

Classified as hazardous in accordance with the criteria of EPA New Zealand

## Section 1 - Identification

### Product Identifier

Product Name

Methanol

Recommended Use

Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against

No Information available

Product Code

HH006, HH007, HH008, AJA1822

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## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

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HSNO Approval Number

HSR002596

### GHS Classification

#### Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### Health hazards

Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors

Category 4

Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Category 2

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Category 2

Germ Cell Mutagenicity

Category 2

Carcinogenicity

Category 2

Reproductive Toxicity

Category 2

Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)

Category 1

Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)

Category 2

#### Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

### Label Elements

**Signal Word****Danger****Hazard Statements**

H315 - Causes skin irritation  
 H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
 H341 - Suspected of causing genetic defects if inhaled  
 H370 - Causes damage to organs  
 H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure  
 H332 - Harmful if inhaled  
 H351 - Suspected of causing cancer  
 H361 - Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

P201 - Obtain special instructions before use  
 P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
 P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
 P280 - Wear eye protection/ face protection

**Response**

P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
 P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
 P332 + P313 - If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention  
 P337 + P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention  
 P308 + P311 - IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor  
 P362 + P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse

**Storage**

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

**Disposal**

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other hazards which do not result in classification**

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Non Hazardous Media	NA	97.9
Phenol	108-95-2	<1
Methanol	67-56-1	<1
Basic Fuchsin	632-99-5	<0.1

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Description of first aid measures****General Advice**

If symptoms persist, call a physician.

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<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.
<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>	None reasonably foreseeable.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically.

## **Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures**

### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

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

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

No information available.

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

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

None under normal use conditions.

### **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**

### **Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures**

#### **Emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required.

#### **Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

#### **Methods for Containment and Clean Up**

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

#### **Precautions to prevent secondary hazards**

Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations

#### **Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## **Section 7 - Handling and Storage**

**Precautions for Safe Handling****Advice on safe handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

**Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

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

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

**Incompatible Materials**

None known.

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

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

**Control parameters****Exposure limits**

**NZ** - Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor

**UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

**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

**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	New Zealand WEL	Australia	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom
Phenol	TWA: 1 ppm TWA: 3.8 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 2 ppm STEL: 7.7 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin	TWA: 1 ppm TWA: 4 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 5 ppm Skin	STEL: 4 ppm 15 min STEL: 16 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 2 ppm 8 hr TWA: 7.8 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr Skin
Methanol	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 262 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 328 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin	STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 328 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 262 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 333 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 266 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 200 ppm

**Biological limit values**

**NZ** - Substances assigned Biological Exposure Indices in the New Zealand Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) TLVs® and BEIs®- Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents & Biological Exposure Indices. 2022 Edition

Component	New Zealand	Australia	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices	United Kingdom
Phenol	100 mg/L (urine) end of shift (Phenol)		250 mg/g creatinine Medium: urine Time: end of shift Determinant: Phenol with hydrolysis	
Methanol	15 mg/L (urine) end of shift (Methyl alcohol)		15 mg/L Medium: urine Time: end of shift Determinant: Methanol	

**Appropriate engineering controls**

**Engineering Measures**

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. 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

**Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**

<b>Eye Protection</b>	Goggles (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)
<b>Hand Protection</b>	Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	AUS/NZ Standard	Glove comments
Disposable gloves.	See manufacturers recommendations	-	AS/NZS 2161	(minimum requirement)

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 compatability, 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.

<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Long sleeved clothing
<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 (or AUS/NZ equivalent) When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Environmental exposure controls** No information available.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

**Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid	
<b>Appearance</b>	Red	
<b>Odor</b>	No information available	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	No information available	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	0 °C / 32 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	100 °C / 212 °F	
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	No data available	
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable	Liquid
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	No data available	
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Soluble in water	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Component</b>	<b>log Pow</b>	
Phenol	1.5	
Methanol	-0.77	

Basic Fuchsin	1.632	
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Density / Specific Gravity	No data available	
Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid
Vapor Density	No data available	(Air = 1.0)
Particle characteristics	Not applicable (liquid)	

Other information

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products, Excess heat.
Incompatible Materials	None known.

Hazardous Decomposition Products None under normal use conditions.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

Acute EffectsInformation on likely routes of exposureProduct Information

Inhalation	Not an expected route of exposure.
Eyes	Not an expected route of exposure.
Skin	No known effect based on information supplied.
Ingestion	Not an expected route of exposure.

