

Safety Data Sheet

Benzyl Alcohol

SECTION 1 - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifier

Product name: Benzyl Alcohol

Synonym(s): Benzenmethanol; Benzoyl Alcohol; Benzenecarbinol; α -Hyoxytoluene; Hydroxytoluene; Phenylcarbinol; Phenylmethanol; Phenylmethyl Alcohol; α -Toluene

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

General use: Industrial applications

Uses advised against: None known

1.3 Details of the Supplier and of the Safety Data Sheet

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SECTION 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of substance or mixture

Product definition: Substance

Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS) and Regulation EC No. 1272/2008

Acute toxicity, oral - Category 4 [H302]

Eye Irritation - Category 2A [H319]

Acute toxicity, Inhalation - Category 4 [H332]

2.2 Label elements

Hazard symbol(s):



GHS07

Signal word: Warning

Hazard statement(s): H302 - Harmful if swallowed
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation
H332 - Harmful if inhaled

Precautionary statements:

[Prevention]

P261 - Avoid breathing mist, vapor, fume or spray.

P264 - Wash hands and other exposed skin areas thoroughly after handling.

P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P280 - Wear protective gloves, protective clothing and eye protection.

[Response]

P301 + P330 + P312 - IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell.

P304 + P340 + P312 - IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell.

P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P337 + P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.

[Disposal]

P501 - Dispose of contents and containers in accordance with national and local regulations.

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

None known

SECTION 3 - COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

% by Weight	Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Index Number	GHS Classification
> 99	Benzyl Alcohol	100-51-6	202-859-9	603-057-00-5	H302, H332

There are no additional ingredients present in this product which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable,

are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section.

3.2 Mixtures

Not applicable

SECTION 4 – FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

Inhalation: If product mist or vapor causes respiratory irritation or distress, move the exposed person to fresh air immediately. If breathing is difficult or irregular, administer oxygen; if respiratory arrest occurs, start artificial respiration by trained personnel. If unconscious, maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Seek immediate medical attention.

Eyes: Immediately flush eyes with large amounts of water or saline solution for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do, after first 2 minutes and continue rinsing. Seek immediate medical attention, preferably from an ophthalmologist.

Skin: Rinse skin with water while removing contaminated clothing. Wash the affected area with soap and water followed by thorough rinsing. Wash contaminated clothing and shoes before reuse. If irritation persists, seek immediate medical attention.

Ingestion: Rinse mouth with water if the victim is conscious. Remove dentures if present. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. If vomiting occurs, the head should be kept lower than the waist so that vomit does not enter the lungs. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious or convulsing person. Do not leave the victim unattended. If the victim is unconscious, place in the recovery position and get immediate medical attention. Immediately contact a poison control center or doctor. Seek medical attention if the victim feels unwell or if a large quantity of material has been ingested.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Potential health symptoms and effects

Eyes: Causes severe eye irritation. Symptoms may include redness, swelling, pain, tearing and blurred vision. Vapor or mist can cause eye irritation. Symptoms may be delayed.

Skin: May cause skin irritation with localized redness and discomfort. May cause a local anesthetic effect. Prolonged and repeated skin contact may cause defatting of the skin and dermatitis. May be harmful if absorbed through the skin. Systemic effects may result following absorption.

Inhalation: Harmful if inhaled. Causes irritation of the upper respiratory tract. May cause headache, cough and shortness of breath, nausea, drowsiness or dizziness.

Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed. Causes irritation of the gastrointestinal tract. Symptoms may include nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain and diarrhea. May affect the central nervous system. May cause headache, drowsiness, excitement, dizziness, euphoria, ataxia, convulsions, anesthetic effects, slowed reaction time, slurred speech, respiratory arrest, convulsions, unconsciousness and coma. Serious poisonings may result in respiratory depression and may be fatal.

Chronic: Persons with preexisting skin disorders and respiratory impairment may be more susceptible to the effects of this substance. Prolonged or repeated exposure to benzyl alcohol may cause allergic contact dermatitis. Prolonged or repeated ingestion may affect the central nervous system with symptoms similar to acute ingestion. It may also affect the liver, kidneys, cardiovascular system and metabolism (weight loss).

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Advice to doctor and hospital personnel

Treat symptomatically and supportively. Administer laxative: Sodium sulfate (1 tablespoon/1/4 l water).

