

according to Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended

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# SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

#### 1.1. Product identifier

Product Description: <u>Ethyl formate</u>

Cat No. : A11113

**Synonyms** Formic acid ethyl ester; Ethyl methanoate

 Index No
 607-015-00-7

 CAS No
 109-94-4

 EC No
 203-721-0

 Molecular Formula
 C3 H6 O2

REACH registration number -

#### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against No Information available

#### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

Avocado Research Chemicals Ltd. (Part of Thermo Fisher Scientific)

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1.4. Emergency telephone number

For information **US** call: 001-800-227-6701 / **Europe** call: +32 14 57 52 11 Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99 **CHEMTREC** Tel. No. **US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**:001-703-527-3887

## **SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

## CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567

#### **Physical hazards**

Flammable liquids Category 2 (H225)

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#### **Health hazards**

Acute oral toxicity

Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)

Category 4 (H302)

Category 4 (H332)

Category 2 (H319)

Category 3 (H335)

#### **Environmental hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

#### 2.2. Label elements



#### Signal Word

#### Danger

#### **Hazard Statements**

H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

H302 + H332 - Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled

#### **Precautionary Statements**

P301 + P330 + P331 - IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting

P312 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell

P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

P280 - Wear eye protection/ face protection

P303 + P361 + P353 - IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower

P210 - Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking

#### 2.3. Other hazards

Substance is not considered persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) / very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB)

Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## **SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

#### 3.1. Substances

Component	CAS No	EC No	Weight %	CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Ethyl formate	109-94-4	EEC No. 203-721-0	>95	Flam. Liq. 2 (H225) Acute Tox. 4 (H302) Acute Tox. 4 (H332) Eye Irrit. 2 (H319) STOT SE 3 (H335)

**REACH registration number** 

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

**General Advice** If symptoms persist, call a physician.

Eye Contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get

medical attention.

**Skin Contact** Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists,

call a physician.

**Ingestion** Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.

**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if

symptoms occur.

**Self-Protection of the First Aider** Use personal protective equipment as required.

#### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

None reasonably foreseeable. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause

symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

#### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

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

## **SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO2), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.

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

Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.

#### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Risk of ignition. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Containers may explode when heated. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition. Extremely flammable.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO2).

#### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

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**

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

#### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Should not be released into the environment.

#### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

#### 6.4. Reference to other sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## **SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE**

## 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use only non-sparking tools. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

## **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Flammables area.

Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510 Class 3 Storage Class (LGK) (Germany)

#### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Use in laboratories

## **SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

## 8.1. Control parameters

#### **Exposure limits**

List source(s): **UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020. **IRE** - 2021 Code of Practice for the Chemical Agents Regulations, Schedule 1. Published by the Health and Safety Authority

Component	The United Kingdom	European Union	Ireland
Ethyl formate	STEL: 150 ppm 15 min		TWA: 100 ppm 8 hr.
·	STEL: 462 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min		TWA: 300 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr.
	TWA: 100 ppm 8 hr		STEL: 100 ppm 15 min
	TWA: 308 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr		• •

## **Biological limit values**

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

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) / Derived Minimum Effect Level (DMEL)

See table for values

Component	Acute effects local (Dermal)	Acute effects systemic (Dermal)	Chronic effects local (Dermal)	Chronic effects systemic (Dermal)	
Ethyl formate				DNEL = 15.8mg/kg	
109-94-4 ( >95 )				bw/day	

Component	Acute effects local (Inhalation)	Acute effects systemic (Inhalation)	Chronic effects local (Inhalation)	Chronic effects systemic (Inhalation)	
Ethyl formate 109-94-4 ( >95 )				DNEL = 11mg/m <sup>3</sup>	

#### **Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)**

See values below.

ſ	Component	Fresh water	Fresh water	Water Intermittent	Microorganisms in	Soil (Agriculture)
L			sediment		sewage treatment	
ſ	Ethyl formate	PNEC = 0.1mg/L	PNEC = 1.28mg/kg	PNEC = 1mg/L	PNEC = 55.1mg/L	PNEC =
	109-94-4 ( >95 )	-	sediment dw		_	0.197mg/kg soil dw

Component	Marine water	Marine water sediment	Marine water intermittent	Food chain	Air
Ethyl formate	PNEC = 10µg/L	PNEC =	PNEC = 0.1mg/L		
109-94-4 ( >95 )		0.128mg/kg			
		sediment dw			

## 8.2. Exposure controls

#### **Engineering Measures**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. 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 (European standard - EN 166)

Hand Protection Protective gloves

١	Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments	
١	Nitrile rubber	See manufacturers	-	EN 374	(minimum requirement)	
	Viton (R)	recommendations				
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**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.

