

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. IDENTIFICATION

### Envirotemp® FR3® fluid

Envirotemp FR3 fluid is a dielectric fluid intended for use as an insulation and cooling medium in electrical apparatus such as electrical distribution and power transformers.

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## 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Envirotemp FR3 fluid is a proprietary formulation using food-grade vegetable oils combined with performance-enhancing additives. All components are listed in the EINECS inventory.

<u>Component</u>	<u>Proportion (wt%)</u>
Vegetable oil	> 98.5
Antioxidant additive	< 1.0
Cold flow additive	< 1.0
Colorant	< 1.0

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## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Envirotemp FR3 fluid is a preparation not classified as dangerous according to Directive 1999/45/EC. Not expected to cause a severe emergency hazard.

### Routes of entry

**Eyes:** Contact may occur as a result of splash or exposure to mist conditions. May cause irritation and redness.

**Skin:** Typically non-irritating. In some case, a sensitization to vegetable oils may cause localized redness

**Ingestion:** May cause gastric irritation.

**Inhalation:** Exposure may occur as a result of mist exposure. May cause respiratory irritation.

**Signs and symptoms of exposure:** none known

**Medical conditions generally aggravated by exposure:** There is a very small risk for an allergic reaction to soybean oil in persons allergic to soybeans themselves.

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Inhalation:** If inhaled, remove affected person from exposure to mists.

**Eye contact:** For eye contact, flush the eyes immediately with large amounts of water with the eyelids held away from the eye to ensure thorough rinsing.

**Skin contact:** For skin contact, remove by washing with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, observe for signs of stomach discomfort or nausea. If symptoms persist, seek medical help. Do not induce vomiting.

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## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Extinguishing media:** CO<sub>2</sub> or dry chemical foam

**Special fire fighting procedures:** Use approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facemask and full protective equipment in confined areas. Use water to keep fire-exposed containers cool. Water spray may be used to flush spills away from source of ignition. Application of water to flaming oil can cause spreading.

**Unusual fire and explosion hazards:** Slight when exposed to flame. Can react with oxidizing materials. Clay materials (Fuller's earth, oil dry products) saturated with Envirotemp FR3 fluid can, under certain conditions, undergo a slow oxidation that releases heat. If the heat so released cannot escape, it is possible that the temperature may increase and ignite combustible materials in close contact.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Steps to take in case material is released or spilled:** Contain and control the leaks or spills with non-combustible absorbent materials such as sand, earth, vermiculite, or diatomaceous earth in drums for waste disposal. Prevent any material from entering drains or waterways. If the product contaminates waterways, rivers or drains, alert the relevant authorities in accordance with statutory procedures.

In the USA, spills into navigable waters must be reported to the National Response Center, 800-424-8802

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Precautions to take in handling and storage:** Avoid extremes of temperature in storage. Store Envirotemp FR3 fluid in labeled, tightly closed containers in cool, dry, isolated and well-ventilated areas, away from sources of ignition or heat. To maintain fluid for intended use as an electrical insulating fluid, eliminate exposure to oxygen and moisture.

**Intermediate bulk storage container (tote):** Prolonged exposure to ultraviolet radiation (sunlight) may affect color.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Exposure limit values:**

	TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	
	OSHA <sup>1</sup> PEL	ACGIH <sup>2</sup> TLV
Vegetable oil mists	–	10
Vegetable oil mists: total dust	15	–
Vegetable oil mists: respirable fraction	5	–

**Hazardous Materials Identification System (HMIS):**

Health	Flammability	Physical Hazard
0	1	0

**Respiratory protection:** Vaporization is not expected at ambient temperature. Therefore, the need for respiratory protection is not anticipated under normal use conditions and with adequate ventilation. If elevated airborne concentrations above applicable workplace exposure levels are anticipated, a NIOSH-approved organic vapor respirator equipped with a dust/mist prefilter should be used. Protection factors vary depending upon the type of respirator used. Respirators should be used in accordance with OSHA requirements (29 CFR 1910.134). For extreme cases, use of approved supplied-air respiratory protection may be necessary.

**Ventilation:** General mechanical ventilation can be used to control or reduce airborne concentrations of oil.

**Protective gloves:** Use gloves constructed of chemical resistant materials such as neoprene or heavy nitrile rubber if frequent or prolonged contact is expected. Use heat-protective gloves when handling product at elevated temperatures.

