

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET



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## METHANOL

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**PRODUCT NAME:** METHANOL

**PRODUCT CODE:** ME

**ALTERNATE TRADE NAME(S):** Methyl alcohol, Wood alcohol

#### MANUFACTURER

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**Transportation:** 503-288-5294

**Service Number:** 503-288-5294

#### 24 HR. EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

**CHEMTREC (US Transportation) :**(800) 424 - 9300

**CANUTEC (Canadian Transportation) :**(613) 996 - 6666

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

**IMMEDIATE CONCERNS:** DANGER! Poison. Flammable. Contains methanol. Cannot be made non-poisonous. Liquid and vapor harmful. May be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed. Avoid prolonged breathing of vapors. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Use only in well ventilated areas.

#### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

**EYES:** Moderately irritating to the eyes.

**SKIN:** Prolonged or repeated contact can result in defatting and drying of the skin which may result in skin irritation and dermatitis (rash).

**INGESTION:** POISONOUS. May be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed. Ingestion may have a narcotic effect including signs of CNS depression such as dizziness, headache, drowsiness, loss of coordination, and fatigue.

**INHALATION:** Excessive exposure to this product may cause headache, CNS depression, drowsiness, dizziness, loss of appetite, irritation of the respiratory tract, drunkenness, unconsciousness, or death.

#### SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF OVEREXPOSURE

**ACUTE TOXICITY:** Shortness of breathing, confused behavior, redness of skin, swelling of tissues, watery eyes, and nausea.

**MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED:** Preexisting eye, skin and respiratory disorders may be aggravated by exposure to this product. Impaired function from preexisting disorders may be aggravated by exposure to this product.

**COMMENTS HEALTH:** Can cause optic nerve damage (blindness).

**3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Chemical Name	Wt. %	CAS
Methanol	99 - 100	000067-56-1

**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

**EYES:** Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while holding eyelids open. Get medical attention.

**SKIN:** Remove contaminated clothing/shoes. Flush skin with water. Follow by washing with soap and water. If irritation occurs, get medical attention. Do not reuse clothing until cleaned.

**INGESTION:** Call poison control center or get medical help immediately. If patient is conscious and alert, give 8 ounces of water or juice and induce vomiting, keeping patient's head below hips to prevent aspiration of liquid into lungs.

**INHALATION:** Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Seek immediate medical attention.

**5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**FLASHPOINT AND METHOD:** (52°F)

**FLAMMABLE LIMITS:** 0.06 to 0.36

**AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE:** (867°F)

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Use water fog, "alcohol" foam, dry chemical, or CO<sub>2</sub>.

**HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:** Carbon monoxide and unidentified organic compounds may be formed during combustion.

**EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** When heated above the flash point, this material emits flammable vapors which, when mixed with air, can burn or be explosive. Fine mists or sprays may be flammable at temperatures below the flash point.

**FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** WARNING! Flammable Liquid. Clear fire area of unprotected personnel. Do not enter confined fire space without full bunker gear, including a positive pressure NIOSH approved SCBA. Cool fire exposed containers with water.

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**GENERAL PROCEDURES:** WARNING. Flammable. Ventilate area of leak or spill. Remove all sources of ignition. Clean-up personnel require protective clothing and respiratory protection from vapors. Only specially trained or qualified personnel should handle the emergency.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**GENERAL PROCEDURES:** Keep away from heat, sparks, and flame. Surfaces that are hot may ignite even liquid product in the absence of sparks or flame. Extinguish pilot lights, cigarettes and turn off other sources of ignition prior to use and until all vapors are gone.

**STORAGE:** Store away from heat, sparks, and open flame. Keep containers tightly closed when not in use. Do not weld, cut, grind, solder, or drill on or near empty containers. Empty containers may contain explosive concentrations of product vapors.

**COMMENTS:** KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN! Empty containers retain product residue (liquid and/or vapor) and can be dangerous. Do not pressurize, cut weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose such containers to heat, flame, sparks static electricity, or other sources of ignition; they may explode and cause injury or death.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### EXPOSURE GUIDELINES

OSHA HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS (29 CFR1910.1200)					
		EXPOSURE LIMITS			
		OSHA PEL		ACGIH TLV	
Chemical Name		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Methanol	TWA	200	260	200	262
	STEL			250	328

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS:** Provide exhaust ventilation sufficient to keep the airborne concentration of this product below its exposure limits. Exhaust air may need to be cleaned by scrubbers or filters to reduce environmental contamination.

### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

**EYES AND FACE:** Use chemical safety goggles and/or full face shield where splashing is possible. Contact lenses should not be worn when working with this material. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work areas.

**SKIN:** Wear resistant gloves (consult your safety equipment supplier). To prevent repeated or prolonged skin contact, wear impervious clothing and boots.

**RESPIRATORY:** If exposure may or does exceed occupational exposure limits (Sec. 8) use a NIOSH approved respirator to prevent overexposure. In accord with 29 CFR 1910.134 use either an atmosphere-supplying respirator or an air-purifying respirator for organic vapors.

**WORK HYGIENIC PRACTICES:** Use good personal hygiene when handling this product. Wash hands after use, before eating, drinking, smoking, or using the toilet.

**OTHER USE PRECAUTIONS:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**PHYSICAL STATE:** Liquid

**ODOR:** Pungent odor.

**COLOR:** Clear, colorless liquid.

**pH:** NA = Not Applicable

**PERCENT VOLATILE:** 100

**VAPOR PRESSURE:** 96 mmHg

**VAPOR DENSITY:** Heavier than air.

**BOILING POINT:** (147°F) to (147°F)

**FREEZING POINT:** (-144°F)

**SOLUBILITY IN WATER:** Soluble

**EVAPORATION RATE:** Slower than ether.

**DENSITY:** 6.60

**SPECIFIC GRAVITY:** 0.790 to 0.80

**MOLECULAR WEIGHT:** 32.1

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**STABLE:** Yes

**POLYMERIZATION:** Avoid heat, flame, and other sources of ignition.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** Avoid strong alkalis and oxidizing agents.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** May form carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, various hydrocarbons.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**COMMENTS:** Poison. May be fatal or cause blindness, if swallowed. Cannot be made nonpoisonous.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION:** Avoid uncontrolled releases of this material. Where spills are possible, a comprehensive spill response plan should be developed and implemented.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**DISPOSAL METHOD:** The preferred options for disposal are to send to licensed reclaimers, or to permitted incinerators. Any disposal practice must be in compliance with federal, state, and local regulations. Do not dump into sewers, ground, or any body of water.

**EMPTY CONTAINER:** KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN! Empty containers retain product residue and can be dangerous. Do not pressurize, cut weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose such containers to heat, flame, sparks static electricity, or other sources of ignition.

**RCRA/EPA WASTE INFORMATION:** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations

to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION)

**PROPER SHIPPING NAME:** Methyl alcohol

**PRIMARY HAZARD CLASS/DIVISION:** 3

**UN/NA NUMBER:** UN 1230

**PACKING GROUP:** II

**NAERG:** 131

**REPORTABLE QUANTITY (RQ) UNDER CERCLA:** 5,000

**LABEL:** Flammable liquid

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### UNITED STATES

#### SARA TITLE III (SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT)

**311/312 HAZARD CATEGORIES:** This product should be reported as an immediate (acute) health hazard, delayed (chronic) health hazard, and a fire hazard.

**FIRE:** Yes **PRESSURE GENERATING:** No **REACTIVITY:** No **ACUTE:** Yes  
**CHRONIC:** Yes

**313 REPORTABLE INGREDIENTS:** Methyl alcohol (CAS 67-56-1)

#### CERCLA (COMPREHENSIVE RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT)

**CERCLA RQ:** 5,000 lbs.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**REASON FOR ISSUE:** Updated to new MSDS format.

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**REVISION SUMMARY:** Revision #: 1 This MSDS replaces the July 27, 2005 MSDS. Any changes in information are as follows:

### HMIS RATING

<b>HEALTH:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>3</b>
<b>FLAMMABILITY:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>3</b>
<b>PHYSICAL HAZARD:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>0</b>
<b>PERSONAL PROTECTION: H</b>		

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