

Safety data sheet

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Product: **3-METHYLBUTANOL-1**

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1. Substance/preparation and manufacturer/supplier identification

Product name:
3-METHYLBUTANOL-1

Use: process chemical, solvent(s)

Manufacturer/supplier:
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2. Hazard identification

Classification of the substance and mixture:
Flammable liquids: Cat.3
Acute toxicity: Cat.5 (dermal)
Skin irritation: Cat.2
Serious eye damage: Cat.1
Specific target organ toxicity — single exposure: Cat.3 (irritating to respiratory system)
Hazardous to the aquatic environment - chronic: Cat.2

Label elements and precautionary statement:

Pictogram:

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Signal Word:
 Danger

Hazard Statement:

H226	Flammable liquid and vapour.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H313	May be harmful in contact with skin.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H411	Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary Statements (Prevention):

P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection or face protection.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
P261	Avoid breathing mist or vapour or spray.
P243	Take action to prevent static discharges.
P241	Use explosion-proof electrical, ventilating and lighting equipment.
P264	Wash contaminated body parts thoroughly after handling.
P240	Ground and bond container and receiving equipment.
P242	Use non-sparking tools.

Precautionary Statements (Response):

P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower.
P391	Collect spillage.
P362 + P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, dry powder or water spray for extinction.

Precautionary Statements (Storage):

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

Precautionary Statements (Disposal):

P501	Dispose of contents and container to hazardous or special waste collection point.
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Other hazards which do not result in classification:

If applicable information is provided in this section on other hazards which do not result in classification but which may contribute to the overall hazards of the substance or mixture. See section 12 - Results of PBT and vPvB assessment.

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Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical nature

Substance nature: Substance

3-methylbutan-1-ol (Content (W/W): ≥ 98.5 %)
CAS Number: 123-51-3

Hazardous ingredients

3-methylbutan-1-ol	
Content (W/W): > 98.5 % - < 99.9 %	Flam. Liq.: Cat. 3
CAS Number: 123-51-3	Acute Tox.: Cat. 5 (dermal)
	Skin Irrit.: Cat. 2
	Eye Dam.: Cat. 1
	STOT SE: Cat. 3 (irr. to respiratory syst.)
	Aquatic Chronic: Cat. 2

pentan-1-ol	
Content (W/W): ≥ 0 % - ≤ 1 %	Flam. Liq.: Cat. 3
CAS Number: 71-41-0	Acute Tox.: Cat. 5 (oral)
	Acute Tox.: Cat. 5 (dermal)
	Skin Irrit.: Cat. 2
	Eye Dam.: Cat. 1
	STOT SE: Cat. 3 (irr. to respiratory syst.)
	Aquatic Chronic: Cat. 2

4. First-Aid Measures

General advice:

First aid personnel should pay attention to their own safety. If the patient is likely to become unconscious, place and transport in stable sideways position (recovery position). Immediately remove contaminated clothing.

If inhaled:

Keep patient calm, remove to fresh air, seek medical attention. Immediately administer a corticosteroid from a controlled/metered dose inhaler.

On skin contact:

Immediately wash thoroughly with plenty of water, apply sterile dressings, consult a skin specialist.

On contact with eyes:

Immediately wash affected eyes for at least 15 minutes under running water with eyelids held open, consult an eye specialist.

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On ingestion:

Immediately rinse mouth and then drink 200-300 ml of water, seek medical attention.

Note to physician:

Symptoms: Information, i.e. additional information on symptoms and effects may be included in the GHS labeling phrases available in Section 2 and in the Toxicological assessments available in Section 11., (Further) symptoms and / or effects are not known so far

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Treatment: Treat according to symptoms (decontamination, vital functions), no known specific antidote.

5. Fire-Fighting Measures

Suitable extinguishing media:

dry powder, water spray, carbon dioxide, alcohol-resistant foam

Unsuitable extinguishing media for safety reasons:

water jet

Additional information:

Use extinguishing measures to suit surroundings.

Specific hazards:

Flammable liquid Cool endangered containers with water-spray. See SDS section 7 - Handling and storage.

Special protective equipment:

Wear a self-contained breathing apparatus. Special protective equipment for firefighters

Further information:

Evacuate area of all unnecessary personnel. Fight fire from maximum distance.

Further information:

Extend fire extinguishing measures to the surroundings. Dispose of fire debris and contaminated extinguishing water in accordance with official regulations.

6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal precautions:

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Avoid all sources of ignition: heat, sparks, open flame. Use antistatic tools.

Environmental precautions:

Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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Methods for cleaning up or taking up:

Pick up with suitable appliance and dispose of. Spills should be contained, solidified, and placed in suitable containers for disposal. Dispose of absorbed material in accordance with regulations.

Additional information: High risk of slipping due to leakage/spillage of product.

Release of substance/product can cause fire or explosion. Shut off or stop source of leak. Shut off or stop released substance/product under safe conditions.

Pack in tightly closed containers for disposal.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Protection against fire and explosion:

Avoid all sources of ignition: heat, sparks, open flame. Ground all transfer equipment properly to prevent electrostatic discharge.

