



## PFA Fluoroplastic Resin

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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	:	PFA Fluoroplastic Resin
Tradename/Synonym	:	PFA 411HP-J, 416HP, 416HP X, 420HP-J, 430HP, 440HP, 440HP-J, 440HPA, 440HPA X, 440HPB, 440HPB X, 440HPD, 441HP-J, 445HP, 445HP X(>,<)> 450HP, 450HP X, 450HP-J, 451HP, 451HP X, 451HP-J, 9738-JN, TE7229, TE7230, TE7237, TE7237A, TE7237B, TE7239, TE7242, TE7243, TE7250, TE7256, TE7262
MSDS Number	:	15000002866
Product Use	:	Resin for moulding and/or extrusion
Manufacturer	:	DuPont 1007 Market Street Wilmington, DE 19898
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. +1-703-527-3887)

### SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

The thermal decomposition vapours of fluorinated plastics may cause polymer fume fever with flu-like symptoms in humans, especially when smoking contaminated tobacco.

#### Potential Health Effects

##### Skin

Tetrafluoroethylene/perfluoroalkylvinylether copolymer : Dust may cause: Discomfort, itching, redness, or swelling.

##### Eyes



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Tetrafluoroethylene/perfluoroalkylvinylether copolymer : Dust may cause: tearing, Redness, Discomfort.

**Inhalation**

Tetrafluoroethylene/perfluoroalkylvinylether copolymer : Dust may cause: Respiratory tract irritation  
 The thermal decomposition vapours of fluorinated plastics may cause polymer fume fever with flu-like symptoms in humans, especially when smoking contaminated tobacco.  
 Symptoms usually appear after several hours and resolve within 1 to 2 days.  
 Repeated episodes of polymer fume fever may result in persistent lung effects.  
 Polymer may extensively decompose if severely overheated or burned. Inhalation of fluorinated decomposition products may cause lung irritation and pulmonary oedema.  
 Symptoms may be delayed for several hours.  
 Symptoms may be severe or life-threatening.

**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.

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

Component	CAS-No.	Concentration
Tetrafluoroethylene/perfluoroalkylvinylether copolymer	26655-00-5	100 %

**SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

Skin contact : No hazards which require special first aid measures. Wash off with soap and water. Cool skin rapidly with cold water after contact with molten material. Do not peel polymer from the skin. Consult a physician.



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- Eye contact : Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15-20 minutes. Get medical attention immediately.
- Inhalation : Move to fresh air in case of accidental inhalation of fumes from overheating or combustion. Consult a physician.
- Ingestion : Not a probable route of exposure. However, in case of accidental ingestion, call a physician.

**SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Flammable Properties

- Flash point : not applicable
- Ignition temperature : 530 - 550 °C (986 - 1,022 °F)
- Auto-ignition temperature : 520 - 560 °C (968 - 1,040 °F)

Fire and Explosion Hazard : Difficult to ignite, and flame goes out when initiating source is removed.

Hazardous thermal decomposition products:

- acid fluorides
- Fluorinated compounds
- Hydrogen fluoride
- Carbon monoxide

Suitable extinguishing media : Carbon dioxide (CO2), Dry powder, Foam, Water

Firefighting Instructions : In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Wear suitable protective equipment. Wear neoprene gloves during cleaning up work after a fire.  
Protect from hydrogen fluoride fumes which react with water to form hydrofluoric acid.



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**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.

Safeguards (Personnel) : Ventilate the area. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8. Material can create slippery conditions.

Spill Cleanup : Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Clean contaminated floors and objects thoroughly while observing environmental regulations.

Accidental Release Measures : No special environmental precautions required.

**SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Handling (Personnel) : For personal protection see section 8. Protect from contamination. When opening containers, avoid breathing vapours that may be emanating. Avoid breathing dust. Avoid contamination of cigarettes or tobacco with dust from this material. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at dryers, machinery and at places where dust or volatiles can be generated. Do not use a torch to clean this material from equipment without local exhaust ventilation and respirator. Wash hands and face before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

Handling (Physical Aspects) : Take necessary action to avoid static electricity discharge (which might cause ignition of organic vapours).