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

and maintained properly

Large scale/emergency use Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits

are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced

Recommended Filter type: low boiling organic solvent Type AX Brown conforming to

EN371

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149:2001 approved respirator if exposure Small scale/Laboratory use

limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

Recommended half mask:- Valve filtering: EN405; or; Half mask: EN140; plus filter, EN

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

**Environmental exposure controls** No information available.

## **SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

#### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

**Physical State** Liquid

Colorless **Appearance** 

Petroleum distillates Odor **Odor Threshold** No data available Melting Point/Range -80 °C / -112 °F **Softening Point** No data available

**Boiling Point/Range** 54 °C / 129.2 °F @ 760 mmHg Flammability (liquid) Highly flammable On basis of test data

Flammability (solid,gas) Not applicable Liquid

**Explosion Limits** Lower 2.7 vol%

**Upper** 16.5 vol%

Flash Point -20 °C / -4 °F **Method -** CC (closed cup)

**Autoignition Temperature** 550 - °C / 1022 - °F

**Decomposition Temperature** No data available

pН 4.1 (@ 20) 5 g/l aq.sol. 20°C

Viscosity 0.4 cP at 20 °C Water Solubility 110 g/L (18°C)

Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

log Pow Component Ethyl formate 0.23

**Vapor Pressure** 256 mbar @ 20 °C

**Density / Specific Gravity** 0.917

**Bulk Density** Not applicable Liquid **Vapor Density** 2.56 (Air = 1.0)

**Particle characteristics** (liquid) Not applicable

#### 9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula C3 H6 O2 **Molecular Weight** 74.08

**Explosive Properties** Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1. Reactivity None known, based on information available

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

#### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

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Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions**None under normal processing.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Incompatible products. Excess heat. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and

sources of ignition.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents.

#### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO2).

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## 11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

#### **Product Information**

(a) acute toxicity;

Oral Category 4

**Dermal** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Inhalation Category 4

Component LD50 Oral		LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation		
Ethyl formate	LD50 = 1850 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 > 5000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	-		

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 2

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

**Respiratory Skin**No data available
No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

Not mutagenic in AMES Test

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; Category 3

Results / Target organs Respiratory system.

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; No data available

delayed

Symptoms / effects,both acute and Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness,

tiredness, nausea and vomiting.

#### 11.2. Information on other hazards

**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

12.1. Toxicity
Ecotoxicity effects

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae
Ethyl formate	Onchorhynchus mykiss:	EC50 = 120 mg/L/24h	
	LC50=230 mg/L/96h		

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

**Persistence** 

Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

#### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Ethyl formate	0.23	No data available

12.4. Mobility in soil

The product contains volatile organic compounds (VOC) which will evaporate easily from all

surfaces Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility. Disperses rapidly in

air

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB

assessment

Substance is not considered persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) / very persistent

and very bioaccumulative (vPvB).

12.6. Endocrine disrupting

properties

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** 

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

12.7. Other adverse effects

Persistent Organic Pollutant Ozone Depletion Potential This product does not contain any known or suspected substance This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste from Residues/Unused

Products

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. Empty containers

retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Keep product and

empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

European Waste Catalogue (EWC)

According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but

application specific.

Other Information

Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not flush to sewer. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with

local regulations.

## **SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

#### IMDG/IMO

UN1190 14.1. UN number

ETHYL FORMATE 14.2. UN proper shipping name

14.3. Transport hazard class(es) 3 14.4. Packing group II

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14.1. UN number UN1190

14.2. UN proper shipping name ETHYL FORMATE

14.3. Transport hazard class(es) 3 14.4. Packing group П

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14.1. UN number UN1190

ETHYL FORMATE 14.2. UN proper shipping name

14.3. Transport hazard class(es) 3 II 14.4. Packing group

14.5. Environmental hazards No hazards identified

14.6. Special precautions for user No special precautions required.

14.7. Maritime transport in bulk Not applicable, packaged goods

according to IMO instruments

## **SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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

#### International Inventories

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

Component	CAS No	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	IECSC	TCSI	KECL	ENCS	ISHL
Ethyl formate	109-94-4	203-721-0	-	-	Х	X	KE-17242	X	Χ
Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA In	ventory	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS

	Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
E	Ethyl formate	109-94-4	Х	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	Х

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed KECL - NIER number or KE number (http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do)

#### Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) -	REACH (1907/2006) -	REACH Regulation (EC
		Annex XIV - Substances	Annex XVII - Restrictions	1907/2006) article 59 -
		Subject to Authorization	on Certain Dangerous	Candidate List of
			Substances	Substances of Very High
				Concern (SVHC)
Ethyl formate	109-94-4	-	Use restricted. See item	-

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	(see link for restriction	
	details)	

#### **REACH links**

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

#### Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC)

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) -	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) -	
		Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident	Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report	
		Notification	Requirements	
Ethyl formate	109-94-4	Not applicable	Not applicable	

Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals

Not applicable

Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)? Not applicable

Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work .

#### **National Regulations**

UK - Take note of Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 and 2005 Amendment

WGK Classification See table for values

Component	Germany - Water Classification (AwSV)	Germany - TA-Luft Class	
Ethyl formate	WGK1		

Component	France - INRS (Tables of occupational diseases)
Ethyl formate	Tableaux des maladies professionnelles (TMP) - RG 84

Component	Switzerland - Ordinance on the Reduction of Risk from handling of hazardous substances preparation (SR 814.81)	Switzerland - Ordinance on Incentive Taxes on Volatile Organic Compounds (OVOC)	Switzerland - Ordinance of the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure
Ethyl formate 109-94-4 ( >95 )		Group I	

#### 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment/Report (CSA/CSR) has not been conducted

## **SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

## Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3

H302 - Harmful if swallowed

H332 - Harmful if inhaled

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor

#### Legend

CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service

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

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic 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

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

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%

NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

TWA - Time Weighted Average

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer

Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

EC50 - Effective Concentration 50% POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

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

#### **Training Advice**

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

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.

Fire prevention and fighting, identifying hazards and risks, static electricity, explosive atmospheres posed by vapours and dusts. Chemical incident response training.

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