

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

**Product Name** Phosphate buffered formalin, 20%

Cat No.: 23-751-800

**Synonyms** No information available

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against No Information available

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company **Emergency Telephone Number** Richard Allan Scientific Chemtrec ÚS: (800) 424-9300

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# 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Flammable liquids Category 4 Acute oral toxicity Category 4 Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors Category 4 Skin Corrosion/irritation Category 1 B Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1 Skin Sensitization Category 1 Carcinogenicity Category 1A Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) Category 1 Target Organs - Respiratory system, Central nervous system (CNS). Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure) Category 2

Target Organs - Kidney, Liver, spleen, Blood.

#### **Label Elements**

## Signal Word

Danger

## **Hazard Statements**

Combustible liquid Harmful if swallowed Causes severe skin burns and eye damage May cause an allergic skin reaction Harmful if inhaled May cause cancer Causes damage to organs May cause respiratory irritation

May cause drowsiness or dizziness

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



## **Precautionary Statements**

#### Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

Use personal protective equipment as required

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

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

Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace

Wear protective gloves

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking

Keep cool

### Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

#### Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

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IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

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

#### Eyes

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

# Ingestion

Rinse mouth

Do NOT induce vomiting

#### Fire

In case of fire: Use CO2, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

#### Storage

Store locked up

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

#### **Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

#### Other hazards

WARNING! This product contains a chemical known in the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

# 3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Water	7732-18-5	87.6+
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	7.4
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	3.0
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	7558-80-7	< 1.0
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4	< 1.0

# 4. First-aid measures

**General Advice** If symptoms persist, call a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in

attendance.

Eye Contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.

Immediate medical attention is required.

**Skin Contact** Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical

attention is required.

**Inhalation** Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth

resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with a

respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Ingestion** Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

difficulties. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle

pain or flushing: Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness,

nausea and vomiting
Treat symptomatically

Notes to Physician

# 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide. Use:. Dry

chemical. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Water spray. alcohol-resistant foam.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media No information available

Flash Point 85 °C / 185 °F Method - No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** 

**Explosion Limits** 

No information available

Upper No data available
Lower No data available
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge No information available

#### **Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Combustible material. Containers may explode when heated. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition. Risk of ignition.

## **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO) Methanol Formaldehyde

# **Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

NFPA

HealthFlammabilityInstabilityPhysical hazards320N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions Use personal protective equipment. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary

measures against static discharges. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Evacuate

personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Pay attention to

flashback.

**Environmental Precautions** See Section 12 for additional ecological information. Should not be released into the

environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Prevent further

leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent product from entering drains.

Methods for Containment and Clean Remove all sources of ignition. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Take precautionary Up

measures against static discharges. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. Handling and storage

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Keep away Handling

> from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Do not get in eyes, on skin.

or on clothing. Pay attention to flashback.

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat Storage

and sources of ignition. Keep in properly labeled containers.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

## **Exposure Guidelines**

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Formaldehyde	Ceiling: 0.3 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 3 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 10 ppm	IDLH: 20 ppm TWA: 0.016 ppm
		(Vacated) Ceiling: 5 ppm TWA: 0.75 ppm STEL: 2 ppm	Ceiling: 0.1 ppm
Methyl alcohol	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 200 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 260 mg/m³ (Vacated) STEL: 250 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 325 mg/m³ Skin TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m³	IDLH: 6000 ppm TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m³ STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 325 mg/m³

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWAEV
Formaldehyde	Ceiling: 2 ppm Ceiling: 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Ceiling: 2 ppm Ceiling: 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL: 1.0 ppm CEV: 1.5 ppm
Methyl alcohol	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 262 mg/m³ STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 328 mg/m³ Skin	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m³ STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 310 mg/m³	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers **Engineering Measures** 

are close to the workstation location.

**Personal Protective Equipment** 

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by **Eye/face Protection** 

OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard

EN166.

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure. Skin and body protection

Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard **Respiratory Protection** 

EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Provide regular cleaning of equipment, work area **Hygiene Measures** 

and clothing.

## Physical and chemical properties

Liquid **Physical State Appearance** Clear pungent Odor

**Odor Threshold** No information available Ηд No information available

Melting Point/Range

No data available **Boiling Point/Range** No information available °C

Flash Point 85 °C / 185 °F **Evaporation Rate** No information available Flammability (solid,gas) No information available

Flammability or explosive limits

Upper No data available Lower No data available **Vapor Pressure** No information available Vapor Density > 1 No information available

**Relative Density** ~ 1.07

Solubility Soluble in water Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water No data available **Autoignition Temperature** No information available **Decomposition Temperature** No information available **Viscosity** No information available

# 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactive Hazard** None known, based on information available

Stability Stable under normal conditions.

Incompatible products. Heat, flames and sparks. Heating in air. **Conditions to Avoid** 

**Incompatible Materials** Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases, Metals, Acid anhydrides, Acid

chlorides

Hazardous Decomposition Products Carbon monoxide (CO), Methanol, Formaldehyde

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

**Acute Toxicity** 

No acute toxicity information is available for this product **Product Information** 

Category 4. ATE = 300 - 2000 mg/kg. Oral LD50

**Dermal LD50** Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.

Vapor LC50 Category 4. ATE = 10 - 20 mg/l.

