

**Viton® fluoroelastomer**

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This SDS adheres to the standards and regulatory requirements of the United States and may not meet the regulatory requirements in other countries.

**SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product name	:	Viton® fluoroelastomer
Product Grade/Type	:	VTR-7558
MSDS Number	:	150000002476
Product Use	:	Rubber products
Manufacturer	:	DuPont Performance Elastomers L.L.C Bellevue Park Corporate Center, 300 Bellevue Parkway Wilmington, Delaware 19809
Product Information	:	1-800-441-7515 (outside the U.S. 1-302-774-1000)
Medical Emergency	:	1-800-441-3637 (outside the U.S. 1-302-774-1139)
Transport Emergency	:	CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 (outside the U.S. 703-527-3887)

**SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

## Emergency Overview

May cause skin and eye irritation in susceptible persons.

## Potential Health Effects

## Skin

4,4'-[2,2,2-Trifluoro-1-(trifluoromethyl)ethylidene]diphenol : Causes skin irritation.

## Eyes

Benzyltriphenylphosphonium 4,4'-<Trifluoro-1-(Trifluoromethyl)Ethylidene>Diphenol Salt (1:1) : May irritate eyes.

## Inhalation

Polyvinylidene fluoride/hexafluoropropene : Inhalation of decomposition products from overheating may cause lung irritation or shortness of breath. Fluid in the lungs (pulmonary oedema) with cough, wheezing, abnormal lung sounds, possibly progressing to severe shortness of breath and bluish discoloration of the skin (symptoms might be delayed)

## Carcinogenicity

None of the components present in this material at concentrations equal to or greater than 0.1% are listed by IARC, NTP, or OSHA, as a carcinogen.

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**SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Component	CAS-No.	Concentration
Polyvinylidene fluoride/hexafluoropropene	9011-17-0	>96%
4,4'-[2,2,2-Trifluoro-1-(trifluoromethyl)ethylidene]diphenol	1478-61-1	<2 %
Benzyltriphenylphosphonium 4,4'-<Trifluoro-1-(Trifluoromethyl)Ethylidene>Diphenol Salt (1:1)	75768-65-9	<1 %

**SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

- Skin contact : Wash off with soap and water. Cool skin rapidly with cold water after contact with hot polymer. Do not peel polymer from the skin. Consult a physician if necessary.
- Eye contact : Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water, also under the eyelids. Consult a physician.
- Inhalation : Move to fresh air in case of accidental inhalation of fumes from overheating or combustion. Consult a physician.
- Ingestion : If victim is conscious: Drink water as a precaution. Consult a physician.
- General advice : If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

- Flammable Properties  
Flash point : > 204 °C (> 399 °F) open cup
- Fire and Explosion Hazard : Burning produces obnoxious and toxic fumes.
- Extinguishing Media : Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), Foam, Water, Dry chemical
- Firefighting Instructions : Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit. Wear neoprene gloves during cleaning up work after a VITON® fire. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses. The solid polymer can only be burned with difficulty.

**SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

NOTE: Review FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES and HANDLING (PERSONNEL) sections before proceeding with clean-up. Use appropriate PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT during clean-up.

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- Safeguards (Personnel) : Ventilate the area. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.
- Spill Cleanup : Shovel into suitable container for disposal. Clean contaminated floors and objects thoroughly while observing environmental regulations.
- Accidental Release Measures : Try to prevent the material from entering drains or water courses.

**SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

- Handling (Personnel) : Protect from contamination. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at dryers, machinery and at places where dust or volatiles can be generated. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Do not breathe dust. Do not breathe fumes evolved from hot polymer. General precaution for all plastics and elastomers: Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing. When using do not eat, drink or smoke.
- Handling (Physical Aspects) : General precaution for all plastics and elastomers: Take necessary action to avoid static electricity discharge (which might cause ignition of organic vapours). Avoid dust formation.
- Storage : Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep containers dry and tightly closed to avoid moisture absorption and contamination.

**SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

- Engineering controls : Use only in area provided with appropriate exhaust ventilation.
- Personal protective equipment
  - Eye protection : Safety glasses with side-shields
  - Skin protection : If there is a potential for contact with hot/molten material wear heat resistant clothing and footwear. If VITON® is used above 315°C the surface may contain hydrogen fluoride condensate which may cause severe burns. In this case wear neoprene gloves. Skin should be washed after contact.
  - Respiratory protection : Where there is potential for airborne exposures in excess of applicable limits, wear NIOSH/MSHA approved respiratory protection.

