



## Material Safety Data Sheet

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### SECTION 1: PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**PRODUCT NAME:** FC-43 FLUORINERT Brand Electronic Liquid  
**MANUFACTURER:** 3M  
**DIVISION:** Electronics Markets Materials Division

**ADDRESS:** 3M Center  
St. Paul, MN 55144-1000

EMERGENCY PHONE: 1-800-364-3577 or (651) 737-6501 (24 hours)

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#### Product Use:

**Intended Use:** For industrial use only. Not intended for use as a medical device or drug.  
**Specific Use:** Testing Fluid or Heat Transfer Fluid for Electronics

### SECTION 2: INGREDIENTS

<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>C.A.S. No.</u>	<u>% by Wt</u>
PERFLUORO COMPOUNDS, (PRIMARILY COMPOUNDS WITH 12 CARBONS)	86508-42-1	100

### SECTION 3: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 3.1 EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

**Specific Physical Form:** Liquid  
**Odor, Color, Grade:** Colorless, odorless liquid.  
**General Physical Form:** Liquid  
**Immediate health, physical, and environmental hazards:**

#### 3.2 POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

##### Eye Contact:

Contact with the eyes during product use is not expected to result in significant irritation.

**Skin Contact:**

Contact with the skin during product use is not expected to result in significant irritation.

**Inhalation:**

If thermal decomposition occurs:

May be harmful if inhaled.

**Ingestion:**

No health effects are expected.

### 3.3 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

This compound is completely fluorinated (perfluorinated), or it contains perfluorinated portions. Perfluoroalkyl groups resist degradation in most natural environments. This low-solubility substance has insignificant toxicity to aquatic organisms (Lowest LL50 or EL50 is >1000 mg/L). LL50 (Lethal Level) and EL50 are similar to LC50 and EC50, but tests the water phase from incompletely-miscible mixtures. Take precautions to prevent direct release of this substance to the environment. **ATMOSPHERIC FATE:** Perfluoro compounds (PFCs) are photochemically stable and expected to persist in the atmosphere for more than 1000 years. PFCs have high global warming potentials (GWP), exceeding 5000 (100-yr-ITH). The Ozone Depletion Potential (ODP) is Zero.

## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 FIRST AID PROCEDURES

The following first aid recommendations are based on an assumption that appropriate personal and industrial hygiene practices are followed.

**Eye Contact:** Flush eyes with large amounts of water. If signs/symptoms persist, get medical attention.

**Skin Contact:** Wash affected area with soap and water. If signs/symptoms develop, get medical attention.

**Inhalation:** If signs/symptoms develop, remove person to fresh air. If signs/symptoms persist, get medical attention.

**If Swallowed:** No need for first aid is anticipated.

## SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1 FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES

**Autoignition temperature**

*Not Applicable*

**Flash Point**

*Not Applicable*

**Flammable Limits - LEL**

[Details: Nonflammable]

**Flammable Limits - UEL**

[Details: Nonflammable]

### 5.2 EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

Material will not burn.

### 5.3 PROTECTION OF FIRE FIGHTERS

**Special Fire Fighting Procedures:** Wear full protective equipment (Bunker Gear) and a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Water may be used to blanket the fire. Exposure to extreme heat can give rise to thermal decomposition.

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** No unusual fire or explosion hazards are anticipated. No unusual effects are anticipated during fire extinguishing operations. Avoid breathing the products and substances that may result from the thermal decomposition of the product or the other substances in the fire zone. Keep containers cool with water spray when exposed to fire to avoid rupture. See Section 10

**Note: See STABILITY AND REACTIVITY (SECTION 10) for hazardous combustion and thermal decomposition information.**

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Accidental Release Measures:** Observe precautions from other sections. Call 3M- HELPS line (1-800-364-3577) for more information on handling and managing the spill. Evacuate unprotected and untrained personnel from hazard area. The spill should be cleaned up by qualified personnel. Ventilate the area with fresh air. Contain spill. Working from around the edges of the spill inward, cover with bentonite, vermiculite, or commercially available inorganic absorbent material. Mix in sufficient absorbent until it appears dry. Collect as much of the spilled material as possible. Clean up residue with an appropriate organic solvent. Read and follow safety precautions on the solvent label and MSDS. Place in a metal container approved for transportation by appropriate authorities. Seal the container. Dispose of collected material as soon as possible.

