

# Safety data for lithium carbonate



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## General

Synonyms: dilithium carbonate, carbonic acid lithium salt

Molecular formula:  $\text{Li}_2\text{CO}_3$

CAS No: 554-13-2

EC No: 209-062-5

PubChem substance ID: 24882220

## Physical data

Appearance: white crystalline powder

Melting point: 720 C

Boiling point:

Vapour density:

Vapour pressure:

Density ( $\text{g cm}^{-3}$ ): 2.11

Flash point:

Explosion limits:

Autoignition temperature:

Water solubility: moderate

## Stability

Stable. Moisture sensitive. Incompatible with fluorine, water, strong acids.

# Toxicology

Harmful if swallowed or inhaled. May be harmful in contact with skin. Irritant.

## Toxicity data

(The meaning of any abbreviations which appear in this section is given [here.](#))

ORL-RAT LD50 525 mg kg<sup>-1</sup>

IPR-RAT LD50 156 mg kg<sup>-1</sup>

SCU-RAT LD50 434 mg kg<sup>-1</sup>

IVN-RAT LD50 241 mg kg<sup>-1</sup>

## Risk phrases

(The meaning of any risk phrases which appear in this section is given [here.](#))

R20 R22 R36 R37 R38.

# Transport information

(The meaning of any UN hazard codes which appear in this section is given [here.](#))

Non-hazardous for air, sea and road freight.

# Personal protection

Safety glasses. Do not breathe dust.

## Safety phrases

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**Specification:**

Item	Standard
Li <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	99.0% min
Insoluble matters in HCl	0.01% max
CaO	0.03% max
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.001% max
B	0.0003% max
SO <sub>4</sub>	0.04% max
Na	0.04% max
K	0.003% max
Mg	0.005% max
H <sub>2</sub> O	0.4% max
Cl	0.01% max

**Packing:**

In 25kg pp woven bag lined with plastic bag