SECTION 5 – FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable methods of extinction: Use extinguishing media such as dry chemical, carbon dioxide, alcohol-resistant foam, water spray or water fog.

Unsuitable methods of extinction: Water jets or streams may spread the fire.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Combustible liquid at high temperatures. Closed containers may rupture due to the buildup of pressure when exposed to extreme heat. During emergency conditions overexposure to decomposition products may cause a health hazard. Symptoms may not be immediately apparent or may be delayed. Obtain medical attention.

Explosion hazards: This product is not considered to be an explosion hazard.

5.3 Advice to firefighters

Full protective equipment including self-contained breathing apparatus should be used. Water may be used to cool closed containers to prevent pressure buildup and possible autoignition or explosion when exposed to extreme heat. Water contaminated by this material must be contained from being discharged to any waterway, sewer or drain to prevent environmental contamination.

SECTION 6 – ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Evacuate non-essential personnel. Wear appropriate protective clothing and equipment designated in Section 8.2. Ventilate the area. Remove all sources of ignition. No smoking. Clean up spills immediately. Spill creates a slip hazard.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Avoid dispersal of spilled material or runoff and prevent contact with soil and entry into drains, sewers or waterways.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Cover drains and contain spill. Do not flush large spills down the drain. Cover spill with a large quantity of inert absorbent. Do use combustible material such as sawdust. Collect material and place it in an approved container for proper disposal. Observe possible material restrictions (Sections 7.2 and 10.5). Clean contaminated area with soap and water. Do not allow material or runoff from rinsing contaminated areas to enter floor drains or storm drains and ditches that lead to waterways. Dispose of material via a licensed waste disposal contractor.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For indications about waste treatment, see Section 13.

SECTION 7 – STORAGE AND HANDLING

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Wear all appropriate personal protective equipment specified in Section 8.2. Do not get in eyes or on skin or clothing. No smoking. Do not breathe vapor or mist. If normal use of material presents a respiratory hazard, use only adequate ventilation or wear an appropriate respirator. Wash contaminated clothing and shoes thoroughly after use.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion

Product does not present a fire or explosion hazard.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible materials (see Section 10.5), food and drink. Transfer only to approved containers having correct labeling. Keep container tightly closed when not in use. Protect containers from physical damage. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Containers of this material are hazardous when empty as they contain product residues. Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination. Ventilate closed areas. Keep out of reach of children.

7.3 Specific end uses

Apart from the uses mentioned in Section 1.2, no other specific uses are stipulated.

SECTION 8 – EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

8.2 Exposure controls

Engineering measures: Technical measures and appropriate working operations should be given priority over the use of personal protective equipment. Use adequate ventilation. Local exhaust is preferable. Refer to Section 7.1.

Individual protection measures: Wear protective clothing to prevent repeated or prolonged contact with product. Protective clothing needs to be selected specifically for the workplace, depending on concentrations and quantities of hazardous substances handled. The chemical resistance of the protective equipment should be enquired at the representative supplier.

Hygiene measures: Facilities storing or using this material should be equipped with an eyewash station and safety shower. Change contaminated clothing. Preventive skin protection is recommended. Wash hands thoroughly after use, before eating, drinking, smoking or using the lavatory.

Eyeface protection: Wear protective splash goggles or safety glasses with unperforated side shields during use. A face shield is recommended if splashing is anticipated during use.

Hand protection: Wear gloves made of butyl rubber or those recommended by glove supplier for protection against materials in Section 3. Gloves should be impermeable to chemicals and oil. Breakthrough time of selected gloves must be greater than the intended use period.

Skin protection: Wear protective clothing. Wear protective boots if the situation requires.

Respiratory protection: Always use an approved respirator when vapor/aerosols exceed permissible exposure limits. Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a half-mask 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). Follow OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149.

Environmental exposure controls: Do not empty into drains.