**In the event of a release of this material, the user should determine if the release qualifies as reportable according to local, state, and federal regulations.**

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1 HANDLING

Avoid skin contact with hot material. For industrial or professional use only. No smoking: Smoking while using this product can result in contamination of the tobacco and/or smoke and lead to the formation of the hazardous decomposition products mentioned in the Reactivity Data section of this MSDS. Store work clothes separately from other clothing, food and tobacco products. Use general dilution ventilation and/or local exhaust ventilation to control airborne exposures to below Occupational Exposure Limits. If ventilation is not adequate, use respiratory protection equipment.

### 7.2 STORAGE

Store away from heat. Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in well-ventilated area.

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Provide appropriate local exhaust when product is heated. Provide appropriate local exhaust ventilation on open containers. For those situations where the fluid might be exposed to extreme overheating due to misuse or equipment failure, use with appropriate local exhaust ventilation sufficient to maintain levels of thermal decomposition products below their exposure guidelines.

### 8.2 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

#### 8.2.1 Eye/Face Protection

Avoid eye contact.

The following eye protection(s) are recommended: Safety Glasses with side shields.

### 8.2.2 Skin Protection

Avoid skin contact with hot material. Wear appropriate gloves, such as Nomex, when handling this material to prevent thermal burns. Avoid skin contact.

Select and use gloves and/or protective clothing to prevent skin contact based on the results of an exposure assessment. Consult with your glove and/or protective clothing manufacturer for selection of appropriate compatible materials.

Gloves made from the following material(s) are recommended: Nitrile Rubber.

### 8.2.3 Respiratory Protection

Under normal use conditions, airborne exposures are not expected to be significant enough to require respiratory protection. Avoid breathing of vapors, mists or spray.

Select one of the following NIOSH approved respirators based on airborne concentration of contaminants and in accordance with OSHA regulations: Half facepiece or fullface air-purifying respirator with organic vapor cartridges. Consult the current 3M Respiratory Selection Guide for additional information or call 1-800-243-4630 for 3M technical assistance. If thermal degradation products are expected, use fullface supplied air respirator.

### 8.2.4 Prevention of Swallowing

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash exposed areas thoroughly with soap and water.

## 8.3 EXPOSURE GUIDELINES

None Established

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Specific Physical Form:	Liquid
Odor, Color, Grade:	Colorless, odorless liquid.
General Physical Form:	Liquid
Autoignition temperature	<i>Not Applicable</i>
Flash Point	<i>Not Applicable</i>
Flammable Limits - LEL	[Details: Nonflammable]
Flammable Limits - UEL	[Details: Nonflammable]
Boiling point	165 - 185 °C
Density	1.9 g/ml
Vapor Density	23.3 [@ 20 °C] [Ref Std: AIR=1]
Vapor Pressure	1.3 mmHg [@ 20 °C]
Specific Gravity	1.9 [Ref Std: WATER=1]
pH	<i>Not Applicable</i>
Melting point	<i>Not Applicable</i>
Solubility in Water	Nil
Evaporation rate	> 1 [Ref Std: BUOAC=1]
Volatile Organic Compounds	[Details: Exempt]
Percent volatile	100 %
VOC Less H <sub>2</sub> O & Exempt Solvents	[Details: Exempt]
Viscosity	2.8 centistoke [@ 20 °C]

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Stability:** Stable.

