

**Material Safety Data Sheet**

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**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product name : Span<sup>®</sup> 20

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**2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Synonyms : Sorbitan monolaurate

Formula : C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>6</sub>  
Molecular Weight : 346.47 g/mol

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
<b>Sorbitan laurate</b>			
1338-39-2	215-663-3	-	-

**3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****Emergency Overview****OSHA Hazards**

No known OSHA hazards

**HMIS Classification**

Health Hazard: 0  
Flammability: 0  
Physical hazards: 0

**NFPA Rating**

Health Hazard: 0  
Fire: 0  
Reactivity Hazard: 0

**Potential Health Effects**

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.  
**Skin** May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.  
**Eyes** May cause eye irritation.  
**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**If inhaled**

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration

**In case of skin contact**

Wash off with soap and plenty of water.

**In case of eye contact**

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

**If swallowed**

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water.

#### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flammable properties**

Flash point > 113.00 °C (> 235.40 °F) - closed cup

Ignition temperature no data available

**Suitable extinguishing media**

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

**Special protective equipment for fire-fighters**

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal precautions**

Avoid dust formation.

**Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

**Methods for cleaning up**

Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling**

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

**Storage**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

#### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

**Personal protective equipment****Respiratory protection**

Respiratory protection is not required. Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

**Hand protection**

For prolonged or repeated contact use protective gloves.

**Eye protection**

Safety glasses

**Hygiene measures**

General industrial hygiene practice.

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES****Appearance**

Form solid

**Safety data**

pH	no data available
Melting point	no data available
Boiling point	no data available
Flash point	> 113.00 °C (> 235.40 °F) - closed cup
Ignition temperature	no data available
Lower explosion limit	no data available
Upper explosion limit	no data available
Water solubility	no data available

**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY****Storage stability**

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**Materials to avoid**

Strong oxidizing agents

**Hazardous decomposition products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - rat - 33,600 mg/kg

**Irritation and corrosion**

no data available

**Sensitisation**

no data available

**Chronic exposure**

Carcinogenicity - mouse - Skin

Tumorigenic: Neoplastic by RTECS criteria. Skin and Appendages: Other: Tumors. Tumorigenic: Tumors at site or application.

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

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#### Additional Information

RTECS: WG2920000

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Elimination information (persistence and degradability)

no data available

#### Ecotoxicity effects

no data available

#### Further information on ecology

no data available

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### Product

Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### DOT (US)

Not dangerous goods

#### IMDG

Not dangerous goods

#### IATA

Not dangerous goods

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### OSHA Hazards

No known OSHA hazards

#### DSL Status

All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL list.

#### SARA 302 Components

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

#### SARA 313 Components

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.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

No SARA Hazards

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

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**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

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**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

**16. OTHER INFORMATION****Further information**

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