

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

## Section 1 - Identification

**Product Name** Malononitrile

**CAS No** 109-77-3

**Synonyms** MDN; Dicyanomethane

**Product Code** **A15046**

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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

No hazards identified

#### Health hazards

Acute Oral Toxicity	Category 2
Acute Dermal Toxicity	Category 3
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists	Category 3
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Skin Sensitization	Category 1

#### Environmental hazards

Chronic aquatic toxicity	Category 1
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#### Label Elements



Skull and Crossbones



Environment

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

H300 - Fatal if swallowed  
H311 - Toxic in contact with skin  
H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H331 - Toxic if inhaled  
H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

**Precautionary Statements**

P261 - Avoid breathing 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  
P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
P272 - Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace  
P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
P301 + P310 - IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor  
P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
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  
P311 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor  
P330 - Rinse mouth  
P361 + P364 - Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse  
P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse  
P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
P405 - Store locked up  
P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other information**

Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates  
This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Malononitrile	109-77-3	>95

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Inhalation**

Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. 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. Immediate medical attention is required.

<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.
<b>General Advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
<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. May cause allergic skin reaction. Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death: 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
<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. Chemical foam.

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

No information available.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid).

### Decomposition Temperature

> 100°C

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.

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

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

### Emergency procedures

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

### Environmental Precautions

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

#### Clean-up methods - small spillage

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

**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**

Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Avoid dust formation. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

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

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

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

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

**Exposure limits**

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

**DE** - MAK and BAT values of Hazardous Chemical Compounds in the Work Area. Published by German Research Foundation on July 1, 2011

Component	Australia	New Zealand WEL	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom	Germany
Malononitrile				STEL: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr Skin	TWA: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8 Stunden). MAK Höhepunkt: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Haut

**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 adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. 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

**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
Nitrile rubber	See manufacturers	-	AS/NZS 2161	(minimum requirement)
Neoprene	recommendations			
Natural rubber				
PVC				

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.

<b>Skin and body protection</b>	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>	Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)
<b>Recommended half mask:-</b>	Particle filtering: EN149:2001 (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>	Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	Yellow	
<b>Physical State</b>	Solid	
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	3-5	90.9 g/L
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	30 - 34 °C / 86 - 93.2 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	220 °C / 428 °F	@ 760 mmHg
<b>Flash Point</b>	112 °C / 233.6 °F	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	1 hPa @ 50 °C	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Specific Gravity / Density</b>	1.040	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Water Solubility</b>	133 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>	
Malononitrile	-0.5	
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	365 °C / 689 °F	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	> 100°C	
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Explosive Properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Other information</b>		
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C3 H2 N2	
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	66.06	

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Temperatures above 100°C, Incompatible products, Avoid dust formation.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases, Strong reducing agents.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Nitrogen oxides (NOx). Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ). Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid).
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization may occur.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Information on Toxicological Effects

#### Product Information

<b>(a) acute toxicity;</b>	
<b>Oral</b>	Category 2
<b>Dermal</b>	Category 3
<b>Inhalation</b>	Category 3

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Malononitrile	LD50 = 14 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 = 350 mg/kg ( Rat )	LC50 = 57 ppm ( Rat ) 2 h

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** No data available

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Category 2

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

<b>Respiratory</b>	No data available
<b>Skin</b>	Category 1

**Sensitization** May cause sensitization by skin contact

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** No data available

**(f) carcinogenicity;** No data available

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** No data available

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** No data available

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** No data available

**Target Organs** None known.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Not applicable  
Solid

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death: 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

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity effects** The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Malononitrile	LC50: 1.48 - 1.8 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: = 0.57 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 0.51 - 0.61 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas)			

### Persistence and Degradability

**Persistence** Persistence is unlikely.  
**Degradation in sewage treatment plant** Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants.  
**Bioaccumulative Potential** Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Malononitrile	-0.5	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.

**Other Information** Chemical wastes should be disposed through a licensed commercial waste collection service. Do not flush to sewer. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

### IMDG/IMO

**UN-No** UN2647  
**Proper Shipping Name** MALONONITRILE  
**Hazard Class** 6.1  
**Packing Group** II

**ADG**

UN-No UN2647  
Proper Shipping Name MALONONITRILE  
Hazard Class 6.1  
Packing Group II

Component	Hazchem Code
Malononitrile 109-77-3 ( >95 )	2X

**IATA**

UN-No UN2647  
Proper Shipping Name MALONONITRILE  
Hazard Class 6.1  
Packing Group II

**Environmental hazards** Dangerous for the environment  
Product is a marine pollutant according to the criteria set by IMDG/IMO

**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
Malononitrile - 109-77-3	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 licencing 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
Malononitrile	X	X	203-703-2	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	KE-10262

**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
Malononitrile	109-77-3	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)
Malononitrile	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

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

## Section 16 - Other Information

#### Legend

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances  
**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  
**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals  
**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 (PNEC)  
**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime

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

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

**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)

Dangerous Goods Code

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

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

**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

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

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - 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.

#### Revision Date

31-Jan-2025

#### Revision Summary

SDS sections updated.

**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).**

#### Disclaimer

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## End of Safety Data Sheet