**Materials and Conditions to Avoid:** Finely divided active metals; Alkali and alkaline earth metals; Heat(greater than 200 °C)

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

### Hazardous Decomposition or By-Products

<u>Substance</u>	<u>Condition</u>
Hydrogen Fluoride	At Elevated Temperatures - greater than 200 °C
Perfluoroisobutylene (PFIB)	At Elevated Temperatures - greater than 200 °C

**Hazardous Decomposition:** Hydrogen fluoride has an ACGIH Threshold Limit Value of 3 parts per million (as fluoride) as a Ceiling Limit and an OSHA PEL of 3 ppm of fluoride as an eight hour Time-Weighted Average and 6 ppm of fluoride as a Short Term Exposure Limit. The odor threshold for HF is 0.04 ppm, providing good warning properties for exposure.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Product-Based Toxicology Information:

A Material Toxicity Summary Sheet (MTSS) has been developed for this product. Please contact the address listed on the first page of this MSDS to obtain a copy of the MTSS for this product.

Please contact the address listed on the first page of the MSDS for Toxicological Information on this material and/or its components.

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

<u>Test Organism</u>	<u>Test Type</u>	<u>Result</u>
Fathead Minnow, Pimephales promelas	96 hours Aquatic Toxicity - Acute	>1000 mg/l

### CHEMICAL FATE INFORMATION

<u>Test Type</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Protocol</u>
20 days Biological Oxygen Demand	Nil	
Chemical Oxygen Demand	Nil	

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste Disposal Method:** Reclaim if feasible. Incinerate in an industrial or commercial facility in the presence of a combustible

material. Combustion products will include HF. Facility must be capable of handling halogenated materials.  
To reclaim or return, check product label for contact.

**EPA Hazardous Waste Number (RCRA):** Not regulated

Since regulations vary, consult applicable regulations or authorities before disposal.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**ID Number(s):**

98-0204-0101-8, 98-0211-1224-2, 98-0211-3978-1, 98-0211-5503-5, 98-0211-7994-4, 98-0212-2926-9, 98-0212-3063-0, 98-0212-3064-8, 98-0212-3070-5, 98-0212-3080-4, 98-0212-3167-9, ZF-0002-1022-7, ZF-0002-1054-0, ZF-0002-1055-7, ZF-0002-1306-4, ZF-0002-1307-2

Please contact the emergency numbers listed on the first page of the MSDS for Transportation Information for this material.

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

### US FEDERAL REGULATIONS

Contact 3M for more information.

**311/312 Hazard Categories:**

Fire Hazard - No   Pressure Hazard - No   Reactivity Hazard - No   Immediate Hazard - Yes   Delayed Hazard - No

### STATE REGULATIONS

Contact 3M for more information.

### CHEMICAL INVENTORIES

The components of this product are in compliance with the chemical notification requirements of TSCA.

All applicable chemical ingredients in this material are listed on the European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances (EINECS), or are exempt polymers whose monomers are listed on EINECS.

The components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List.

The components of this product are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances.

The components of this product are listed on Japan's Chemical Substance Control Law List (also known as the Existing and New Chemical Substances List.)

Contact 3M for more information.

## INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS

Contact 3M for more information.

This MSDS has been prepared to meet the U.S. OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

### NFPA Hazard Classification

**Health:** 3 **Flammability:** 0 **Reactivity:** 0 **Special Hazards:** None

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) hazard ratings are designed for use by emergency response personnel to address the hazards that are presented by short-term, acute exposure to a material under conditions of fire, spill, or similar emergencies. Hazard ratings are primarily based on the inherent physical and toxic properties of the material but also include the toxic properties of combustion or decomposition products that are known to be generated in significant quantities.

### HMIS Hazard Classification

**Health:** 0 **Flammability:** 0 **Reactivity:** 0 **Protection:** X - See PPE section.

Hazardous Material Identification System (HMIS(r)) hazard ratings are designed to inform employees of chemical hazards in the workplace. These ratings are based on the inherent properties of the material under expected conditions of normal use and are not intended for use in emergency situations. HMIS(r) ratings are to be used with a fully implemented HMIS(r) program. HMIS(r) is a registered mark of the National Paint and Coatings Association (NPCA).

### Revision Changes:

Section 16: HMIS hazard classification for health was modified.

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