



Safety Data Sheet

Section 1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

Product identifier:

Product name: Methyl formate

SDS No. : 4957E-3

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

Research and Development

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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Section 2. Hazards identification

GHS classification and label elements of the product

Classification of the substance or mixture

PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL HAZARDS

Flammable liquids: Category 1

HEALTH HAZARDS

Acute toxicity (Oral): Category 4

Skin corrosion/irritation: Category 2

Serious eye damage/eye irritation: Category 2

Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure: Category 1 (central nervous system, respiratory system)

Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure: Category 3 (Narcotic effects)

Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure: Category 2 (respiratory system)

(Note) GHS classification without description: Not classified/Classification not possible

Label elements



Signal word: Danger

HAZARD STATEMENT

H224 Extremely flammable liquid and vapor

H302 Harmful if swallowed

H315 Causes skin irritation

H319 Causes serious eye irritation

H370 Causes damage to organs (central nervous system, respiratory system)

H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness

H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure (respiratory system)

PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENT

Prevention

P210 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.



- P233 Keep container tightly closed.
P240 Ground and bond container and receiving equipment.
P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment.
P242 Use non-sparking tools.
P243 Take action to prevent static discharges.
P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P264 Wash contaminated parts thoroughly after handling.
P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

Response

- P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use appropriate media to extinguish.
P314 Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.
P312 Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
P308 + P311 IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician.
P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower.
P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P362 + P364 Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
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 advice/attention.
P330 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth.
P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Storage

- P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P403 + P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405 Store locked up.

Disposal

- P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/national regulation.

Specific adverse human health effects

See "11. Toxicological Information".

Section 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Mixture/Substance selection:

Substance

Ingredient name	Content (%)	CAS No.	ENCS	Chemical formula
Methyl formate	≥95	107-31-3	2-677	HCOOCH ₃

Note : The figures shown above are not the specifications of the product.

Section 4. First-aid measures

Descriptions of first-aid measures

General measures

Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

**IF INHALED**

Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

IF INHALED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

IF ON SKIN

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower.

Wash with plenty of soap and water.

If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

IF IN EYES

Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

IF SWALLOWED

Rinse mouth.

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Section 5. Fire-fighting measures**Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Use appropriate extinguishing media suitable for surrounding facilities.

In case of fire, use spraying loaded liquid, foam (water-soluble liquid: alcohol-resistant foam), inactive gases, dry powder, dry sand to extinguish.

*Fire Service Act Group 4 Hazardous Materials

Unsuitable extinguishing media

Indoor Fire Plug System or Outdoor Fire Plug System

Sprinkler System

Dry Chemical Extinguishing System—Others (except for phosphates etc., Hydrogen Carbonates etc.)

Fire Extinguisher Discharging Jet Water/Spraying Water

Fire Extinguisher Discharging Jet Loaded Liquid

Fire Extinguisher Discharging Dry Extinguishing agents—Others (except for phosphates etc., Hydrogen Carbonates etc.)

Water Bucket or Water Tank

*Cabinet Order Concerning the Control of Hazardous Materials (Attached Table 5) Group 4 Hazardous Materials

Specific hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases.

Runoff from fire control or dilution water may cause pollution.

See "10.Stability and Reactivity".

Advice for firefighters**Specific fire-fighting measures**

Evacuate non-essential personnel to safe area.

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Wear fire resistant or flame retardant clothing.

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece operated in the positive pressure mode.



Section 6. Accidental release measures

Personnel precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- Keep unauthorized personnel away.
- Ventilate area until material pick up is complete.
- Wear proper protective equipment.

Environmental precautions

- Prevent spills from entering sewers, watercourses, low areas or rivers. To be careful not discharged to the environment without being properly handled waste water contaminated.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

- Absorb spill with inert material (dry sand, earth, et al), then place in a chemical waste container.

Preventive measures for secondary accident

- Collect spillage.

Section 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Preventive measures

(Exposure Control for handling personnel)

- Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

(Protective measures against fire and explosion)

- Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.

Ground and bond container and receiving equipment.

Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment.

Use non-sparking tools.

Take action to prevent static discharges.

(Exhaust/ventilator)

Exhaust/ventilator should be available.

(Safety treatments)

Avoid contact with skin.

Avoid contact with eyes.

Safety Measures

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Wash hands et al thoroughly after handling.

When using do not eat, drink or smoke.

Any incompatibilities

See "10.Stability and Reactivity".

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash contaminated parts thoroughly after handling.

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

Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

Storage

Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed.

Store locked up. (P405)

Chilled storage.

Storage in accordance with local/national regulation.



Container and packaging materials for safe handling
Use closed unbreakable containers.

Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Control parameters

Control value and Concentration standard value

Not established

Adopted value

ACGIH

ACGIH(2015) TWA: 50ppm;

STEL: 100ppm (CNS impair; URT irr; eye dam)

Notation

Skin

Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Do not use in areas without adequate ventilation.

Eye wash station should be available.

Washing facilities should be available.

Individual protection measures

Recommend to use protective equipment in conformity with the standards.

Use appropriate protective equipment in accordance with local/national regulation.

Respiratory protection

Wear respiratory protection (dust-proof mask/gas mask). Select chemical cartridge corresponding to type of gases when using a gas mask.

Hand protection

Wear impervious protective glove.

Eye protection

Wear eye/face protection. Wear safety goggles in cases gas is generated.

Skin and body protection

Wear protective clothing.

Section 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state: Liquid

Color: Colorless

Odor: Characteristic odor

Melting point/Freezing point: -100°C

Boiling point or initial boiling point: (Methyl formate)32°C

Boiling range data is not available.

