

Statement regarding the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazard Communication Standard and Safety Data Sheets (SDS)

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Safety Data Sheets (SDS)

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazard Communication Standard found at 29 CFR 1910.1200 requires that chemical manufacturers and importers prepare safety data sheets (SDS) describing the health and physical hazards of chemicals they produce or import. (Note that the current version of the regulation uses the term Safety Data Sheet (SDS) rather than Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)).

The Hazard Communication Standard and the requirement to prepare SDSs is not applicable to "articles". An article is defined in the regulation as a "manufactured item other than a fluid or particle: (i) which is formed to a specific shape or design during manufacture; (ii) which has end use function(s) dependent in whole or in part upon its shape or design during end use; and (iii) which under normal conditions of use does not release more than very small quantities, e.g., minute or trace amounts of a hazardous chemical.... and does not pose a physical hazard or health risk to employees".

SAM Medical considers its products to be articles in accordance with the OSHA regulation. As such, has not prepared SDS's for its products.

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