Exposure Guidelines

Exposure Limit Values

Hydrogen fluoride, anhydrous

PEL	(OSHA)	6 ppm	STEL as F
PEL	(OSHA)	3 ppm	TWA

Skin designation applies.

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TLV	(ACGIH)	2 ppm	Ceiling as F
TLV	(ACGIH)	0.5 ppm	TWA as F
Barium sulfate			
PEL	(OSHA)	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	8 hr. TWA Total dust.
PEL	(OSHA)	0.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	8 hr. TWA as Ba
PEL	(OSHA)	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	8 hr. TWA Respirable fraction.
TLV	(ACGIH)	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA
AEL *	(DUPONT)	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	8 & 12 hr. TWA Total dust

\* AEL is DuPont's Acceptable Exposure Limit. Where governmentally imposed occupational exposure limits which are lower than the AEL are in effect, such limits shall take precedence.

**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Form	: sheets, pellets
Color	: white, off-white
Odor	: none
Density	: 1.75 - 1.90 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Water solubility	: insoluble

**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Conditions to avoid	: Processing temperature > 200 °C (> 392 °F) Avoid heating for prolonged periods above the recommended upper processing limit.
Incompatibility	: Powdered metals Finely divided aluminium Alkali metals Alkaline earth metals
Decomposition	: Hazardous decomposition products Hydrogen fluoride, Carbonyl fluoride, Fluorinated hydrocarbons, Fluorinated olefins.
Polymerization	: Polymerization will not occur. During drying, cleaning and moulding, small amounts of hazardous gases and/or particulate matter may be released. These may irritate eyes, nose and throat.

**SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Polyvinylidene fluoride/hexafluoropropene

Dermal	: No adverse effects expected.
Oral ALD	: > 5,000 mg/kg, rat
Skin irritation	: non-irritant
Repeated dose toxicity	: Inhalation

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No adverse effects expected.

Oral  
 Liver enlargement

Carcinogenicity : No adverse effects expected.

Mutagenicity : No adverse effects expected.

Toxicity to reproduction : No adverse effects expected.

Teratogenicity : No adverse effects expected.

4,4'-[2,2,2-Trifluoro-1-(trifluoromethyl)ethylidene]diphenol

Oral ALD : 3,400 mg/kg, rat

Skin irritation : irritant

Skin sensitization : Species: guinea pig  
 Animal test did not cause sensitization by skin contact.

Repeated dose toxicity : Dermal  
 No toxicologically significant effects were found.

Mutagenicity : Did not cause genetic damage in cultured bacterial cells., Tests on mammalian cell cultures showed mutagenic effects

Benzyltriphenylphosphonium 4,4'-<Trifluoro-1-(Trifluoromethyl)Ethylidene>Diphenol Salt (1:1)

Oral LD50 : 4,385 mg/kg, rat

Skin irritation : Species: rabbit  
 non-irritant

Eye irritation : Species: rabbit  
 Mild eye irritation

Mutagenicity : Did not cause genetic damage in cultured bacterial cells.

**SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Aquatic Toxicity

Polyvinylidene fluoride/hexafluoropropene

: This product has no known eco-toxicological effects.

4,4'-[2,2,2-Trifluoro-1-(trifluoromethyl)ethylidene]diphenol

96 h LC50 : Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) < 1 mg/l

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72 h ErC50 : Algae &gt; 0.808 mg/l

72 h EbC50 : Algae 0.156 mg/l

48 h EC50 : Daphnia 3.2 mg/l

Additional ecological information : We have no quantitative data concerning the ecological effects of this product.

**SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste Disposal : If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations. Incinerate only in incinerators capable of scrubbing out acidic combustion products.

Environmental Hazards : Offer rinsed packaging material to local recycling facilities. If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations.

**SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

**SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

SARA 313 Regulated Chemical(s) : SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

California Prop. 65 : WARNING! This product contains a chemical known in the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.  
Ethylene oxide

PA Right to Know Regulated Chemical(s) : Substances on the Pennsylvania Hazardous Substances List present at a concentration of 1% or more (0.01% for Special Hazardous Substances): No components present on the PA state hazardous substance lists.

NJ Right to Know Regulated Chemical(s) : Substances on the New Jersey Workplace Hazardous Substance List present at a concentration of 1% or more (0.1% for substances identified as carcinogens, mutagens or teratogens): No components present on the NJ state hazardous substance lists.

**SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Restrictions for use : Do not use in medical applications involving permanent implantation in the

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human body. For other medical applications see DuPont Performance Elastomer's caution bulletin No. H-69237.

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