

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

## Section 1 - Identification

### Product Identifier

<b>Product Name</b>	<u>o-Xylylene dichloride</u>
<b>CAS No</b>	612-12-4
<b>Synonyms</b>	1,2-Bis(chloromethyl)benzene
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C8 H8 Cl2
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	175.06
<b>Recommended Use</b>	Laboratory chemicals.
<b>Uses advised against</b>	No Information available

<b>Product Code</b>	<b>A12500</b>
<b>Address</b>	Thermo Fisher Scientific New Zealand Ltd 244 Bush Road, Albany, Auckland, New Zealand
<b>Emergency Tel.</b>	<b>CHEMTREC®</b> <b>09 980 6780 or +64 9 980 6780</b>
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## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

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### GHS Classification

#### Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### Health hazards

Acute Oral Toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists	Category 2
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1 B
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1

#### Environmental hazards

Acute aquatic toxicity	Category 1
Chronic aquatic toxicity	Category 1

**Label Elements****Signal Word****Danger****Hazard Statements**

H330 - Fatal if inhaled

H302 - Harmful if swallowed

H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

P284 - Wear respiratory protection

P273 - Avoid release to the environment

**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

P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

P391 - Collect spillage

**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 which do not result in classification**

Lachrymator (substance which increases the flow of tears)

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Benzene, 1,2-bis(chloromethyl)-	612-12-4	>95

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Description of first aid measures****New Zealand Emergency Tel.**CHEMTREC®  
09 980 6780 or +64 9 980 6780**Inhalation**

Remove from exposure, lie down. Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

	If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Immediate medical attention is required. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician immediately. Clean mouth with 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>	Causes burns by all exposure routes. . 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
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Dry chemical. Chemical foam. Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.

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

No information available.

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

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

### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), Phosgene, Hydrogen chloride gas.

### **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.

#### **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**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

#### **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

Do not breathe dust. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Handle product only in closed system or provide appropriate exhaust ventilation.

#### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

### Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

#### Storage Conditions

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

#### Incompatible Materials

Bases. Strong oxidizing agents. Alcohols. Amines. Metals.

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

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

### Control parameters

#### Exposure limits

The product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established.

#### Biological limit values

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

### Appropriate engineering 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

### Individual protection measures, such as 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, Neoprene, Natural rubber, PVC.	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 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>Physical State</b>	Solid	
<b>Appearance</b>	Beige	
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	No information available	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	53 - 57 °C / 127.4 - 134.6 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	239 - 241 °C / 462.2 - 465.8 °F	@ 760 mmHg
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Flash Point</b>	107 °C / 224.6 °F	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	450 °C / 842 °F	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Water Solubility</b>	hydrolysis	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	0.07 hPa @ 20 °C	
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>	No data available	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	No data available	

### Other information

<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C8 H8 Cl2
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	175.06
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable - Solid

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	No information available.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	May react with metals and lead to the formation of flammable hydrogen gas.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition, Excess heat, Incompatible products, Exposure to moisture.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Bases, Strong oxidizing agents, Alcohols, Amines, Metals.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ). Phosgene. Hydrogen chloride gas.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Acute Effects

### Information on likely routes of exposure

#### Product Information

<b>Inhalation</b>	Not an expected route of exposure.
<b>Eyes</b>	Avoid contact with eyes. Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness.
<b>Skin</b>	Avoid contact with skin. Causes burns. Skin Corrosion/Irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	May be harmful if swallowed.

### Numerical measures of toxicity

#### (a) acute toxicity;

<b>Oral</b>	Category 4
<b>Dermal</b>	No data available
<b>Inhalation</b>	Category 2

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Benzene, 1,2-bis(chloromethyl)-	2263 mg/kg ( Rat ) 603 mg/kg (Rat)		0.25 mg/l/4H (rat)

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 1 B

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 1

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

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

(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	No information available.
(j) aspiration hazard;	Not applicable Solid
Other Adverse Effects	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed**

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.

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity**

Aquatic ecotoxicity	Very 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.
Terrestrial ecotoxicity	There is no data for this product
Persistence and Degradability	
Persistence	Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.
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
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. 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. Large amounts will affect pH and harm aquatic organisms. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

### NZS 5433:2020

UN-No	UN2928
Proper Shipping Name	Toxic solid, corrosive, organic, n.o.s.
Technical Shipping Name	Benzene, 1,2-bis(chloromethyl)-
Hazard Class	6.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class	8
Packing Group	II

### IATA

UN-No	UN2928
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### IMDG/IMO

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Environmental hazards	Dangerous for the environment Product is a marine pollutant according to the criteria set by IMDG/IMO
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Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable, packaged goods
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Special Precautions	No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods regulations for additional information.
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Additional information	None known
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## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

#### 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 licensing 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

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH** Not applicable

**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
Benzene, 1,2-bis(chloromethyl)-	612-12-4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
Benzene, 1,2-bis(chloromethyl)-	612-12-4	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

**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**

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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

#### Training Advice

Chemical incident response training.

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Revision Summary	Not applicable

#### Disclaimer

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