Numerical measures of toxicity(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

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Phenol	LD50 = 340 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 = 630 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	LC50 = 316 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ( Rat ) 4 h
Methanol	LD50 = 6200 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 = 15840 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	LC50 = 22500 ppm ( Rat ) 8 h

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 2

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 2

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory No data available  
Skin No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; Category 2

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available

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

Component	New Zealand	Australia	New South Wales	Western Australia	IARC	EU	UK	Germany
Phenol								Cat. 3B
Basic Fuchsin					Group 2B		Carc. Cat. 3	

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; Category 2

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; Category 2

Target Organs No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; No data available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed

No information available.

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

### Ecotoxicity

#### Aquatic ecotoxicity

Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Phenol	4-7 mg/L LC50 96 h 32 mg/L LC50 96 h	EC50: 10.2 - 15.5 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna) EC50: 4.24 - 10.7 mg/L, 48h Static (Daphnia magna)	EC50: 187 - 279 mg/L, 72h static (Desmodesmus subspicatus) EC50: 0.0188 - 0.1044 mg/L, 96h static (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: = 46.42 mg/L, 96h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata)	EC50 21 - 36 mg/L 30 min EC50 = 23.28 mg/L 5 min EC50 = 25.61 mg/L 15 min EC50 = 28.8 mg/L 5 min EC50 = 31.6 mg/L 15 min
Methanol	LC50: 13500 - 17600 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 18 - 20 mL/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: 19500 - 20700			

	mg/L, 96h flow-through (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: > 100 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 28200 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas)			
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**Terrestrial ecotoxicity**

Component	Earthworm	Avian	Honeybees
Phenol	Acute toxicity: LC100 = 6900 mg/kg (Eisenia foetida, 56 Days, soil dry weight)		
Methanol	Acute toxicity: LC50 > 1 mg/cm2 (Eisenia foetida, 48 h, filter paper)		

**Persistence and Degradability**

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

**Bioaccumulative Potential** Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Phenol	1.5	17.5 dimensionless 647 dimensionless
Methanol	-0.77	<10 dimensionless
Basic Fuchsin	1.632	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

**Other adverse effects**

**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 treatment methods**

**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.

**Other Information** Disposal agencies or waste contractors must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains.

## Section 14 - Transport Information



Component	Hazchem Code
Phenol 108-95-2 ( <1 )	3X 2X
Methanol 67-56-1 ( <1 )	2WE

**NZS 5433:2020** Not regulated

**IATA** Not regulated

**IMDG/IMO** Not regulated

**Environmental hazards** No hazards identified

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable, packaged goods

**Special Precautions** No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods regulations for additional information.

**Additional information** None known

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

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#### **National Regulations**

There are no applicable tolerable exposure limits or environmental exposure limits according to the EPA Controls for Hazardous Substances

#### **Certified handlers, tracking and controlled substance license requirements**

Certified handlers are required for some substances. This includes substances requiring a controlled substance license, and most explosives, vertebrates toxic agents, and certain fumigants. Acutely toxic substances which are a Category 1 or 2, such as pesticides also require Certified handlers. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information. Tracking is required for some highly hazardous substances. These substances need to be under the control of an appropriately trained person or appropriately secured. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information.

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

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

### 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

Component	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	IMDG Marine Pollutant
Methanol	500 tonne	5000 tonne	

### **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)
Phenol	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-
Methanol	-	Use restricted. See entry 69. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-
Basic Fuchsin	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

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

### International Inventories

New Zealand (NZIoC), Australia (AICS), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Korea (KECL), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	KECL	IECSC	TCSI
Non Hazardous Media	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Phenol	108-95-2	X	X	203-632-7	-	-	X	X	X
Methanol	67-56-1	X	X	200-659-6	-	-	KE-23193	X	X
Basic Fuchsin	632-99-5	X	X	211-189-6	-	-	KE-07008	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
Non Hazardous Media	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Phenol	108-95-2	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Methanol	67-56-1	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Basic Fuchsin	632-99-5	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X

**Legend:** X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

## Section 16 - Other Information

**This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of the EPA Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020 and WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations**

### Legend

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average

**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer

**NZS 5433:2020** - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land

**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**PNEC** - Predicted No Effect Concentration

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**ADG** - Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail

**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%

**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment

**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

**Key literature references and sources for data**

HSNO classifications provided in the New Zealand Chemical Classification Information Database (CCID).

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

EPA Guide to classifying hazardous substances in New Zealand

EPA - Assigning a product to an existing HSNO approval guide

**Classification and procedure used to derive the classification for mixtures according to Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 [CLP]:**

**Physical hazards** On basis of test data

**Health Hazards** Calculation method

**Environmental hazards** Calculation method

**Training Advice**

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

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