

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Phenylacetonitrile

Cat No. : L03754

CAS No 140-29-4
Synonyms Phenylacetonitrile

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**Company**

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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)

Acute oral toxicity	Category 3
Acute dermal toxicity	Category 3
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors	Category 1

Label Elements**Signal Word**

Danger

Hazard Statements

Fatal if inhaled
Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Wear respiratory protection

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

Skin

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell
Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician
Rinse mouth

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)

None identified

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Benzyl cyanide	140-29-4	>95

4. First-aid measures

General Advice

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

Eye Contact

In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

Skin Contact

Immediate medical attention is required. Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes.

Inhalation

Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Immediate medical attention is required. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device.

Ingestion

Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

Most important symptoms and effects	No information available.
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO ₂), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	102 °C / 215.6 °F
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	590 °C / 1094 °F
Explosion Limits	
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

Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Nitrogen oxides (NO_x). Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO₂). Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid).

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

Health
4

Flammability
1

Instability
0

Physical hazards
N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Ensure adequate ventilation.
Environmental Precautions	Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Soak up with inert absorbent material.

7. Handling and storage

Handling	Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection.
Storage.	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong reducing agents.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Benzyl cyanide		(Vacated) TWA: 5 mg/m ³	IDLH: 25 mg/m ³	

Legend

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Engineering Measures

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Personal Protective Equipment**Eye/face Protection**

Tight sealing safety goggles. Face protection shield.

Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respiratory Protection

Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard 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.

Recommended Filter type:

Organic gases and vapours filter. Type A. Brown. conforming to EN14387.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Liquid
Appearance	Light yellow
Odor	aromatic
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	Not applicable
Melting Point/Range	-24 °C / -11.2 °F
Boiling Point/Range	233 - 234 °C / 451.4 - 453.2 °F @ 760 mmHg
Flash Point	102 °C / 215.6 °F
Evaporation Rate	No information available
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	1.3 hPa @ 60 °C
Vapor Density	4.04
Specific Gravity	1.010
Solubility	Insoluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	590 °C / 1094 °F
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	No information available
Molecular Formula	C8 H7 N
Molecular Weight	117.15

10. Stability and reactivity**Reactive Hazard**

None known, based on information available

Stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Conditions to Avoid

Incompatible products. Excess heat.

Incompatible Materials Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases, Strong reducing agents

Hazardous Decomposition Products Nitrogen oxides (NO_x), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO₂), Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid)

Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Hazardous Reactions None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Product Information

Oral LD50 Category 3.

Dermal LD50 Category 3.

Vapor LC50 Category 1.

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Benzyl cyanide	LD50 = 270 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 270 mg/kg (Rabbit)	LC50 = 430 mg/m ³ (Rat) 2 h

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

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

Irritation No information available

Sensitization No information available

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

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Benzyl cyanide	140-29-4	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Mutagenic Effects No information available

Reproductive Effects No information available.

Developmental Effects No information available.

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure None known

STOT - repeated exposure None known

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed No information available

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Benzyl cyanide	Not listed	Not listed	EC50 = 1.20 mg/L 15 min EC50 = 1.35 mg/L 30 min	Not listed

			EC50 = 1.51 mg/L 5 min	
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Persistence and Degradability May persist based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility . Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Benzyl cyanide	1.56

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.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No UN2470
 Proper Shipping Name Phenylacetone nitrile, liquid
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Packing Group III

TDG

UN-No UN2470
 Proper Shipping Name Phenylacetone nitrile, liquid
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Packing Group III

IATA

UN-No UN2470
 Proper Shipping Name Phenylacetone nitrile, liquid
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Packing Group III

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN2470
 Proper Shipping Name Phenylacetone nitrile, liquid
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Packing Group III

15. Regulatory information

United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Benzyl cyanide	140-29-4	X	ACTIVE	-

Legend:

TSCA - US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

- - Not Listed

TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)

Not applicable

TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export

Not applicable

International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Benzyl cyanide	140-29-4	X	-	205-410-5	X	X	X	X	X	KE-02153

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

U.S. Federal Regulations

SARA 313

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product contains a chemical or chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372.

Component	CAS No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %	SARA 313 - Reporting thresholds
Benzyl cyanide	140-29-4	>95	1.0 %	-

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

CWA (Clean Water Act)

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Benzyl cyanide	-	-	X	X

Clean Air Act

Component	HAPS Data	Class 1 Ozone Depletors	Class 2 Ozone Depletors
Benzyl cyanide	X		-

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration Not applicable

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) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355).

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA Extremely Hazardous Substances RQs	SARA Reportable Quantity (RQ)
Benzyl cyanide	-	500 lb	-

California Proposition 65 This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Benzyl cyanide	X	X	X	X	X

U.S. Department of Transportation

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

U.S. Department of Homeland Security This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade Slight risk, Grade 1

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	CAS No	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)
Benzyl cyanide	140-29-4	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

REACH links

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

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

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Benzyl cyanide	140-29-4	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

Other International Regulations

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Benzyl cyanide	140-29-4	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

16. Other information

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Revision Summary

New emergency telephone response service provider.

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