

Occupational Safety and Health (Classification, Labelling and Safety Data Sheet of Hazardous Chemicals) Regulations 2013

**SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING**
**Product Identifier**

Perihal Produk: **Formaldehyde solution, 3.7%-10%**  
 Product Description: **Formaldehyde solution, 3.7%-10%**  
 Cat No. : SF96-20; SF98-4; SF98-20  
 Synonyms Formalin solution, 10%-27% (Histological)

**Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.  
 Uses advised against No Information available

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**SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**
**Classification of the substance or mixture**

Acute oral toxicity	Category 4 (H302)
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors	Category 3 (H331)
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2 (H315)
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2 (H319)
Skin Sensitization	Category 1 (H317)
Germ Cell Mutagenicity	Category 2 (H341)
Carcinogenicity	Category 1B (H350)
Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)	Category 2 (H371)

**Label Elements**


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## Signal Word

## Danger

### Hazard Statements

H302 - Harmful if swallowed  
H312 - Harmful in contact with skin  
H331 - Toxic if inhaled  
H315 - Causes skin irritation  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction  
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation  
H341 - Suspected of causing genetic defects  
H350 - May cause cancer  
H371 - May cause damage to organs

### 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  
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

#### Response

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  
P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor  
P330 - Rinse mouth  
P331 - Do NOT induce vomiting  
P362 + P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse

#### Storage

P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
P405 - Store locked up

#### Disposal

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

### Other Hazards

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Water	7732-18-5	84.8 - 94.2
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	3.7 - 10.0
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	1.0 - 4.1
Odor Mask	NA	0.0 - 1.1

## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### Description of first aid measures

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<b>General Advice</b>	Immediate medical attention is required. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. 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>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.

## **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

May cause allergic skin reaction. Difficulty in breathing. . Causes burns by all exposure routes. 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. 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.

## **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

## **SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

### **Extinguishing media**

#### **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.

### **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. In the event of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes.

### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), Formaldehyde, Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### **Advice 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**

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## Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

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

## Environmental precautions

Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

## Methods and Material for Containment and Cleaning Up

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

## Reference to Other Sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for Safe Handling

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. 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.

### Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

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

### Specific End Uses

Use in laboratories.

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Control Parameters

Component	Malaysia	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL
Formaldehyde		TWA: 0.1 ppm STEL: 0.3 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 3 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 10 ppm (Vacated) Ceiling: 5 ppm TWA: 0.75 ppm STEL: 2 ppm
Methyl alcohol		TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 200 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Vacated) STEL: 250 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 325 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

Component	European Union	The United Kingdom	Germany
Formaldehyde	TWA: 0.37 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8h) TWA: 0.62 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8h) TWA: 0.3 ppm (8h) TWA: 0.5 ppm (8h) Skin STEL: 0.74 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8h) STEL: 0.6 ppm (8h)	STEL: 2 ppm 15 min STEL: 2.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 2 ppm 8 hr TWA: 2.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr Carc.	TWA: 0.3 ppm (8 Stunden). AGW - exposure factor 2 TWA: 0.37 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8 Stunden). AGW - exposure factor 2 TWA: 0.3 ppm (8 Stunden). MAK no irritation should occur during mixed exposure TWA: 0.37 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8 Stunden). MAK no irritation should occur during

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			mixed exposure Höhepunkt: 0.6 ppm Höhepunkt: 0.74 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Methyl alcohol	TWA: 200 ppm 8 hr TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr Skin	WEL - TWA: 200 ppm TWA; 266 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA WEL - STEL: 250 ppm STEL; 333 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL	100 ppm TWA MAK; 130 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA MAKSkin absorber

## Exposure Controls

### Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. 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

#### **Hand Protection**

Protective gloves

#### **Skin and body protection**

Long sleeved clothing

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.

#### **Respiratory Protection**

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators

#### **Recommended Filter type:**

Organic gases and vapours filter Type A Brown conforming to EN14387

To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

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

Prevent product from entering drains Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### **Appearance**

Colorless

#### **Physical State**

Liquid

#### **Odor**

pungent

#### **Odor Threshold**

No data available

#### **pH**

No information available

#### **Melting Point/Range**

0 °C / 32 °F

#### **Softening Point**

No data available

#### **Boiling Point/Range**

100 °C / 212 °F

#### **Flash Point**

No information available

**Method -** No information available

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Evaporation Rate	No information available	
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable	Liquid
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Vapor Pressure	No information available	
Vapor Density	> 1.00	(Air = 1.0)
Specific Gravity / Density	> 1.00	
Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid
Water Solubility	Miscible	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Component	log Pow	
Formaldehyde	-0.35	
Methyl alcohol	-0.74	
Autoignition Temperature	No data available	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	No data available	
Explosive Properties	No information available	
Oxidizing Properties	No information available	

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Reactivity

None known, based on information available.

### Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions.

### Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

### Conditions to Avoid

Incompatible products. Excess heat.

### Incompatible Materials

Strong oxidizing agents.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Formaldehyde. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

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## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Information on Toxicological Effects

#### Product Information

##### (a) acute toxicity;

Oral

Category 4

Dermal

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Inhalation

Category 3

#### Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Water	-	-	-
Formaldehyde	500 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 270 mg/kg (Rabbit)	0.578 mg/L (Rat) 4 h
Methyl alcohol	LD50 = 1187 – 2769 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 17100 mg/kg (Rabbit)	LC50 = 128.2 mg/L (Rat) 4 h

##### (b) skin corrosion/irritation;

Category 2

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

Category 2

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

Respiratory

No data available

Skin

Category 1

Component	Test method	Test species	Study result
Formaldehyde 50-00-0 ( 3.7 - 10.0 )	Skin sensitization Test method Patch Test	Man guinea pig	Sensitizer Sensitization
	Respiratory sensitization in vitro		
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1 ( 1.0 - 4.1 )	OECD Test Guideline 406 Guinea Pig Maximisation Test (GPMT)	guinea pig	non-sensitising

No information available

##### (e) germ cell mutagenicity;

Category 2

Mutagenic effects have occurred in humans

##### (f) carcinogenicity;

Category 1B

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

Component	EU	UK	Germany	IARC
Formaldehyde	Carc Cat. 1B	Cat 3		Group 1

##### (g) reproductive toxicity;

No data available

Component	Test method	Test species / Duration	Study result
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1 ( 1.0 - 4.1 )	OECD Test Guideline 416	Rat / Inhalation 2 Generation	NOAEC = 1.3 mg/l (air)

Reproductive Effects

Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.

Developmental Effects

Developmental effects have occurred in experimental animals.

Teratogenicity

Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

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(h) STOT-single exposure;	Category 2
Results / Target organs	Optic nerve, Central nervous system (CNS).
(i) STOT-repeated exposure;	No data available
Target Organs	No information available.
(j) aspiration hazard;	No data available
Other Adverse Effects	Tumorigenic effects have been reported in experimental animals. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information
Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed	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. 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.
Endocrine Disrupting Properties	Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

<b>Ecotoxicity effects</b>	Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Contains a substance which is: Toxic to aquatic organisms.
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Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Formaldehyde	Leuciscus idus: LC50 = 15 mg/L 96h	EC50 = 20 mg/L 96h EC50 = 2 mg/L 48h	EC50 (72h) = 4.89 mg/L (Desmodesmus subspicatus)	
Methyl alcohol	Pimephales promelas: LC50 > 10000 mg/L 96h	EC50 > 10000 mg/L 24h		EC50 = 39000 mg/L 25 min EC50 = 40000 mg/L 15 min EC50 = 43000 mg/L 5 min

### Persistence and degradability

**Persistence** Miscible with water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

Component	Degradability
Formaldehyde 50-00-0 ( 3.7 - 10.0 )	Readily biodegradable (OECD guideline 301A, 301C and 301D) under aerobic and anaerobic conditions.
Methyl alcohol 67-56-1 ( 1.0 - 4.1 )	DT50 ~ 17.2d >94% after 20d

**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)
Formaldehyde	-0.35	No data available
Methyl alcohol	-0.74	<10 dimensionless

**Mobility in soil** 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.



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**Endocrine Disruptor Information** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

**Other adverse effects** No information available

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste treatment methods**  
**Waste from Residues/Unused Products**

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 Waste is classified as hazardous Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives on waste and hazardous waste Dispose of in accordance with local regulations

**Contaminated Packaging** Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

**Other Information** 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

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**IMDG/IMO** Not regulated

**Road and Rail Transport** Not regulated

**IATA** Not regulated

**Special Precautions for User** No special precautions required

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

**International Inventories** X = listed

Component	EINECS	TSCA	DSL	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	IECSC	AICS	KECL
Water	231-791-2	X	X	X	X		X	X	KE-35400
Formaldehyde	200-001-8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	KE-17074
Methyl alcohol	200-659-6	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	KE-23193

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	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Formaldehyde	5 tonne	50 tonne		
Methyl alcohol	500 tonne	5000 tonne		

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**Persistent Organic Pollutant**  
**Ozone Depletion Potential**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance  
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## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

### Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit

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

**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment

**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average

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

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**ADR** - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

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

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

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

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

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

**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

### **Key literature references and sources for data**

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

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

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**Revision Summary**

Not applicable.

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