Storage : Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Protect from contamination. Stable under recommended storage conditions.

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

Engineering controls : Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Good general ventilation should be provided to keep dust concentrations below the



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exposure limits. Local exhaust ventilation should be employed to minimize airborne contamination.

Personal protective equipment

- Respiratory protection : When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators.
- Hand protection : Additional protection: Protective gloves (Type : Kevlar® - heat resistant, use possible until worn out)
- Eye protection : Safety glasses with side-shields
- Skin and body protection : When handling hot material, use heat resistant gloves. If there is a potential for contact with hot/molten material wear heat resistant clothing and footwear. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing.

Exposure Guidelines

Exposure Limit Values

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Dust (inhalable and respirable fraction)

TLV	(ACGIH)	10 mg/m3	
		TWA Inhalable particles.	
		3 mg/m3	
		TWA Respirable particles.	
PEL:	(OSHA)	5 mg/m3	
		TWA Respirable fraction.	
		15 mg/m3	
		TWA Total dust.	

Poly(Heptafluoropropyl Trifluorovinyl Ether/Tetrafluoroethylene)

AEL *	(DUPONT)	10 mg/m3	8 & 12 hr. TWA Total dust.
AEL *	(DUPONT)	5 mg/m3	8 & 12 hr. TWA Respirable 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.

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**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Form	: pellets
Color	: translucent
Odor	: none
Melting point	: 300 - 310 °C (572 - 590 °F)
Specific gravity	: 2.1 - 2.2
Water solubility	: insoluble
Limiting oxygen index	: > 95 % ASTM D 2863

**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Stability	: Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to avoid	: To avoid thermal decomposition, do not overheat. Abnormally long processing time or high temperatures can produce irritating and toxic fumes. Stable under normal conditions.
Incompatibility	: Finely divided aluminium Powdered metals, potent oxidizers like fluorine (F <sub>2</sub> ), and, related compounds, Contact with incompatible materials can cause fire and explosion.
Hazardous decomposition products	: Hazardous thermal decomposition products:: Hydrogen fluoride, Carbonyl fluoride, acid fluorides
Hazardous reactions	: During drying, cleaning and moulding, small amounts of hazardous gases and/or particulate matter may be released. These may irritate eyes, nose and throat. Large molten masses may give off hazardous gases.

**SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

PFA Fluoroplastic Resin Inhalation	: The thermal decomposition vapours of fluorinated plastics may cause polymer fume fever with flu-like symptoms in humans, especially when smoking contaminated tobacco.
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Tetrafluoroethylene/perfluoroalkylvinylether copolymer



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- Oral LD50 : > 11,000 mg/kg , rat
- Skin irritation : Slight or no skin irritation, human
- Skin sensitization : Patch test on human volunteers did not demonstrate sensitisation properties., human
- Repeated dose toxicity : Oral - feed rat  
No toxicologically significant effects were found.
- Further information : The substance is a polymer and is not expected to produce toxic effects.

**SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Aquatic Toxicity

Tetrafluoroethylene/perfluoroalkylvinylether copolymer

- : The substance is a polymer and is not expected to produce toxic effects.

**SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- Waste Disposal : Like most thermoplastic plastics the product can be recycled. If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations. Incinerate only if incinerator is capable of scrubbing out hydrogen fluoride and other acidic combustion products.
- Environmental Hazards : Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

**SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

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**SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

- Other regulations : Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work.
- TSCA : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
- 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 or chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer. Tetrafluoroethylene

**SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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| Health :                     | 2    |
| Flammability :               | 1    |
| Reactivity/Physical hazard : | 0    |
- Restrictions for use : Do not use DuPont materials in medical applications involving implantation in the human body or contact with internal body fluids or tissues unless the material has been provided from DuPont under a written contract that is consistent with DuPont policy regarding medical applications and expressly acknowledges the contemplated use. For further information, please contact your DuPont representative. You may also request a copy of the DuPont POLICY Regarding Medical Applications and DuPont CAUTION Regarding Medical Applications.

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