Storage

Further information on storage conditions: Containers should be stored tightly sealed in a dry place.

8. Exposure controls and personal protection

Components with occupational exposure limits

3-methylbutan-1-ol, 123-51-3;

STEL value 125 ppm (ACGIHTLV)

TWA value 100 ppm (ACGIHTLV)

TWA value 361 mg/m³ ; 100 ppm (OEL (SG))

STEL value 452 mg/m³ ; 125 ppm (OEL (SG))

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection:

Wear respiratory protection if ventilation is inadequate. Gas filter for gases/vapours of organic compounds (boiling point >65 °C, e. g. EN 14387 Type A)

Hand protection:

Chemical resistant protective gloves (EN ISO 374-1)

Suitable materials also with prolonged, direct contact (Recommended: Protective index 6, corresponding > 480 minutes of permeation time according to EN ISO 374-1):

nitrile rubber (NBR) - 0.4 mm coating thickness

Manufacturer's directions for use should be observed because of great diversity of types.

Supplementary note: The specifications are based on tests, literature data and information of glove manufacturers or are derived from similar substances by analogy. Due to many conditions (e.g. temperature) it must be considered, that the practical usage of a chemical-protective glove in practice may be much shorter than the permeation time determined through testing.

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Eye protection:

Tightly fitting safety goggles (splash goggles) (e.g. EN 166)

Body protection:

Body protection must be chosen depending on activity and possible exposure, e.g. apron, protecting boots, chemical-protection suit (according to EN 14605 in case of splashes or EN ISO 13982 in case of dust).

General safety and hygiene measures:

Avoid contact with the skin, eyes and clothing. Avoid inhalation of vapour. Wearing of closed work clothing is required additionally to the stated personal protection equipment.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Form:	liquid	
Colour:	colourless	
Odour:	sweetish	
Odour threshold:	not determined	
pH value:	6.5	(internal method)
glass transition temperature:	-147 °C	(measured)
Boiling point:	130.7 °C (1,013.25 hPa)	(measured)
Boiling range:	No data available.	
Flash point:	43.5 °C	(ISO 13736, closed cup)
Evaporation rate:	Value can be approximated from Henry's Law Constant or vapor pressure.	
Flammability (solid/gas):	Flammable.	(derived from flash point)
Lower explosion limit:	1.0 %(V) (37.4 °C)	(air)
Upper explosion limit:	For liquids not relevant for classification and labelling.	
Ignition temperature:	335 °C	(DIN 51794)
Thermal decomposition:	No decomposition if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.	
Self ignition:	Based on its structural properties the product is not classified as self-igniting.	Test type: Spontaneous self-ignition at room-temperature.
Self heating ability:	not applicable, the product is a liquid	
SADT:	No data available.	

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Explosion hazard:	Based on the chemical structure there is no indication of explosive properties.	
Fire promoting properties:	Based on its structural properties the product is not classified as oxidizing.	
Vapour pressure:	3 hPa (20 °C) dynamic	(measured)
Density:	0.8080 g/cm ³ (20 °C)	(DIN 53217-5)
Relative density:	0.8080 (20 °C)	
Relative vapour density (air):	3.03 (20 °C) Heavier than air.	(calculated)
Solubility in water:	Literature data. 26,400 mg/l (19.8 °C)	
Solubility (qualitative) solvent(s):	organic solvents soluble	
Partitioning coefficient n-octanol/water (log Pow):	1.35 (23 °C; pH value: approx. 6.5)	(measured)
Adsorption/water - soil:	KOC: 5.32; log KOC: 0.73	(calculated)
Surface tension:	Based on chemical structure, surface activity is not to be expected.	
Viscosity, dynamic:	4.3 mPa.s (20 °C)	
Viscosity, kinematic:	5.32 mm ² /s (20 °C)	(DIN 51562)
Molar mass:	88.15 g/mol	

Particle characteristics

Particle size distribution:	The substance / product is marketed or used in a non solid or granular form. -
Specific Surface Area:	No data available.
Particle Shape:	No data available.
Dustiness:	No data available.

10. Stability and Reactivity

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Conditions to avoid:

No special precautions other than good housekeeping of chemicals.

Thermal decomposition:

No decomposition if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Substances to avoid:

strong oxidizing agents

Corrosion to metals: No corrosive effect on metal.

Hazardous reactions:

No hazardous reactions if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Hazardous decomposition products:

No hazardous decomposition products if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Chemical stability:

The product is stable if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Reactivity:

When heated can give off ignitable vapours.

11. Toxicological Information

Routes of exposure

Acute oral toxicity

Experimental/calculated data:

LD50rat (oral): > 5,000 mg/kg (BASF-Test)

Acute inhalation toxicity

(by inhalation): No data available.

Acute dermal toxicity

LD50 rabbit (dermal): approx. 3,216 mg/kg (similar to OECD guideline 402)

Assessment of acute toxicity

Virtually nontoxic after a single ingestion. The inhalation of a highly enriched/saturated vapor-air-mixture represents an unlikely acute hazard. Of low toxicity after short-term skin contact. The European Union (EU) has classified this substance as 'harmful' after inhalation.

