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#### Introduction

This transfer standard is used to verify the correct operation of any Malvern system that measures zeta potential in a capillary cell. The samples are supplied in 10 mL syringes ready to use.

#### Validation

Each batch of transfer standard is tested on a 'Reference system' kept especially for this purpose. This system is checked against the only standard available, NIST1980. This is a positively charged goethite material.

The Malvern sample is therefore classified as a 'Transfer standard'. That is, it is not a standard, but has been referenced to an accepted standard.

The system of transfer standards is often used to reduce the cost of using standards, or to use a material that is more closely related to the sample of interest. In this case the accepted standard, NIST 1980 is not ideal as it is a goethite with a positive zeta potential. This means that it will adhere to components in the system, such as the quartz capillary cell, which has a negative zeta potential, and therefore will require regular cleaning.

The Malvern transfer standard has a negative zeta potential and is easy to flush from the system.

# Using the transfer standard

Before use, please check that the sample has not been subjected to an excessively high temperature by observing the temperature indicator on the lid of the box. If more than two circles are filled black, discard the sample package. If this is the case, when the samples are received please contact your supplier.

Also check that the sample is within the 'use by' date printed on the syringe.

On a Zetasizer Nano running version 6.3 (or later) software, run the:

"Installation Test\_0235\_v105.zmac" macro as described in the Self installation guide supplied with the instrument, or run the SOP:

"Zeta potential test sample v2"

On Zetasizer Nano running software version 5.0 - 6.31 software, run the SOP:

"Installation Test\_0235\_v105.zmac", which can

be provided by a Malvern representative.

On a Zetasizer Nano running software earlier than version 5.0 (use Help-About to check the version):

- To measure size, use the sample in a cuvette suitable for size measurement as described in the User Manual.
- To measure zeta potential, use the sample in a folded capillary cell as described in the User Manual.

On other systems (Zetasizer 1000 to 5000 series) inject the transfer standard sample directly into the system.

If the cell is clean and filled with demineralised

water, using a careful slow injection procedure it is possible to get two measurements on the Zetasizer 5000 and three or four measurements on the Zetasizer 2000 or Zetasizer 3000 with each syringe. Any remaining sample in the syringe should be discarded at the end of each day.

# Storage

The sample should be stored between 4°C and 10°C in a refrigerator. The sample should not be frozen.

If the storage temperature at any time has exceeded 49°C, the 'telltale' indicator on the box will show three or four black circles. In this case the zeta potential of the samples cannot be relied upon and they should be discarded.

# Diagnosis of the result

On a Zetasizer Nano running version 5.0 (or later) software, the Test installation macro reports a simple pass/fail for size and/or zeta potential.

# On other systems:

The zeta potential of all results should be -42  $\pm$  4.2mV. The conductivity should be within the range 0.23 to 0.40mS/cm.

If this is not the case the system needs some attention. Please refer to the Maintenance section of the user manuals for cleaning or alignment instructions appropriate to the system being used.



According to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

# SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

#### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product Name:

DTS1235 Zeta Potential Transfer Standard

Part Number:

DTS1235

REACH No.:

A registration number is not available for this substance as the substance

or its uses are exempted from registration, the annual tonnage does not

require a registration.

## 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses:

Laboratory chemicals

#### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company:

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Worcestershire, UK.

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Fax: E-mail Address:

#### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

For local contact in your country please follow this link.

http://www.malvern.com/en/about-us/contact-us/

In addition +44 (0) 1684 891800 (Hours 07:30-18:30, GMT/UCT time zone).

In the unlikely event of a medical situation you should get medical assistance first in your country and use this MSDS where requested.

#### SECTION 2: Hazards identification

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Not a hazardous substance or mixture according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008. Not a hazardous substance or mixture according to EC-directives 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC.

#### 2.2 Label elements

#### Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Pictogram none
Signal word none
Hazard statement(s) none
Precautionary statement(s) none
Supplemental Hazard
Statements none
Safety data sheet available on request.

