

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Benzyl alcohol

Product Number : 305197
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich
Index-No. : 603-057-00-5

CAS-No. : 100-51-6

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich
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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 4), H332
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4), H312
Skin irritation (Category 2), H315
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 2), H401

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Warning

Hazard statement(s)
H302 + H312 + H332
H315
H401

Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled
Causes skin irritation.
Toxic to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)

P261 Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing.
P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.
P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.
P322 Specific measures (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).
P330 Rinse mouth.
P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS

May form explosive peroxides.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Benzenemethanol
Formula : C₇H₈O
Molecular Weight : 108.14 g/mol
CAS-No. : 100-51-6
EC-No. : 202-859-9
Index-No. : 603-057-00-5

Hazardous components

| Component | Classification | Concentration |
|-----------------------|--|---------------|
| Benzyl alcohol | | |
| | Acute Tox. 4; Skin Irrit. 2; Aquatic Acute 2; H302 + H312 + H332, H315, H401 | - |

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4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of 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

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed

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

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

no data available

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

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

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Carbon oxides

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5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information

no data available

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation.

For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 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.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

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

For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

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

Handle and store under inert gas. hygroscopic

7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

| Component | CAS-No. | Value | Control parameters | Basis |
|----------------|----------|-------|--------------------|---|
| Benzyl alcohol | 100-51-6 | TWA | 10 ppm | USA. Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels (WEEL) |

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

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

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face 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 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.

Full contact

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.3 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 897 / Aldrich Z677647, Size M)

Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.4 mm

Break through time: 30 min

Material tested: Camatril® (KCL 730 / Aldrich Z677442, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

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).

Control of environmental exposure

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

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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| a) Appearance | Form: liquid, clear Colour: colourless |
| b) Odour | no data available |
| c) Odour Threshold | no data available |
| d) pH | no data available |
| e) Melting point/freezing point | Melting point/range: -16 - -13 °C (3 - 9 °F) |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range | 203 - 205 °C (397 - 401 °F) |
| g) Flash point | 96 °C (205 °F) - closed cup |
| h) Evaporation rate | no data available |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas) | no data available |
| j) Upper/lower | no data available |

flammability or
explosive limits

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|---|--|
| k) Vapour pressure | 5.00 hPa (3.75 mmHg) at 77 °C (171 °F) 17.7 hPa (13.3 mmHg) at 100 °C (212 °F) 0.125 hPa (0.094 mmHg) at 25 °C (77 °F) |
| l) Vapour density | 3.73 - (Air = 1.0) |
| m) Relative density | 1.045 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F) |
| n) Water solubility | 33 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F) |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water | log Pow: 1.1 |
| p) Auto-ignition temperature | no data available |
| q) Decomposition temperature | no data available |
| r) Viscosity | no data available |
| s) Explosive properties | no data available |
| t) Oxidizing properties | no data available |

9.2 Other safety information

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Surface tension | 39 mN/m at 20 °C (68 °F) |
| Relative vapour density | 3.73 - (Air = 1.0) |

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

no data available

10.2 Chemical stability

hygroscopic

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Test for peroxide formation before distillation or evaporation. Test for peroxide formation or discard after 1 year.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid

A mixture of benzyl alcohol and 58% sulfuric acid decomposed violently when heated to 180°C. Benzyl alcohol containing 1.4% hydrogen bromide and 1.1% of an iron(II) salt polymerized exothermally when heated above 100°C.

10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - no data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - rat - 1,230 mg/kg

Remarks: Behavioral:Somnolence (general depressed activity). Behavioral:Excitement. Behavioral:Coma.

Inhalation: no data available

LD50 Dermal - rabbit - 2,000 mg/kg

no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - rabbit

Result: Irritating to skin. - 24 h

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

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.

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

no data available

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

no data available

Aspiration hazard

no data available

Additional Information

RTECS: DN3150000

Central nervous system depression

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 10 mg/l - 96 h

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 55 mg/l - 24 h

12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability Biotic/Aerobic - Exposure time 28 d
Result: 92 - 96 % - Readily biodegradable.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

12.4 Mobility in soil

no data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 Other adverse effects

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.
Toxic to aquatic life.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product

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: 3334 Class: 9
Proper shipping name: A Aviation regulated liquid, n.o.s. (Benzyl alcohol)
Marine pollutant: No
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG

Not dangerous goods

IATA

UN number: 3334 Class: 9 Packing group: III
Proper shipping name: Aviation regulated liquid, n.o.s. (Benzyl alcohol)

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components

| | CAS-No. | Revision Date |
|----------------|----------|---------------|
| Benzyl alcohol | 100-51-6 | 1993-04-24 |

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

| | CAS-No. | Revision Date |
|----------------|----------|---------------|
| Benzyl alcohol | 100-51-6 | 1993-04-24 |

New Jersey Right To Know Components

| | CAS-No. | Revision Date |
|----------------|----------|---------------|
| Benzyl alcohol | 100-51-6 | 1993-04-24 |

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

Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

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|---------------|------------------------|
| Acute Tox. | Acute toxicity |
| Aquatic Acute | Acute aquatic toxicity |

H302 Harmful if swallowed.
H302 + H312 + H332 Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled
H312 Harmful in contact with skin.
H315 Causes skin irritation.

HMIS Rating

Health hazard: 2
Chronic Health Hazard: *
Flammability: 1
Physical Hazard 1

NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 2
Fire Hazard: 1
Reactivity Hazard: 1

Further information

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