Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Isopentyl Alcohol

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SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Isopentyl alcohol
Synonyms: 3-methyl-1-butanol
CAS#: 123-51-3

SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Clear, colorless liquid with a strong, disagreeable, odor like alcohol.
Irritant to body tissues. Slightly toxic by ingestion, inhalation, and skin absorption.
Avoid ingestion, inhalation, and skin absorption.
Class II combustible liquid.

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.
Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.
Eye: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.
External: Wash continuously with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.
Internal: Give large quantities of water. Call a physician or poison control at once.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Class II combustible liquid.
Flash Point: 114 °F Upper: 9% Lower: 1.2% Autoignition Temperature: 644 °F
When heated to decomposition, emits acrid smoke and fumes.
Fire Fighting Instructions: Use a triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Remove all ignition sources and ventilate area. Contain the spill with sand or other inert absorbent material and deposit in a sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #2. Store with alcohols, glycols, amines, and amides.
Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a dedicated flammables cabinet. If a flammables cabinet is not available, store in Flinn Saf-Stor can. Use and dispense in a hood.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and a chemical-resistant apron. Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire).
Exposure guidelines: TWA 100 ppm, STEL 125 ppm (OSHA, ACGIH)
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SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Clear, colorless liquid with a strong, disagreeable odor like alcohol. Specific Gravity: 0.813
Solubility: Slightly soluble in water. Miscible with alcohol and ether. Melting Point: -117 °C
Formula: (CH₃)₂CHCH₂CH₂OH Boiling Point: 130 °C
Formula Weight: 88.17

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with strong oxidizers, acid chlorides, and anhydrides.
Shelf life: Poor. May form explosive peroxides with age; do not distill to dryness.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Harmful liquid, irritant. ORL-RAT LD₅₀: 1300 mg/kg
Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A.
Target organs: Central nervous system. SKN-RBT LD₅₀: 3212 mg/kg

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please consult with state and local regulations.
Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #18b is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping Name: Amyl Alcohols
Hazard Class: 3, Flammable liquid
UN Number: UN1105
N/A = Not applicable

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (204-633-5), RCRA code D001.

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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