# **Material Safety Data Sheet**

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# 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Biphenyl

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# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

# **Emergency Overview**

#### **OSHA Hazards**

Target Organ Effect, Irritant

# **Target Organs**

Liver, Central nervous system, Peripheral nervous system.

### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H303 May be harmful if swallowed.
H315 Causes skin irritation.
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.
H371 May cause damage to organs.
H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if

present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

**HMIS Classification** 

Health hazard: 2
Chronic Health Hazard: \*
Flammability: 1
Physical hazards: 0

**NFPA Rating** 

Health hazard: 2
Fire: 1
Reactivity Hazard: 0

# **Potential Health Effects**

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.

**Skin** May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.

**Eyes** Causes eye irritation.

**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Formula : C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub> Molecular Weight : 154.21 g/mol

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
Biphenyl			
92-52-4	202-163-5	601-042-00-8	-

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### 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

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

#### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

#### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

### Suitable extinguishing media

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

### Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

### **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

#### Personal precautions

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing dust. Ensure adequate ventilation.

# **Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

# Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

# Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

# Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control	Update	Basis
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			parameters		
Biphenyl	92-52-4	TWA	0.2 ppm	2007-01-01	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
Remarks	Pulmonary fu	unction			
		TWA	0.2 ppm 1 mg/m3	1989-01-19	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		TWA	0.2 ppm 1 mg/m3	1997-08-04	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
	The value in	mg/m3 is	approximate.		

# Personal protective equipment

# **Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a dust mask type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

# **Hand protection**

Handle with gloves.

# Eye protection

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166

# Skin and body protection

Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.

# Hygiene measures

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

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# **Appearance**

Form crystalline
Colour light yellow
Odour characteristic

# Safety data

pH 5.5

Melting point 68 - 70 °C (154 - 158 °F) - lit.

Boiling point 255 °C (491 °F) - lit.

Flash point 110 °C (230 °F) - closed cup

Ignition temperature 540 °C (1,004 °F)

Lower explosion limit 0.6 %(V) Upper explosion limit 5.8 %(V)

Vapour pressure 0.04 hPa (0.03 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)

5.5 hPa (4.1 mmHg) at 100 °C (212 °F) 12.6 hPa (9.5 mmHg) at 115 °C (239 °F) 95.7 hPa (71.8 mmHg) at 166 °C (331 °F)

Density 0.992 g/cm3

Water solubility 0.0075 g/l at 15 °C (59 °F)

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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### **Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Conditions to avoid

no data available

#### Materials to avoid

Strong oxidizing agents

# **Hazardous decomposition products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - rat - 2,140 mg/kg

Remarks: Behavioral:Somnolence (general depressed activity). Behavioral:Muscle weakness. Gastrointestinal disturbance

LD50 Dermal - rabbit - > 5,010 mg/kg

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - rabbit - Severe skin irritation - 24 h - Draize Test

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - rabbit - Mild eye irritation - Draize Test

# Respiratory or skin sensitization

guinea pig -

Remarks: Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals.

# Germ cell mutagenicity

Genotoxicity in vitro - mouse - lymphocyte

DNA damage

Genotoxicity in vitro - mouse - lymphocyte

Mutation in mammalian somatic cells.

Genotoxicity in vitro - Hamster - Lungs

Mutation in microorganisms

Genotoxicity in vitro - Hamster - fibroblast

Sister chromatid exchange

Genotoxicity in vivo - rat - Oral

Unscheduled DNA synthesis

Genotoxicity in vivo - mouse - Oral

DNA damage

#### Carcinogenicity

Carcinogenicity - mouse - Oral

Tumorigenic:Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria. Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Tumors. Blood:Tumors.

Carcinogenicity - mouse - Subcutaneous

Tumorigenic:Neoplastic by RTECS criteria. Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Tumors. Liver:Tumors.

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.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a

carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or

anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a

carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

### Reproductive toxicity

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no data available

# Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (GHS)

May cause damage to organs.

# Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (GHS)

no data available

# **Aspiration hazard**

no data available

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# Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Liver injury may occur., Gastrointestinal disturbance

Additional Information RTECS: DU8050000

# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# **Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 1.45 mg/l - 96.0 h

LC0 - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - 38 mg/l - 96.0 h

LC50 - Salmo gairdneri - 1.5 mg/l - 96.0 h

LC50 - Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 4.7 mg/l - 96.0 h

Toxicity to daphnia

and other aquatic invertebrates.

LC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 0.36 mg/l - 48 h

# Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability Method: Closed Bottle test

Remarks: According to the results of tests of biodegradability this product is considered as

being readily biodegradable.

### Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - 3 d

Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 281

# Mobility in soil

no data available

#### PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

# Other adverse effects

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### **Product**

Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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DOT (US)

UN-Number: 3077 Class: 9 Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Environmentally hazardous substances, solid, n.o.s. (Biphenyl)

Reportable Quantity (RQ): 100 lbs Marine pollutant: Marine pollutant Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG** 

UN-Number: 3077 Class: 9 Packing group: III EMS-No: F-A, S-F

Proper shipping name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (Biphenyl)

Marine pollutant: Marine pollutant

**IATA** 

UN-Number: 3077 Class: 9 Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (Biphenyl)

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

# **OSHA Hazards**

Target Organ Effect, Irritant

### **DSL Status**

All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL list.

### **SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

#### **SARA 313 Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
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#### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

# **Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

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Pennsylvania Right To Know Components		
·	CAS-No.	<b>Revision Date</b>
Biphenyl	92-52-4	2007-07-01
New Jersey Right To Know Components		
·	CAS-No.	<b>Revision Date</b>
Biphenyl	92-52-4	2007-07-01

### California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

### **Further information**

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