PPE must not be considered a long-term solution to exposure control. PPE usage must be accompanied by employer programs to properly select, maintain, clean fit and use. Consult a competent industrial hygiene resource to determine hazard potential and/or the PPE manufacturers to ensure adequate protection



SECTION 9 – PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Clear, colorless liquid
Odor	Characteristic
Odor Threshold	No data available
Molecular Weight	108.14 g/mol
Chemical Formula	C ₇ H ₈ O
pH	3.5
Freezing/Melting Point	- 15.4 °C (- 4 °F)
Boiling Point Range	205 °C (401.5 °F)
Evaporation Rate	< 0.01 [n-BuOAc = 1]
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not applicable
Flash Point	100.4 °C (212.7 °F)
Autoignition Temperature	436 °C (816.8 °F)
Decomposition Temperature	No data available
Lower Explosive Limit (LEL)	1.3% (v)
Upper Explosive Limit (UEL)	13% (v)
Vapor Pressure	0.07 hPa @ 20 °C
Vapor Density	3.72 [Air = 1]
Specific Gravity	1.045 @ 25 °C
Viscosity	5.84 mPa·s @20 °C
Solubility in Water	40 g/l
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)	log P _{ow} = 1.05 @ 20 °C
Oxidizing Properties	Not applicable
Explosive Properties	Not applicable
Volatiles by Weight @ 21 °C	100%

9.2 Other Data

None known

SECTION 10 – STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

This material is stable under normal handling conditions and use.

10.2 Chemical Stability

This material is stable under recommended storage conditions. Hygroscopic liquid - absorbs moisture from the air. Light sensitive.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

A mixture of benzyl alcohol and 58% sulfuric acid decomposed violently when heated to 180 °C. Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Temperature extremes, contact with incompatible materials, moisture, exposure to light

10.5 Incompatible materials

Moisture, strong oxidizing agents, sulfuric acid, acids, plastics, moist environments and air, exposure to light

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Thermal decomposition products may include oxides of carbon.

SECTION 11 – TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute oral toxicity

LD₅₀, rat: 1,620 mg/kg

Acute inhalation toxicity

LC₅₀, rat: > 5,000 mg/l, 4 h

Acute dermal toxicity

LD₅₀, rat: > 2,000 mg/kg

Skin irritation

May cause skin irritation.

Eye irritation

Causes serious eye irritation.

Sensitization

No data available

Genotoxicity in vitro

No data available

Mutagenicity

No data available

Specific organ toxicity - single exposure

May respiratory irritation, drowsiness or dizziness.

Specific organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

11.2 Further information

This product contains no substances present at levels greater than or equal to the 0.1% threshold (de minimis) that are identified as probable, possible, potential or confirmed carcinogens by ACGIH, IARC, NTP or OSHA. No data is available regarding the mutagenicity or teratogenicity of this product, nor is there any available data that indicates it causes adverse developmental or fertility effects.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity

Large discharges or spills of this material may be harmful to aquatic life and soil micro-organisms.

Toxicity to fish: LC₅₀ - Pimephales promelas (Fathead minnow) 96 h: 460 mg/l

Toxicity to aquatic invertebrates: LC₅₀ - Daphnia magna (Water flea), 48 h: 230 mg/l

Toxicity to aquatic plants: ErC₅₀ - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green algae), 72 h: 700 mg/l

12.2 Persistence and degradability

This product is readily biodegradable.

12.3 Bioaccumulation potential

This material will not bioaccumulate.

12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

No data available

12.6 Other effects**Additional ecological information**

Do not allow material to run into surface waters, wastewater or soil.

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

SECTION 13 – DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Methods of disposal: The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized whenever possible. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. Avoid dispersal of spilt material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

RCRA F-Series: No listings above the reportable threshold (de minimis)

RCRA U-Series: No listings above the reportable threshold (de minimis)

SECTION 14 – TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Note: Transportation information provided is for reference only. Customer is urged to consult 49 CFR 100 - 177, IMDG, IATA, EC, United Nations TDG and WHMIS (Canada) TDG information manuals for detailed regulations and exceptions covering specific container sizes, packaging materials and methods of shipping.

USA DOT (Ground Transportation)	NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT
IMO/IMDG (Water Transportation)	NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT
ICAO/IATA (Air Transportation)	
Proper Shipping Name	Aviation regulated liquid, n.o.s. (Benzyl Alcohol)
Hazard Class	9
UN/NA	UN3334
Packing Group	III

SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for substance or mixture****U. S. Federal Regulations**

OSHA Hazard Communication Standard: This material is classified as hazardous in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910-1200.

Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA) Inventory: All substances in this product are listed on the TSCA Inventory. This product is not subject to TSCA 12(b) Export Notification.

Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) List 2, Essential Chemicals (21 CFR 1310.02(b)) and 1310.4(f)(2)) and Chemical Code Number
No listing

Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Lists 1 & 2, Exempt Chemical Mixtures (21 CFR 1310.12(c)) and Code Number: No listing

Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) Chemicals: No listing

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA)

SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Categories: Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled Causes serious eye irritation

SARA 313 Information: None of the chemicals in this product exceed the threshold (de minimis) reporting levels established by Section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to Know Act of 1986.