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<sup>1</sup> U.S. Occupational Health and Safety Administration

<sup>2</sup> American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**Eye protection:** Wear safety glasses or goggles to prevent eye contact. Eye baths should be readily available in the area of handling Envirotemp FR3 fluid.

**Other protective clothing or equipment:** Wear regularly laundered coveralls or lab coat to minimize skin exposure.

**Workplace hygienic practices:** Wash with soap and water after contact. Avoid exposure to mists.

**Environmental exposure controls:** Have oil-absorbent materials easily available.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance and odor:** clear light-green liquid with slight vegetable oil odor      **pH:** neutral  
**Closed cup flash point:** 310 – 320°C      **Autoignition temperature:** 401 – 404°C  
**Boiling point:** >360°C      **Relative density (H<sub>2</sub>O = 1):** 0.92  
**Vapor pressure (mm Hg):** < 0.01 @ 20°C      **Pour point:** -18 to -24°C  
**Vapor density (air = 1):** n/a      **Evaporation rate (butyl acetate = 1):** nil  
**Solubility in water:** negligible; < 0.1%      **Volatile organic compounds:** < 0.001 g/L  
**Viscosity:** 33 – 35 mm<sup>2</sup>/s at 40°C      **Miscibility:** mixes with other dielectric fluids except silicone

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Stability:** Envirotemp FR3 fluid is stable under normal conditions of use.

**Incompatibility (materials to avoid):** Avoid contact with strong oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** none

**Hazardous Polymerization:** will not occur

**Stabilizers:** not required

**Hazardous exothermic reaction:** Slight when exposed to flame; can react with oxidizing materials. Class III B liquid. Clay materials (Fuller's earth, oil dry products) saturated with Envirotemp FR3 fluid can, under certain conditions, undergo a slow oxidation that releases heat. If the heat so released cannot escape, it is possible that the temperature may increase and ignite combustible materials in close contact.

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Carcinogenicity:** none      **NTP:** no      **IARC monographs:** no      **OSHA regulated:** no

Envirotemp FR3 fluid base oils are "generally recognized as safe" (GRAS) by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and allowed for human consumption as a food and as a component that is allowed in contact with human food.

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Acute oral toxicity (OECD 420 - rats):** LD<sub>50</sub> >2000 mg/kg

**Acute aquatic toxicity (OECD 203 - trout):** LC<sub>50</sub> >1000 mg/kg; NOAEC >1000 mg/kg

**Aquatic biodegradation (OPPTS 835.3110):** readily biodegradable, >99%

**Biological oxidation demand (5-Day SM5210B):** 250 ppm

**Chemical oxygen demand (SM5220D):** 560 ppm      **BOD/COD ratio:** 45%

**Petroleum hydrocarbon content:** none

**Environmental physical hazard:** Envirotemp FR3 fluid shares physical hazards common to all oils such as coating feathers, fur, and gills.

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Recycling:** Consult with local used oil recyclers, restaurant grease recyclers, fat rendering companies, or biodiesel producers.

**Hazardous Waste:** Envirotemp FR3 fluid itself, when discarded or disposed of, is not a hazardous waste. Envirotemp FR3 fluid from retrofilled electrical equipment may contain residues of earlier fluid(s) in such quantity as to qualify as a hazardous waste.

**Disposal:** Incinerate or landfill in accordance with local regulations. Do not pour into drains or waterways.

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### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**Harmonized System Tariff Classification (Schedule B):** 1518.00.0000

**National Motor Freight Classification (NMFC):** 155250

**Euro Tariff:** 15 18 00 00 00

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### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Envirotemp FR3 fluid itself, when discarded or disposed of, is not listed as a hazardous waste per 40 CFR 261 and is not a used oil per 40 CFR 279. Envirotemp FR3 fluid is a preparation not classified as dangerous according to Directive 1999/45/EC.

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### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Technical information available at the Cooper Power Systems website: [www.cooperpower.com](http://www.cooperpower.com)

This Material Safety Data Sheet has been prepared in order to help the users of Envirotemp FR3 fluid. The data contained herein is, to the best of our knowledge, accurate as of the date of preparation of this sheet.

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