Safety Data Sheet
ULTRAMID® A3K Q603 UN POLYAMIDE

1. Product and Company Identification

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24 Hour Emergency Response Information
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Chemical family: polyamide
Synonyms: Nylon 6,6

2. Hazards Identification

Emergency overview

CAUTION:
MAY CAUSE EYE, SKIN AND RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION.
INGESTION MAY CAUSE GASTRIC DISTURBANCES.
Use with local exhaust ventilation.
Wear a NIOSH-certified (or equivalent) particulate respirator.
Wear protective clothing.
Eye wash fountains and safety showers must be easily accessible.

State of matter: solid
Colour: various, depending on the colourant
Odour: odourless

Potential health effects

Primary routes of exposure:
Routes of entry for solids and liquids include eye and skin contact, ingestion and inhalation. Routes of entry for gases include inhalation and eye contact. Skin contact may be a route of entry for liquified gases.

Acute toxicity:
Contact with molten product may cause thermal burns. The resin in pelleted form poses a low hazard.

Irritation / corrosion:
Irritation is possible when the product comes in contact with the skin, respiratory tract or the eyes.

Sensitization:
The substance is inert.

Chronic toxicity:

Repeated dose toxicity: No adverse effects have been reported in the processing and use of the product. No known chronic effects.

Genotoxicity: The substance is inert.

Medical conditions aggravated by overexposure:
Data available do not indicate that there are medical conditions that are generally recognized as being aggravated by exposure to this substance/product. See MSDS section 11 - Toxicological information.

Potential environmental effects

Aquatic toxicity:
The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the structure of the product. There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic organisms.

Degradation / environmental fate:
Experience shows this product to be inert and non-degradable.

3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

CAS Number	Content (W/W)	Chemical name
32131-17-2	> 95.0 %	polyamide (PA 66)

4. First-Aid Measures

General advice:
Remove contaminated clothing.

If inhaled:
Remove the affected individual into fresh air and keep the person calm. Assist in breathing if necessary. Immediate medical attention required.

If on skin:
Wash affected areas thoroughly with soap and water. If irritation develops, seek medical attention.

If in eyes:
In case of contact with the eyes, rinse immediately for at least 15 minutes with plenty of water. If irritation develops, seek medical attention.

If swallowed:
Ingestion is not likely in the available physical form. If ingested, seek medical attention.

5. Fire-Fighting Measures

Flash point:	> 400 °C	(Unspecified)
Autoignition:		not applicable
Self-ignition temperature:		not self-igniting

Suitable extinguishing media:
water spray, dry powder, carbon dioxide, foam

Hazards during fire-fighting:

No particular hazards known.

Protective equipment for fire-fighting:
Firefighters should be equipped with self-contained breathing apparatus and turn-out gear.

6. Accidental release measures

Environmental precautions:
This product is not regulated by RCRA. This product is not regulated by CERCLA ('Superfund').

Cleanup:
Reclaim for processing if possible. Sweep/shovel up. Place into suitable containers for reuse or disposal in a licensed facility.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling

Protection against fire and explosion:
No explosion proofing necessary.

Storage

General advice:
Keep container tightly closed. Avoid deposition of dust.

Storage stability:
Protect against moisture.

8. Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Advice on system design:
Provide local exhaust ventilation to control dusts/vapours.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection:
Wear a NIOSH-certified (or equivalent) particulate respirator. Wear respiratory protection if ventilation is inadequate.

Hand protection:
Wear gloves to prevent contact during mechanical processing and/or hot melt conditions.

Eye protection:
Tightly fitting safety goggles (chemical goggles).

General safety and hygiene measures:
Wear protective clothing to prevent contact during mechanical processing and/or hot melt conditions. Avoid inhalation of dust. Wash soiled clothing immediately.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Form:	pellets	
Odour:	odourless	
Colour:	various, depending on the colourant	
pH value:		not applicable
Melting temperature:	approx. 260 °C	(DIN 53765)
Boiling range:		The substance / product decomposes therefore not determined.
Vapour pressure:		not applicable
Relative density:		No data available.
Bulk density:	500 - 800 kg/m3	

Partitioning coefficient n-octanol/water (log Pow):	not applicable
Solubility in water:	insoluble

10. Stability and Reactivity

Conditions to avoid:
Avoid prolonged exposure to extreme heat.

Substances to avoid:
strong oxidizing agents, acids, bases

Hazardous reactions:
The product is chemically stable.

Decomposition products:
Possible thermal decomposition products:
hydrogen cyanide, carbon monoxide, ammonia

Thermal decomposition:
> 300 °C
May decompose if overheated and/or subjected to prolonged heating.

Corrosion to metals:
No corrosive effect on metal.

11. Toxicological information

Other Information:

Based on our experience and the information available, no adverse health effects are expected if handled as recommended with suitable precautions for designated uses.

12. Ecological Information

Bioaccumulation

The product will not be readily bioavailable due to its consistency and insolubility in water.

13. Disposal considerations

Waste disposal of substance:
Incinerate in a licensed facility. Do not discharge substance/product into sewer system.

Container disposal:
Dispose of in accordance with national, state and local regulations.

14. Transport Information

Land transport
USDOT

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

Sea transport
IMDG

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

Air transport
IATA/ICAO

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

15. Regulatory Information

Federal Regulations

Registration status:
Chemical TSCA, US released / listed

EPCRA 311/312 (Hazard categories): Not hazardous;

16. Other Information

Recommended use: Polymer for industrial processing only
Suitable for use in industrial sector: Polymers industry;

HMIS III rating
Health: 1 Flammability: 1 Physical hazard: 0

NFPA and HMIS use a numbering scale ranging from 0 to 4 to indicate the degree of hazard. A value of zero means that the substance possesses essentially no hazard; a rating of four indicates extreme danger. Although similar, the two rating systems are intended for different purposes, and use different criteria. The NFPA system was developed to provide an on-the-spot alert to the hazards of a material, and their severity, to emergency responders. The HMIS system was designed to communicate workplace hazard information to employees who handle hazardous chemicals.

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