SIGMA-ALDRICH

Material Safety Data Sheet

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Methanol

Product Number : M3641 Brand : Sigma

Company : Sigma-Aldrich

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2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Formula : CH4O Molecular Weight : 32.04 g/mol

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
Methanol			
67-56-1	200-659-6	603-001-00-X	-

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview OSHA Hazards

Flammable Liquid

Target Organ Effect
Toxic by inhalation.
Toxic by ingestion

Toxic by skin absorption

Irritant

Target Organs

Eyes, Kidney, Liver, Heart, Central nervous system

HMIS Classification

Health Hazard: 2

Chronic Health Hazard: *

Flammability: 3 Physical hazards: 0

NFPA Rating

Health Hazard: 2

Fire: 3

Reactivity Hazard: 0

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation Toxic if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.Skin Toxic if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.

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

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. Take victim immediately to hospital. 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

Flammable properties

Flash point 11.0 °C (51.8 °F) - closed cup

Ignition 455 °C (851 °F)

temperature

Suitable extinguishing media

For small (incipient) fires, use media such as "alcohol" foam, dry chemical, or carbon dioxide. For large fires, apply water from as far as possible. Use very large quantities (flooding) of water applied as a mist or spray; solid streams of water may be ineffective. Cool all affected containers with flooding quantities of water.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

Further information

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions

Wear respiratory protection. 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 for cleaning up

Contain spillage, and then collect with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and place in container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13).

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling

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

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

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. Store in cool place.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control	Update	Basis			
•			parameters					
Methanol	67-56-1	TWA	200 ppm 262 mg/m3	1994-09-01	US. American Conference of Governmental and Industrial Hygienists Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances in the Work Environment; Annual Reports for the Year 2004:Committees on Threshold Limit Values (TLVs) and Biological Exposure Indices (BEIs)			
Remarks	Remarks Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or							
		STEL	250 ppm 328 mg/m3	1994-09-01	US. American Conference of Governmental and Industrial Hygienists Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances in the Work Environment; Annual Reports for the Year 2004:Committees on Threshold Limit Values (TLVs) and Biological Exposure Indices (BEIs)			
	Substances	Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices.						
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	1989-03-01	US. Department of Labor - Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 CFR 1910.1000 Z-1-A			
		STEL	250 ppm 325 mg/m3	1989-03-01	US. Department of Labor - Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 CFR 1910.1000 Z-1-A			
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	1993-06-30	US. Department of Labor - Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) 29 CFR 1910.1000 Air Contaminants.			

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.

Eye protection

Safety glasses

Skin and body protection

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

Hygiene measures

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance

Form liquid

Colour colourless

Safety data

no data available Hq **Melting** point -98.0 °C (-144.4 °F)

64.0 - 65.0 °C (147.2 - 149.0 °F) Boiling point Flash point 11.0 °C (51.8 °F) - closed cup

Ignition temperature 455 °C (851 °F)

Lower explosion

limit

6 %(V)

Upper explosion

limit

36 %(V)

Vapour pressure 546.6 hPa (410.0 mmHg) at 50.0 °C (122.0 °F) 130.3 hPa (97.7 mmHg) at 20.0 °C (68.0 °F)

0.79 g/cm3 Density

Water solubility completely miscible Partition coefficient:

n-octanol/water

log Pow: -0.77

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Storage stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks.

Materials to avoid

acids, Acid chlorides, Acid anhydrides, Oxidizing agents, Alkali metals, Reducing agents

Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

Hazardous reactions

Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - rat - 5,628 mg/kg

LC50 Inhalation - rat - 4 h - 64000 ppm

LD50 Dermal - rabbit - 15,800 mg/kg

Irritation and corrosion

Skin - rabbit - Skin irritation - 24 h

Eyes - rabbit - Eye irritation - 24 h

Sensitisation

no data available

Chronic exposure

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.

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Methyl alcohol may be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed., Cannot be made non-poisonous., Effects due to ingestion may include:, Nausea, Headache, Vomiting, Gastrointestinal disturbance, Dizziness, Weakness, Confusion., Drowsiness, Unconsciousness, May cause convulsions.

Potential Health Effects

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Elimination information (persistence and degradability)

no data available

Ecotoxicity effects

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 19,000.00 mg/l - 96 h

LC50 - Cyprinus carpio (Carp) - 36,000.00 mg/l - 48 h

Toxicity to daphnia EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 24,500.00 mg/l - 48 h

and other aquatic invertebrates.

EC100 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 10,000.00 mg/l - 24 h

Further information on ecology

no data available

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. 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

DOT (US)

UN-Number: 1230 Class: 3 Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Methanol

IMDG

UN-Number: 1230 Class: 3 (6.1) Packing group: II EMS-No: F-E, S-D

Proper shipping name: METHANOL

Marine pollutant: No

IATA

UN-Number: 1230 Class: 3 (6.1) Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Methanol

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Hazards

Flammable Liquid, Target Organ Effect, Toxic by inhalation., Toxic by ingestion, Toxic by skin absorption, Irritant

TSCA Status

On TSCA Inventory

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

Methanol CAS-No. Revision Date 67-56-1 1987-01-01

SARA 311/312 Hazards

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components

Methanol CAS-No. Revision Date 67-56-1 1987-01-01

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

Methanol CAS-No. Revision Date 67-56-1 1987-01-01

New Jersey Right To Know Components

Methanol

CAS-No. 67-56-1

Revision Date 1987-01-01

California Prop. 65 Components

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

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Further information

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