SARA 302/304 Extremely Hazardous Substance: None of the components of this product exceed the threshold (de minimis) reporting levels established by these sections of Title III of SARA.

SARA 302/304 Emergency Planning & Notification: None of the components of this product exceed the threshold (de minimis) reporting levels established by these sections of Title III of SARA.

Comprehensive Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA): No components of the product exceed the threshold (de minimis) reporting levels for hazardous wastes established by CERCLA.

Clean Air Act (CAA)

This product does not contain any Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) designated in CAA Section 112 (b).

This product does not contain Class 1 ozone depleters.

This product does not contain Class 2 ozone depleters.

Clean Water Act (CWA)

This product does not contain any Hazardous Substances listed under the CWA.

This product does not contain any Priority Pollutants.

This product does not contain any Toxic pollutants.

U.S. State Regulations**California Prop 65, Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986**

This product contains no chemical(s) known to the state of California to cause cancer birth defects or reproductive harm in concentrations that exceed the threshold (de minimis) reporting levels established under Proposition 65.

Other U.S. State Inventories

Benzyl Alcohol (CAS #100-51-6) is listed on the following State Hazardous Substance Inventories, Right-to-Know lists and/or Air Quality/Air Pollutants lists: PA.

Canada**WHMIS Hazard Classification**

Combustible liquid

Harmful if swallowed

Causes serious eye irritation

Canadian National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI): None of the chemicals in this product are listed on the NPRI.

European Economic Community

WGK, Germany (Water danger/protection): 1 (low hazard to waters)

Global Chemical Inventory Lists

Country	Inventory Name	Listed
Canada	Domestic Substance List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substance List (NDSL)	No
Europe	Inventory of New and Existing Chemicals (EINECS)	Yes
United States	Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA)	Yes
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)	Yes
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (KECL)	Yes
Philippines	Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes

*Yes - All components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country.

No - One or more components of this product are not on the inventory or are exempt from listing.

15.2 Chemical safety assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out.

SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

Hazardous Material Information System (HMIS)

HEALTH	2
FLAMMABILITY	1
PHYSICAL HAZARD	0
PERSONAL PROTECTION	C

C = safety glasses, gloves and an apron

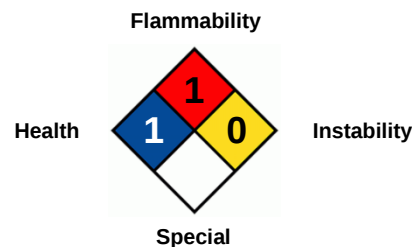
HMIS Hazard Rating Legend

0 = Minimal 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate
3 = Serious 4 = Severe
* = Chronic Health Hazard

NFPA Hazard Rating Legend

0 = Insignificant 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate
3 = High 4 = Extreme

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)



Abbreviation Key

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	LD₅₀	Lowest Lethal Dose
ADR	Accord Dangereux Routier (European regulations concerning the international transport of dangerous goods by road)	mppcf	Millions of Particles Per Cubic Foot
CAS	Chemical Abstract Services	NA	North America
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	NAERG	North American Emergency Response Guide Book
COC	Cleveland Open Cup	NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health
DOT	Department of Transportation	NTP	National Toxicology Program
EC₅₀	Half maximal effective concentration	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
EMS	Emergency Response Procedures for Ships Carrying	PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulating and Toxic
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	PEL	Permissible exposure limit
ErC₅₀	Reduction of Growth Rate	PMCC	Pensky-Martens Closed Cup
ERG	Emergency Response Guide Book	ppm	Parts Per Million
FDA	Food and Drug Administration	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
GHS	Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)	RID	Dangerous Goods by Rail
HCS	Hazard Communication Standard	RQ	Reportable Quantity
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	TCC/Tag	Tagliabue Closed Cup
IATA	International Air Transport Association	TLV	Threshold Limit Value
IC₅₀	Half Maximal Inhibitory Concentration	TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization	TWA	Time-weighted Average
IDLH	Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health	UN	United Nations
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods	VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
IMO	International Maritime Organization	vPvB	Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulating
LC₅₀	50% Lethal Concentration	WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System
LD₅₀	50% Lethal Dose		

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