# **Material Safety Data Sheet**

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### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Ethanol

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

# **Emergency Overview**

### **OSHA Hazards**

Flammable liquid, Target Organ Effect, Irritant

### **Target Organs**

Nerves., Liver, HeartNerves., Liver, Heart

#### **GHS Classification**

Flammable liquids (Category 2) Skin irritation (Category 2) Eye irritation (Category 2B)

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3)

### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word Danger

Hazard statement(s)

Highly flammable liquid and vapour. H225 Causes skin and eye irritation. H315 + H320 H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray. P261

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

present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

**HMIS Classification** 

2 Health hazard: **Chronic Health Hazard:** Flammability: 3 Physical hazards: 0

**NFPA** Rating

Health hazard: 2 Fire: 3 Reactivity Hazard: 0

### **Potential Health Effects**

InhalationSkinMay be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.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

Synonyms : Ethyl alcohol

Formula : C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O Molecular Weight : 46.07 g/mol

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
Ethanol			
64-17-5	200-578-6	603-002-00-5	-

### 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

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

# **Conditions of flammability**

Flammable in the presence of a source of ignition when the temperature is above the flash point. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flame/hot surface. No smoking.

### 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.

# **Hazardous combustion products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

#### **Further information**

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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# Personal precautions

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

#### **Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

#### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

# Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Use explosion-proof equipment. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

### Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Hygroscopic.

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

# Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control	Basis		
			parameters			
Ethanol	64-17-5	TWA	1,000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)		
Remarks	The agent is administratio worker exposed hun	Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Confirmed animal carcinogen with unknown relevance to humans: The agent is carcinogenic in experimental animals at a relatively high dose, by route(s) of administration, at site(s), of histologic type(s), or by mechanism(s) that may not be relevant to worker exposure. Available epidemiologic studies do not confirm an increased risk of cancer in exposed humans. Available evidence does not suggest that the agent is likely to cause cancer in humans except under uncommon or unlikely routes or levels of exposure.				
		TWA	1,000 ppm 1,900 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000		
		TWA	1,000 ppm 1,900 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants		
	The value in	The value in mg/m3 is approximate.				
		TWA	1,000 ppm 1,900 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits		

### Personal protective equipment

# Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Hand protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

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# Eye protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

### Skin and body protection

impervious clothing, Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

### 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 liquid, clear Colour colourless

### Safety data

pH no data available

Melting point/freezing point

Melting point/range: -114 °C (-173 °F) - lit.

Boiling point 78.3 °C (172.9 °F)

Flash point 14.0 °C (57.2 °F) - closed cup

Ignition temperature 363 °C (685 °F)

Autoignition temperature

363.0 °C (685.4 °F)

Lower explosion limit 3.3 %(V) Upper explosion limit 19 %(V)

Vapour pressure 59.5 hPa (44.6 mmHg) at 20.0 °C (68.0 °F)

Density 0.789 g/mL at 20 °C (68 °F)

0.789 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F)

Water solubility completely soluble Partition coefficient: no data available

n-octanol/water

Relative vapour

no data available

density

Odour no data available
Odour Threshold no data available
Evaporation rate no data available

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

# **Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.

#### Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks. Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight.

### Materials to avoid

Alkali metals, Ammonia, Oxidizing agents, Peroxides

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# **Hazardous decomposition products**

Other decomposition products - no data available

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

#### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### **Acute toxicity**

### Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - rat - 7,060 mg/kg

Remarks: Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Other changes.

#### Inhalation LC50

LC50 Inhalation - rat - 10 h - 20000 ppm

#### **Dermal LD50**

no data available

# Other information on acute toxicity

no data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - rabbit - Irritating to skin. - 24 h

### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - rabbit - Mild eye irritation - 24 h - Draize Test

### Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

### Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

### Carcinogenicity

Carcinogenicity - mouse - Oral

Tumorigenic: Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria. Liver: Tumors. Blood: Lymphomas including Hodgkin's disease.

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.

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

Reproductive toxicity - Human - female - Oral

Effects on Newborn: Apgar score (human only). Effects on Newborn: Other neonatal measures or effects. Effects on Newborn: Drug dependence.

no data available

### **Teratogenicity**

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

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# **Aspiration hazard**

no data available

### Potential health effects

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

Ingestion May be harmful if swallowed.

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

**Eyes** Causes eye irritation.

### Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Central nervous system depression, narcosis, Damage to the heart., To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

# Synergistic effects

no data available

# Additional Information

RTECS: KQ6300000

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### **Toxicity**

no data available

# Persistence and degradability

no data available

#### Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

# Mobility in soil

no data available

#### PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

Other adverse effects

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### **Product**

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)

UN number: 1170 Class: 3 Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Ethanol Reportable Quantity (RQ): Marine pollutant: No

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG** 

UN number: 1170 Class: 3 Packing group: II EMS-No: F-E, S-D

Proper shipping name: ETHANOL

Marine pollutant: No

IATA

UN number: 1170 Class: 3 Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Ethanol

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### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### **OSHA Hazards**

Flammable liquid, Target Organ Effect, Irritant

#### **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**

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

# **Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Ethanol	64-17-5	2007-03-01
Pennsylvania Right To Know Components		
	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Ethanol	64-17-5	2007-03-01
New Jersey Right To Know Components		
	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Ethanol	64-17-5	2007-03-01

### 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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