Symptoms

Information, i.e. additional information on symptoms and effects may be included in the GHS labeling phrases available in Section 2 and in the Toxicological assessments available in Section 11. (Further) symptoms and / or effects are not known so far

Irritation

Assessment of irritating effects:

Skin contact causes irritation. May cause severe damage to the eyes.

Experimental/calculated data:

Skin corrosion/irritation rabbit: Irritant. (Draize test)

Serious eye damage/irritation rabbit: irreversible damage (Draize test)

Respiratory/Skin sensitization

Assessment of sensitization:

There is no evidence of a skin-sensitizing potential. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Experimental/calculated data:

In vitro/in chemico test battery In vitro assay: Non-sensitizing. (In vitro skin sensitization test battery)

Germ cell mutagenicity

Assessment of mutagenicity:

The substance was not mutagenic in bacteria. The substance was not mutagenic in mammalian cell culture. The substance was not mutagenic in studies with mammals.

Carcinogenicity

Assessment of carcinogenicity:

A long-term carcinogenicity study which does not meet the current requirements did not show a carcinogenic effect. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Reproductive toxicity

Assessment of reproduction toxicity:

The results of animal studies gave no indication of a fertility impairing effect.

Developmental toxicity

Assessment of teratogenicity:

No indications of a developmental toxic / teratogenic effect were seen in animal studies. No adverse effects on embryonic or fetal development were observed.

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

Causes temporary irritation of the respiratory tract.

Repeated dose toxicity and Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)

Assessment of repeated dose toxicity:

No adverse effects were observed after repeated oral exposure in animal studies. No adverse effects were observed after repeated inhalative exposure in animal studies. The product has not been fully tested. The statements have been derived in parts from products of a similar structure or composition.

Aspiration hazard

not applicable

12. Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity

Assessment of aquatic toxicity:

There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic organisms. The inhibition of the degradation activity of activated sludge is not anticipated when introduced to biological treatment plants in appropriate low concentrations. Toxic to aquatic organisms based on long-term (chronic) toxicity study data.

Toxicity to fish:

LC50 (96 h) > 120 mg/l, *Salmo gairdneri*, syn. *O. mykiss* (OECD 203; ISO 7346; 84/449/EWG, C.1, static)

Nominal concentration.

Aquatic invertebrates:

EC50 (48 h) > 100 mg/l, *Daphnia magna* (DIN 38412 Part 11, static)

Nominal concentration.

Aquatic plants:

EC50 (72 h) > 100 mg/l (growth rate), *Scenedesmus subspicatus* (DIN 38412 Part 9, static)

Nominal concentration.

Microorganisms/Effect on activated sludge:

EC10 (3 h) 370 mg/l, activated sludge, domestic (OECD Guideline 209, aerobic)

Nominal concentration. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Chronic toxicity to fish:

No observed effect concentration (35 d) 10 mg/l, *Brachydanio rerio* (OECD Guideline 210, Flow through.)

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates:

EC10 (21 d), 0.059 mg/l, *Daphnia magna* (OECD Guideline 211, semistatic)

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Assessment of terrestrial toxicity:

Mobility

Assessment transport between environmental compartments:

The substance will slowly evaporate into the atmosphere from the water surface.

Adsorption to solid soil phase is not expected.

Persistence and degradability

Elimination information:

84 % BOD of COD (27 d) (OECD 301F; ISO 9408; 92/69/EWG, C.4-D) (aerobic, activated sludge, domestic)

Assessment of stability in water:
According to structural properties, hydrolysis is not expected/probable.

Bioaccumulation potential

Assessment bioaccumulation potential:
Because of the n-octanol/water distribution coefficient (log Pow) accumulation in organisms is not to be expected.

Bioaccumulation potential:
No data available.

Other adverse effects

Adsorbable organically-bound halogen (AOX):
This product contains no organically-bound halogen.

13. Disposal Considerations

Must be disposed of or incinerated in accordance with local regulations.

Contaminated packaging:
Contaminated packaging should be emptied as far as possible; then it can be passed on for recycling after being thoroughly cleaned.

14. Transport Information

Domestic transport:

UN number or ID number: UN 1105
UN proper shipping name: PENTANOLS
Transport hazard class(es): 3, EHS
Packing group: III
Environmental hazards: yes

Special precautions for user: None known

Sea transport

IMDG

UN number or ID number: UN 1105
UN proper shipping name: PENTANOLS
Transport hazard class(es): 3, EHS
Packing group: III
Environmental hazards: yes
Marine pollutant: NO
Special precautions for user: EmS: F-E; S-D

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Air transport

IATA/ICAO

UN number or ID number: UN 1105
UN proper shipping name: PENTANOLS
Transport hazard class(es): 3
Packing group: III
Environmental hazards: No Mark as dangerous for the environment is needed
Special precautions for user: None known

Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Maritime transport in bulk is not intended.

15. Regulatory Information**Other regulations**

If other regulatory information applies that is not already provided elsewhere in this safety data sheet, then it is described in this subsection.

16. Other Information

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