Material Safety Data Sheet

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name Tetrahydrofuran

Product Number 401757 Brand Sigma-Aldrich

Product Use For laboratory research purposes.

USA

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

OSHA Hazards

Flammable liquid, Target Organ Effect, Harmful by ingestion., Irritant, Carcinogen

Target Organs

Central nervous system, Liver, Kidney

Other hazards which do not result in classification

May form explosive peroxides.

GHS Classification

Flammable liquids (Category 2) Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4) Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 5)

Skin irritation (Category 3)

Serious eye damage (Category 1)

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3)

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Signal word

Hazard statement(s)

Pictogram

H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour.

Danger

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H313 May be harmful in contact with skin.

Causes mild skin irritation. H316 H318 Causes serious eye damage.

May cause respiratory irritation, and drowsiness or dizziness. H335 + H336

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Precautionary statement(s)

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

P261 Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
P280 Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.

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: 3
Physical hazards: 3

NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 2 Fire: 3 Reactivity Hazard: 0

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation. Vapours may cause

drowsiness and dizziness.

Skin Harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.

Eyes Causes eye irritation. **Ingestion** Harmful if swallowed.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : THF

Formula : C4H8O Molecular Weight : 72.11 g/mol

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
Tetrahydrofuran			
109-99-9	203-726-8	603-025-00-0	-

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.

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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

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.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis	
Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	TWA	50 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)	
Remarks	Central Nervous System impairment Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Kidney damage 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. Danger of cutaneous absorption				
		STEL	100 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)	
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		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000	
		STEL	250 ppm 735 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000	
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants	

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The value in mg/m3 is approximate.			
TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits	
ST	250 ppm 735 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 AXBEK (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.

Eye protection

Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin and body protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, 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 -108.0 °C (-162.4 °F)

point/freezing point

Boiling point 65.0 - 67.0 °C (149.0 - 152.6 °F)

Flash point -17.0 °C (1.4 °F) - closed cup

Ignition temperature 321 °C (610 °F) Autoignition 321.0 °C (609.8

temperature

321.0 °C (609.8 °F)

Lower explosion limit 1.8 %(V)
Upper explosion limit 11.8 %(V)

Vapour pressure 152.0 hPa (114.0 mmHg) at 15.0 °C (59.0 °F)

190.7 hPa (143.0 mmHg) at 20.0 °C (68.0 °F) 213.3 hPa (160.0 mmHg) at 25.0 °C (77.0 °F) 373.3 hPa (280.0 mmHg) at 38.0 °C (100.4 °F)

Density 0.89 g/cm3
Water solubility soluble
Partition coefficient: log Pow: < 1

n-octanol/water

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Viscosity, kinematic 0.512 mm2/s at 25 °C (77 °F)

0.403 mm2/s at 50 °C (122 °F)

Relative vapour

density

no data available

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

Oxidizing agents, Oxygen

Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

Other decomposition products - no data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - rat - 1,650 mg/kg

LD50 Oral - guinea pig - 2,300 mg/kg

Inhalation LC50

LC50 Inhalation - rat - 3 h - 21000 ppm

Remarks: Drowsiness Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Respiratory stimulation. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea.

Dermal LD50

LD50 Dermal - rat - > 2,000 mg/kg

Other information on acute toxicity

no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - rabbit - Mild skin irritation - Draize Test

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - rabbit - Risk of serious damage to eyes. - Draize Test

Respiratory or skin sensitization

mouse - Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals.

Germ cell mutagenicity

In vivo tests did not show mutagenic effects

Carcinogenicity

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.

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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

No toxicity to reproduction

Teratogenicity

no data available

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

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

May cause drowsiness or dizziness. - Nervous system

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

The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure.

Aspiration hazard

No aspiration toxicity classification

Potential health effects

Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation. Vapours may cause

drowsiness and dizziness.

Ingestion Harmful if swallowed.

Skin Harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.

Eyes Causes eye irritation.

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Central nervous system depression, Cough, chest pain, Difficulty in breathing, Exposure to high airborne concentrations can cause anesthetic effects., 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: LU5950000

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 2,160 mg/l - 96 h

Toxicity to algae Growth inhibition NOEC - Algae - 3,700 mg/l - 192 h

Persistence and degradability

Expected to be biodegradable

Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

Mobility in soil

no data available

PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

Other adverse effects

no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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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: 2056 Class: 3 Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Tetrahydrofuran Reportable Quantity (RQ): 1000 lbs

Marine pollutant: No

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG

UN number: 2056 Class: 3 Packing group: II EMS-No: F-E, S-D

Proper shipping name: TETRAHYDROFURAN

Marine pollutant: No

IATA

UN number: 2056 Class: 3 Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Tetrahydrofuran

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Hazards

Flammable liquid, Target Organ Effect, Harmful by ingestion., Irritant, Carcinogen

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
Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	2007-03-01
Pennsylvania Right To Know Components		
	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	2007-03-01
New Jersey Right To Know Components		
	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	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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