

SAFETY DATA SHEET



1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Material	BALMEX OINTMENT
Synonyms	FORMULA NO. B2126 ZINC OXIDE, FORMULATED PRODUCT
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	General Information: +610-239-5229 US number, answer phone
	Transport Emergency: +703-527-3887 except UK US number, available 24 hours Multi-language response

2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredients	CAS RN	Percentage
ZINC OXIDE	1314-13-2	11.3
NON-HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS	Unassigned	88.7

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Fire and Explosion	This product is expected to be non-combustible.
Skin Contact	Allergic reaction and irritation are not expected following direct contact.
Eye Contact	Minor irritation with redness or swelling might occur following direct contact.
Inhalation	Not expected to occur during normal handling of this product.
Ingestion	Toxicity following ingestion is not expected.

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Ingestion	Never attempt to induce vomiting. Do not attempt to give any solid or liquid by mouth if the exposed subject is unconscious or semi-conscious. Wash out the mouth with water. If the exposed subject is fully conscious, give plenty of water to drink. Obtain medical attention.
Inhalation	Using appropriate personal protective equipment, move exposed subject to fresh air. If breathing is difficult or ceases, ensure and maintain ventilation. Give oxygen as appropriate. The exposed subject should be kept warm and at rest. Obtain medical attention in cases of known or possible over exposure, or with symptoms including chest pain, difficulty breathing, loss of consciousness or other adverse effects, which may be delayed.
Skin Contact	Using appropriate personal protective equipment, remove contaminated clothing and flush exposed area with large amounts of water. Obtain medical attention if skin reaction occurs, which may be immediate or delayed.
Eye Contact	Wash immediately with clean and gently flowing water. Continue for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.

NOTES TO HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

Medical Treatment	None.
Medical Conditions Caused or Aggravated by Exposure	None for occupational exposure.
Antidotes	No specific antidotes are recommended.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Fire and Explosion Hazards	Not expected for the product, although the packaging is combustible.
Extinguishing Media	Water is recommended for fires involving packaging.
Special Firefighting Procedures	For single units (packages): No special requirements needed. For larger amounts (multiple packages/pallets) of product: Since toxic, corrosive or flammable vapours might be evolved from fires involving this product and associated packaging, self contained breathing apparatus and full protective equipment are recommended for firefighters. If possible, contain and collect firefighting water for later disposal.
Hazardous Combustion Products	Toxic, corrosive or flammable thermal decomposition products are expected when the product is exposed to fire.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Spills	
Personal Precautions	Wear protective clothing and equipment consistent with the degree of hazard.
Environmental Precautions	For large spills, take precautions to prevent entry into waterways, sewers, or surface drainage systems.
Clean-up Methods	Collect and place it in a suitable, properly labelled container for recovery or disposal.
Decontamination Procedures	No specific decontamination or detoxification procedures have been identified for this product.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling	No special control measures required for the normal handling of this product. Normal room ventilation is expected to be adequate for routine handling of this product.
Storage	No storage requirements necessary for occupational hazards. Follow storage instructions described in the product insert to maintain efficacy.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Other Equipment or Procedures	None required for normal handling. Wash hands and arms thoroughly after handling.
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9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	
Colour	White/off-white.
Physical Form	Ointment.

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability	This product is expected to be stable.
Conditions to Avoid	None for normal handling of this product.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Oral Toxicity	Low toxicity expected following ingestion.
Skin Effects	Irritation is not expected following direct contact.
Eye Effects	Irritation might occur based on effects of individual components.
Sensitisation	Sensitisation (allergic skin reaction) is not expected.
Carcinogenicity	No components are listed as carcinogens by GSK, IARC, NTP or US OSHA.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Summary	No information is available about the potential of this material to produce adverse environmental effects. Local regulations and procedures should be consulted prior to environmental release.
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13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Recommendations	Collect for recycling or recovery if possible. The disposal method for rejected products/returned goods must ensure that they cannot be re-sold or re-used.
Regulatory Requirements	Observe all local and national regulations when disposing of this product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The SDS should accompany all shipments for reference in the event of spillage or accidental release. Only authorised persons trained and competent in accordance with appropriate national and international regulatory requirements may prepare dangerous goods for transport.

UN Classification and Labelling

Transport Information	Transportation and shipping of this product is not restricted. It has no known, significant hazards requiring special packaging or labelling for air, maritime, US or European ground transport purposes.
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15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

The information included below is an overview of the major regulatory requirements. It should not be considered to be an exhaustive summary. Local regulations should be consulted for additional requirements.

EU Classification and Labelling

Classification(s) None

US OSHA Standard (29 CFR Part 1910.1200)

Classification Exempt when packaged for sale to consumers in a retail establishment.

Other US Regulations

TSCA Status Exempt

16. OTHER INFORMATION

References GSK Hazard Determination

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Summary

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