ACC# 02510

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Barium Sulfate  
**Catalog Numbers:** B68-500, B75-12, B75-212, B75-250LB, B75-500  
**Synonyms:** Artificial barite; enamel white; permanent white; sulfuric acid barium salt.  
**Company Identification:**  
Fisher Scientific  
1 Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
**For information, call:** 201-796-7100  
**Emergency Number:** 201-796-7100  
**For CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 800-424-9300  
**For International CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 703-527-3887

Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

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<td>Barium sulfate</td>
<td>&gt;99</td>
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Section 3 - Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Appearance: white to yellow solid.  
**Caution!** May cause eye and skin irritation. May cause respiratory tract irritation. May cause lung damage.  
**Target Organs:** Lungs.

**Potential Health Effects**  
**Eye:** Dust may cause mechanical irritation.  
**Skin:** Dust may cause mechanical irritation.  
**Ingestion:** No hazard expected in normal industrial use.  
**Inhalation:** No hazard expected in normal industrial use.  
**Chronic:** Repeated exposure may cause baritosis characterized by deposition of particulate matter in the lung.

Section 4 - First Aid Measures
Eyes: Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid.

Skin: Flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes.

Ingestion: If victim is conscious and alert, give 2-4 cupfuls of milk or water. Get medical aid immediately.

Inhalation: Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. Get medical aid.

Notes to Physician: Treat symptomatically and supportively.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

General Information: As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. Material will not burn.

Extinguishing Media: Use extinguishing media most appropriate for the surrounding fire.

Flash Point: Not applicable.

Autoignition Temperature: Not applicable.

Explosion Limits, Lower: Not available.

Upper: Not available.

NFPA Rating: (estimated) Health: 1; Flammability: 0; Instability: 0

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

General Information: Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

Spills/Leaks: Vacuum or sweep up material and place into a suitable disposal container. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Provide ventilation.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

Handling: Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Use with adequate ventilation. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid breathing dust.

Storage: Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances.

Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

Engineering Controls: Use adequate general or local exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below the permissible exposure limits.

Exposure Limits

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<td>10 mg/m3 TWA</td>
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OSHA Vacated PELs: Barium sulfate: 10 mg/m³ TWA (total dust); 5 mg/m³ TWA (respirable fraction)

Personal Protective Equipment

Eyes: Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA’s eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

Skin: Wear impervious gloves.

Clothing: Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respirators: Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State: Solid
Appearance: white to yellow
Odor: odorless
pH: Not available.
Vapor Pressure: Not applicable.
Vapor Density: Not applicable.
Evaporation Rate: Negligible.
Viscosity: Not applicable.
Boiling Point: Not applicable.
Freezing/Melting Point: 1580 deg C
Decomposition Temperature: Not available.
Solubility: Insoluble.
Specific Gravity/Density: 4.4 (Water = 1)
Molecular Formula: BaSO₄
Molecular Weight: 233.4

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Chemical Stability: Stable at room temperature in closed containers under normal storage and handling conditions.
Conditions to Avoid: Dust generation.
Incompatibilities with Other Materials: Aluminum + heat.
Hazardous Decomposition Products: Oxides of sulfur, barium fume.
Hazardous Polymerization: Has not been reported.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS#: 
CAS#: 7727-43-7: CR0600000; CR0630000
LD₅₀/LC₅₀:
Not available.
Carcinogenicity:
CAS# 7727-43-7: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

Epidemiology: No information available.
Teratogenicity: No information available.
Reproductive Effects: No information available.
Mutagenicity: No information available.
Neurotoxicity: No information available.
Other Studies:

Section 12 - Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: No data available. No information available.
Environmental: No information reported.
Physical: No information available.
Other: None.

Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.
RCRA P-Series: None listed.
RCRA U-Series: None listed.

Section 14 - Transport Information

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Section 15 - Regulatory Information

US FEDERAL

TSCA
CAS# 7727-43-7 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

Health & Safety Reporting List
None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

Chemical Test Rules
None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.
Section 12b
None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

TSCA Significant New Use Rule
None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs
None of the chemicals in this material have an RQ.

SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances
None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

SARA Codes
CAS # 7727-43-7: immediate.

Section 313
This material contains Barium sulfate (listed as Barium compounds, n.o.s.), >99%, (CAS# 7727-43-7) which is subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of SARA Title III and 40 CFR Part 373.

Clean Air Act:
This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants.
This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depletors.
This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depletors.

Clean Water Act:
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA.
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Priority Pollutants under the CWA.
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Toxic Pollutants under the CWA.

OSHA:
None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

STATE
CAS# 7727-43-7 can be found on the following state right to know lists: New Jersey, (listed as Barium compounds, n.o.s.), Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Massachusetts.

California Prop 65
California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

European/International Regulations
European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

Hazard Symbols:
Not available.

Risk Phrases:

Safety Phrases:
S 22 Do not breathe dust.
S 24/25 Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)
CAS# 7727-43-7: 0

Canada - DSL/NDSL
CAS# 7727-43-7 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

Canada - WHMIS
This product has a WHMIS classification of D2B.

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all of the information required by those regulations.

Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List
CAS# 7727-43-7 is not listed on the Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List.
Section 16 - Additional Information

**MSDS Creation Date:** 12/12/1997  
**Revision #8 Date:** 2/11/2008

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