

Australian statement of hazardous nature : Classified as hazardous according to criteria of Safe Work Australia

## Section 1 - Identification

Product Name **sec-Butyl alcohol**

CAS No 78-92-2

Synonyms sec-Butyl alcohol, 2-Butanol

Product Code **B/5200/25, B/5200/21, B/5200/PB17, B/5200/08, B/52**

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Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against This product does not contain any substance(s) on the Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents list.  
This product does not contain any substance(s) subject to Prohibition, Authorization or  
Restriction. This product does not contain any substance(s) listed on the voluntary National  
Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern.

## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Safe Work Australia

Classified as hazardous according to criteria of Safe Work Australia

#### Physical hazards

Flammable liquids

Category 3

#### Health hazards

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation  
Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)

Category 2  
Category 3

#### Environmental hazards

No hazards identified

### Label Elements



Flame



Exclamation Mark

**Signal Word****Warning****Hazard Statements**

H226 - Flammable liquid and vapor  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation  
H336 - May cause drowsiness or dizziness

**Precautionary Statements**

P241 - Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting equipment  
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  
P242 - Use non-sparking tools  
P243 - Take action to prevent static discharges  
P261 - Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
P312 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell  
P303 + P361 + P353 - IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower  
P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing  
P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
P370 + P378 - In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish  
P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other information**

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
sec-Butyl alcohol	78-92-2	>95

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.
<b>First Aid Facilities</b>	Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	Difficulty in breathing. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.

### Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), peroxides.

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Flammable. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

### Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

### Emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment as required. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

### Environmental Precautions

Avoid release to the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

#### Clean-up methods - small spillage

Remove all sources of ignition. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

#### Clean-up methods - large spillage

Typically only supplied in small quantities as packaged goods.

If extremely toxic or used in larger quantities ensure a spillage action plan is in place. Evacuate area. Control the source and/or contain the spill if safe and able to do so. Use temporary diking, sand bags, dry sand, earth or proprietary booms/absorbent pads if available. Obtain advice on containment, neutralisation and clean-up from local emergency responders.

### Reference to Other Sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Precautions for Safe Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use only non-sparking tools. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

**Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Flammables area. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. May form explosive peroxides on prolonged storage.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

AS 1940-2004 - The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

**Exposure limits**

**AUS** - Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment - Guidance Note on the Interpretation of Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:3008(1995)]

Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003(1995)] updated in August, 2005. Safe Work Australia **UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020. **ACGIH** - Threshold Limit Values - Ceiling (TLV-C) guidelines by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) for controlling worker exposure to airborne chemical concentrations in the workplace.

Component	Australia	New Zealand WEL	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom	Germany
sec-Butyl alcohol	TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 303 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 303 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 100 ppm	STEL: 150 ppm 15 min STEL: 462 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 100 ppm 8 hr TWA: 308 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr	

**Biological limit values**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

**Exposure Controls****Engineering Measures**

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment.

Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

**Personal protective equipment****Eye Protection**

Goggles (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)

**Hand Protection**

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	AUS/NZ Standard	Glove comments
Butyl rubber	> 480 minutes	0.38 mm	AS/NZS 2161	As tested under EN374-3 Determination of Resistance to Permeation by Chemicals
Neoprene gloves	> 480 minutes	0.45 mm		
Viton (R)	> 480 minutes	0.3 mm		

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

**Skin and body protection**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices
<b>Recommended Filter type:</b>	Organic gases and vapours filter Type A Brown conforming to EN14387 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)
<b>Recommended half mask:-</b>	Valve filtering: EN405 or Half mask: EN140 plus filter, EN 141 (or AUS/NZ equivalent) When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.
<b>Environmental exposure controls</b>	No information available.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	Colorless	
<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid	
<b>Odor</b>	sweet	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	No information available	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	-115 °C / -175 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	99 °C / 210.2 °F	@ 760 mmHg
<b>Flash Point</b>	24 °C / 75.2 °F	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No data available	
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable	Liquid
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	<b>Lower</b> 1.7 vol% <b>Upper</b> 9.8 vol%	
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	17 mbar @ 20 °C	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	2.6	(Air = 1.0)
<b>Specific Gravity / Density</b>	0.800	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	Not applicable	Liquid
<b>Water Solubility</b>	125 g/L (20°C)	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Component</b>	<b>log Pow</b>	
sec-Butyl alcohol	0.6	
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	390 °C / 734 °F	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	4.2 mPa.s @ 20 °C	
<b>Explosive Properties</b>		explosive air/vapour mixtures possible
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Other information</b>		
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C4 H10 O	
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	74.12	

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions. May form explosive peroxides on prolonged storage.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition, Incompatible products, Exposure to light, Exposure to air.

**Incompatible Materials** Strong oxidizing agents, Acid chlorides, Acid anhydrides.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products** Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). peroxides.