**Component Information** 

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Formaldehyde	500 mg/kg (Rat)	270 mg/kg (Rabbit)	0.578 mg/L (Rat) 4 h
Methyl alcohol	6200 mg/kg (Rat)	15800 mg/kg(Rabbit)	64000 ppm ( Rat ) 4 h 83.2 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	8290 mg/kg (Rat)	7940 mg/kg (Rabbit)	Not listed

Sodium phosphate dibasic 17 g/kg (Rat) Not listed Not listed

**Toxicologically Synergistic** 

**Products** 

No information available

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin Irritation

Sensitization May cause sensitization by skin contact

Carcinogenicity

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Water	7732-18-5	Not listed				
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	Group 1	Known	A2	X	A2
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	Not listed				
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	7558-80-7	Not listed				
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4	Not listed				

IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer) IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans

NTP: (National Toxicity Program) NTP: (National Toxicity Program)

Known - Known Carcinogen

Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human

Carcinogen

A1 - Known Human Carcinogen ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists) A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen

A3 - Animal Carcinogen

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)

**Mutagenic Effects** Mutagenic effects have occurred in humans.

**Reproductive Effects** Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.

Developmental effects have occurred in experimental animals. **Developmental Effects** 

**Teratogenicity** Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

Respiratory system Central nervous system (CNS) STOT - single exposure STOT - repeated exposure

Kidney Liver spleen Blood

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

delayed

Symptoms / effects,both acute and Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing: Symptoms

of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

Tumorigenic effects have been reported in experimental animals. See actual entry in Other Adverse Effects

RTECS for complete information.

# 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity** 

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Formaldehyde	Not listed	Leuciscus idus: LC50 = 15	Not listed	EC50 = 20 mg/L 96h
		mg/L 96h		EC50 = 2  mg/L  48h

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ſ	Methyl alcohol	Not listed	Pimephales promelas: LC50	EC50 = 39000 mg/L 25 min	EC50 > 10000 mg/L 24h
-			> 10000 mg/L 96h	EC50 = 40000 mg/L 15 min	_
1				EC50 = 43000 mg/L 5 min	

Persistence and Degradability
Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation

No information available No information available.

Mobility

Component	log Pow
Formaldehyde	-0.35
Methyl alcohol	-0.74

# 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** 

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Formaldehyde - 50-00-0	U122	-
Methyl alcohol - 67-56-1	U154	-

# 14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No UN3334

Proper Shipping Name AVIATION REGULATED LIQUID, N.O.S.

Hazard Class

**TDG** 

UN-No UN3334

Proper Shipping Name AVIATION REGULATED LIQUID, N.O.S.

Hazard Class

<u>IATA</u>

UN-No UN3334

Proper Shipping Name AVIATION REGULATED LIQUID, N.O.S.

Hazard Class

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN3334

Proper Shipping Name AVIATION REGULATED LIQUID, N.O.S.

Hazard Class 9

# 15. Regulatory information

## International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Water	Х	X	-	231-791-2	-		Χ	-	Χ	Χ	Χ
Formaldehyde	Х	Х	-	200-001-8	-		Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	Х
Methyl alcohol	Х	Х	-	200-659-6	-		Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	Х	Х	-	231-449-2	-		Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Sodium phosphate dibasic	Х	Х	-	231-448-7	-		Χ	Χ	Х	Х	Х

#### Legend:

- X Listed
- E Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.
- F Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.
- N Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.
- P Indicates a commenced PMN substance
- R Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.
- S Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule
- T Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

## U.S. Federal Regulations

**TSCA 12(b)** 

Not applicable

#### **SARA 313**

Component	CAS-No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	7.4	0.1
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	3.0	1.0

## SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization

Acute Health Hazard Yes
Chronic Health Hazard Yes
Fire Hazard Yes
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard No
Reactive Hazard No

## **Clean Water Act**

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Formaldehyde	X	100 lb	-	-
Sodium phosphate dibasic	X	5000 lb	-	-

#### Clean Air Act

Component	HAPS Data	Class 1 Ozone Depletors	Class 2 Ozone Depletors
Formaldehyde	X		-
Methyl alcohol	X		-

# **OSHA** Occupational Safety and Health Administration Not applicable

Component	Specifically Regulated Chemicals	Highly Hazardous Chemicals
Formaldehyde	2 ppm STEL	TQ: 1000 lb
·	0.5 ppm Action Level	
	0.75 ppm TWA	

## CERCLA

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Formaldehyde	100 lb	100 lb
Methyl alcohol	5000 lb	-
Sodium phosphate dibasic	5000 lb	-

## California Proposition 65

This product contains the following Proposition 65 chemicals:

Component	CAS-No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL	Category
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	Carcinogen	40 μg/day	Carcinogen
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	Developmental	-	Developmental

## State Right-to-Know

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Water	-	-	X	-	-
Formaldehyde	X	X	X	Х	X
Methyl alcohol	X	X	X	Х	X
Sodium phosphate	X	X	X	-	-

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dibasic			

#### **U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y
DOT Marine Pollutant N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

#### **U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product contains the following DHS chemicals:

Component	DHS Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standard	
Formaldehyde	11250 lb STQ (solution)	
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	2000 lb STQ	

#### **Other International Regulations**

Mexico - Grade Slight risk, Grade 1

#### Canada

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

WHMIS Hazard Class D1B Toxic materials

E Corrosive material D2A Very toxic materials B3 Combustible liquid



## 16. Other information

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This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard

replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally

Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS)

#### **Disclaimer**

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## **End of SDS**