Flammability (gases, liquids and solids) data is not available.

Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit:

Lower explosion limit: 5 vol %

Upper explosion limit: 23 vol %

Flash point: (Methyl formate)-28°C

Auto-ignition temperature: (Methyl formate)449°C

Decomposition temperature data is not available.

pH data is not available.

Kinematic viscosity data is not available.

**Solubility:**

Solubility in water: 30g/100ml (20°C)

Solubility in solvent data is not available.

n-Octanol/water partition coefficient: log Pow=0.21

Vapor pressure: 64 kPa (20°C)

Density and/or relative density: 0.97

Relative vapor density (Air=1): 2.1

Particle characteristics data is not available.

Other information

Other information is not available.

Section 10. Stability and Reactivity**Reactivity**

Not available.

Chemical stability

Stable under normal storage/handling conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

The vapour is heavier than air and may travel along the ground; distant ignition possible.

Reacts violently with strong oxidants. This generates fire and explosion hazard. (ICSC 0664)

Conditions to avoid

Contact with incompatible materials.

Contact with fire source.

Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products

Carbon oxides

Section 11. Toxicological Information**Information on toxicological effects****Acute toxicity****Acute toxicity (Oral)**

[Product]

Category 4, Harmful if swallowed

[Data for components of the product]

[NITE-CHRIIP]

rat LD50: 1500 mg/kg (source: NITE)

Acute toxicity (Dermal)

[Data for components of the product]

[NITE-CHRIIP]

rat LD50: > 4000 mg/kg (source: NITE)

Irritant properties**Skin corrosion/irritation**

[Product]

Category 2, Causes skin irritation

[Data for components of the product]

[NITE-CHRIIP]

Category 2 (source: NITE)

Serious eye damage/irritation



[Product]

Category 2, Causes serious eye irritation

[Data for components of the product]

[NITE-CHIRP]

Category 2 (source: NITE)

Allergenic and sensitizing effects data is not available.

Mutagenic effects data is not available.

Carcinogenic effects data is not available.

Reproductive toxicity data is not available.

Specific target organ toxicity (STOT)

STOT-single exposure

[Product]

Category 1, Causes damage to organs

Category 3, May cause drowsiness or dizziness

[Data for components of the product]

[NITE-CHIRP]

Category 1 (central nervous system, respiratory system), Category 3 (Narcotic effects)

(source: NITE)

STOT-repeated exposure

[Product]

Category 2, May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

[Data for components of the product]

[NITE-CHIRP]

Category 2 (respiratory system) (source: NITE)

Aspiration hazard data is not available.

Section 12. Ecological Information

Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity

[Data for components of the product]

Hazardous to the aquatic environment, short-term (acute)

[NITE-CHIRP]

Algae (*Desmodesmus subspicatus*) 72-hour ErC50: 1063 mg/L (source: NITE)Crustacea (*Daphnia magna*) 48-hour EC50: > 500 mg/L (source: NITE)Fish (*Leuciscus idus*) 96-hour LC50: 115 mg/L (source: NITE)

Water solubility

30 g/100 mL (20°C) (source: ICSC, 2010)

Persistence and degradability

Persistence and degradability data is not available.

Bioaccumulative potential

[Data for components of the product]

log Pow: -0.21 (source: ICSC, 2010)

Mobility in soil

Mobility in soil data is not available.

Other adverse effects

Ozone depleting chemical data is not available.



Section 13. Disposal considerations

Description of waste residues and information on their safe handling and methods of disposal, including the disposal of any contaminated packaging

Waste treatment methods

Dispose of contents/container as industrial waste. Accordance with local/national regulation.

Section 14. Transport Information

UN Number or ID Number : 1243

UN Proper Shipping Name :

METHYL FORMATE

Class or division (Transport hazard class) : 3

Packing group : I

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IMDG Code (International Maritime Dangerous Goods Regulations)

UN Number or ID Number : 1243

UN Proper Shipping Name :

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Packing group : I

IATA (Dangerous Goods Regulations)

UN Number or ID Number : 1243

UN Proper Shipping Name :

METHYL FORMATE

Class or division (Transport hazard class) : 3

Hazard labels : Flamm.liquid

Packing group : I

Environmental hazards

Marine pollutants (yes/no) : no

Section 15. Regulatory Information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

U.S. Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory

Chemicals listed in TSCA Inventory

Applicable

Other regulatory information

Ensure this material in compliance with federal requirements and ensure conformity to local regulations.

Section 16. Other information

References and sources for data

Globally Harmonized System of classification and labelling of chemicals, UN

Recommendations on the TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS 23rd edit., 2023 UN

IMDG Code, 2024 Edition (Incorporating Amendment 42-24)

IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations (66th Edition) 2025

2020 EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDEBOOK (US DOT)



2025 TLVs and BEIs. (ACGIH)

JIS Z 7252 : 2019

JIS Z 7253 : 2019

2024 Recommendation on TLVs (JSOH)

Supplier's data/information

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Please provide SDS to customers for selling or transferring.

All chemicals have unknown hazard. Handle the product with care.

This data sheet was created based on the information we currently have and may be revised according to new information. In addition, the precautions apply only to normal handling, and in the case of special handling, please make adequate countermeasure to maintain your safety.

The data given here is based on current knowledge and experience. The purpose of this Safety Data Sheet is to describe the products in terms of their safety requirements. The data does not signify any warranty with regard to the products' properties.

The GHS classification data given here is based on current Data published in Japan (National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE) Chemical Risk Information Platform (NITE-CHRIP), up to FY2023).