#### 2.3 Other hazards - none

According to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

#### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

#### 3.2 Mixtures

Synonyms:

DTS1035 Zeta Potential Transfer Standard

Hazardous ingredients according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Component	Classification	Concentration
Disodium tetraborate Included in the Candidate		ry High Concern (SVHC)
according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (RI	EACH)	
CAS-No. 1330-43-4	Repr. 1B; H360FD	≤ 0.1 %
EC-No. 215-540-4		
Index-No. 005-011-00-4		
Registration number 01-2119490790-32-XXXX		15

Hazardous ingredients according to Directive 1999/45/EC

Component	Classification	Concentration
Disodium tetraborate Included in the Candidate	List of Substances of Very H	igh Concern (SVHC)
according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (RE	EACH)	
CAS-No. 1330-43-4	T, Repr.Cat.2, R60 - R61	≤ 0.1 %
EC-No. 215-540-4		
Index-No. 005-011-00-4		
Registration number 01-2119490790-32-XXXX		

For the full text of the H-Statements and R-Phrases mentioned in this Section, see Section 16

# **SECTION 4: First aid measures**

# 4.1 Description of first aid measures

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

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

## In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### 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. Consult a physician.

#### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

# 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed no data available



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#### **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

#### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

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

#### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Nature of decomposition products not known.

#### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

#### 5.4 Further information

no data available

#### **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

#### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation.

Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

#### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

#### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

#### 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

#### SECTION 7: Handling and storage

#### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid exposure - obtain special instructions before use. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist. For precautions see section 2.2.

# 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

#### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

A part from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

#### SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

#### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Disodium tetraborate	1330-43-4	TWA	1 mg/m3	UK. EH40 WEL - Workplace Exposure Limits
	Remarks	The substance is present in solution at less than 0.1% concentration and is not expected to form dusts or aer normal usage		



According to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

#### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

#### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin protection

The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### **Body Protection**

Impervious clothing, the type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

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#### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Control of environmental exposure

a) Appearance Form:

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

#### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

#### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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b) Odour:	no data available
c) Odour Threshold	no data available
d) pH	9.2
e) Melting point/freezing point	0°C
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	100°C
g) Flash point	no data available
h) Evaporation rate	no data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	not flammable
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	no data available
k) Vapour pressure	no data available
I) Vapour density	no data available
m) Relative density	1.000 g/cm3
n) Water solubility	soluble/miscible
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	no data available
p) Auto-ignition temperature	no data available
q) Decomposition temperature	no data available
r) Viscosity	no data available
s) Explosive properties	no data available
t) Oxidizing properties	no data available



According to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

9.2 Other safety information

no data available

#### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity no data available

10.2 Chemical stability Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions no data available no data available no data available

10.5 Incompatible materials

Sodium, Potassium, Acid anhydrides

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - no data available

#### **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

In the event of fire: see section 5

## 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity no data available
Skin corrosion/irritation no data available
Serious eye damage/eye irritation no data available
Respiratory or skin sensitisation no data available
Germ cell mutagenicity no data available

Carcinogenicity

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.

Reproductive toxicity no data available
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure no data available
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure no data available

Aspiration hazard no data available

Additional Information

RTECS: Not available

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

#### **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

12.1 Toxicity no data available
12.2 Persistence and degradability no data available
12.3 Bioaccumulative potential no data available
12.4 Mobility in soil no data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 Other adverse effects no data available

#### SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Product

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

#### **SECTION 14: Transport information**



According to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

14.1 **UN** number

ADR/RID: -

IMDG: -

IATA: -

14.2 UN proper shipping name ADR/RID: Not dangerous goods IMDG: Not dangerous goods

IATA: Not dangerous goods

14.3 Transport hazard class(es) ADR/RID: -

IATA: -

14.4 Packaging group ADR/RID: -

IMDG: -IMDG: -

IATA: -

IATA: no

14.5 **Environmental hazards** 

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

# 14.6 Special precautions for user **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

This safety datasheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

#### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

no data available

#### Authorisations and/or restrictions on use

Disodium tetraborate CAS-No.: 1330-43-4

Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation

Toxic for reproduction (article 57c)

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## 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

#### SECTION 16: Other information

## Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

H360FD May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.

Repr. Reproductive toxicity

#### Full text of R-phrases referred to under sections 2 and 3

T Toxic

R60 May impair fertility.

R61 May cause harm to the unborn child.

Repr.Cat.2 Toxic to Reproduction Category 2

Further information

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Malvern Instruments and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product.