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

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Information on Toxicological Effects

#### Product Information

**(a) acute toxicity;**

**Oral**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Dermal**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Inhalation**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
sec-Butyl alcohol	2200 mg/kg ( Rat ) 2193 mg/kg ( Rat )	> 2 g/kg ( Rat )	49 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h (vapour)

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Test method**

OECD 404

**Test species**

rabbit

**Observational endpoint**

No skin irritation

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;**

Category 2

**Test method**

OECD 405

**Test species**

rabbit

**Observation end point**

Irritating to eyes

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**

**Respiratory**

No data available

**Skin**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	Test method	Test species	Study result
sec-Butyl alcohol 78-92-2 ( >95 )	OECD Test Guideline 406	guinea pig	non-sensitising

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;**

No data available

Not mutagenic in AMES Test

**(f) carcinogenicity;**

No data available

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

**(g) reproductive toxicity;**

No data available

**(h) STOT-single exposure;**

Category 3

**Results / Target organs**

Respiratory system  
Central nervous system (CNS)

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;**

No data available

**Target Organs**

No information available.

**(j) aspiration hazard;**

No data available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

### Ecotoxicity effects

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
sec-Butyl alcohol	Pimephales promelas: LC50: 3670 mg/L/96h	EC50: 3750 mg/L/24h		Pseudomonas putida: 500 mg/L/16h

### Persistence and Degradability

#### Persistence

Readily biodegradable

#### Bioaccumulative Potential

Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
sec-Butyl alcohol	0.6	No data available

### Mobility

The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. : Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility Highly mobile in soils

### Endocrine Disruptor Information

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

### Persistent Organic Pollutant

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

### Ozone Depletion Potential

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

### Waste from Residues/Unused Products

Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure conformity with all applicable regulations.

### Contaminated Packaging

Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

### Other Information

Chemical wastes should be disposed through a licensed commercial waste collection service. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not flush to sewer. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

### IMDG/IMO

UN-No	UN1120
Proper Shipping Name	Butanols
Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	III

### ADG

UN-No	UN1120
Proper Shipping Name	Butanols
Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	III

### IATA

UN-No	UN1120
Proper Shipping Name	Butanols

Hazard Class 3  
Packing Group III

Environmental hazards No hazards identified

Special Precautions No special precautions required

Additional information None known

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

#### National Regulations Australia

See section 8 for national exposure control parameters.

#### **Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons**

No poison schedule number allocated.

#### **Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)**

Component	Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)	Additional information
sec-Butyl alcohol - 78-92-2	Present	-

#### **Australian - Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents Substance List**

This product does not contain any substance(s) on the Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents list.

#### **Chemicals of Security Concern**

This product does not contain any substance(s) listed on the voluntary National Code of Practice for Chemicals of Security Concern

National pollutant inventory Not applicable

#### **Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements**

Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licensing requirements when they apply.

This product does not contain any substance(s) subject to Prohibition, Authorization or Restriction.

#### **International Inventories**

Component	AICS	NZIoC	EINECS	ELINCS	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	IECSC	KECL
sec-Butyl alcohol	X	X	201-158-5	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	KE-03868

**Legend:** X - Listed. '-' - Not Listed. **KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

#### **International Regulations**

Ozone Depletion Potential This product does not contain any known or suspected substance



**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Rotterdam Convention (PIC)** Not applicable

**Basel convention on the control of transboundary movements of hazardous wastes and their disposal**  
Not applicable.

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements
sec-Butyl alcohol	78-92-2	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

#### Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
sec-Butyl alcohol	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

## Section 16 - Other Information

### Legend

<b>AICS</b> - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances	<b>NZIoC</b> - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
<b>TSCA</b> - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory	<b>EINECS/ELINCS</b> - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances
<b>DSL/NDL</b> - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List	<b>ENCS</b> - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances
<b>IECSC</b> - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	<b>KECL</b> - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
<b>PICCS</b> - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances	<b>CAS</b> - Chemical Abstracts Service
<b>TWA</b> - Time Weighted Average	<b>ACGIH</b> - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)
<b>IARC</b> - International Agency for Research on Cancer	<b>IMO/IMDG</b> - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
<b>ICAO/IATA</b> - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association	<b>ADG</b> Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
<b>MARPOL</b> - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	<b>OECD</b> - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>NZS 5433:2012</b> - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land	<b>LC50</b> - Lethal Concentration 50%
<b>LD50</b> - Lethal Dose 50%	<b>ATE</b> - Acute Toxicity Estimate
<b>EC50</b> - Effective Concentration 50%	<b>RPE</b> - Respiratory Protective Equipment
<b>WEL</b> - Workplace Exposure Limit	<b>NOEC</b> - No Observed Effect Concentration
<b>DNEL</b> - Derived No Effect Level	<b>BCF</b> - Bioconcentration factor
<b>POW</b> - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water	<b>PBT</b> - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic
<b>vPvB</b> - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative	
<b>VOC</b> - (Volatile Organic Compound)	

#### Key literature references and sources for data

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>  
Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadviser - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

#### Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and

hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

Chemical incident response training.

Fire prevention and fighting, identifying hazards and risks, static electricity, explosive atmospheres posed by vapours and dusts.

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**This Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is prepared in accordance to and complies with the requirements of Safe Work Australia - Work Health and Safety Regulations (WHS Regulations).**

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