

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

## Section 1 - Identification

**Product Name** 2-Methylbutyric acid

**CAS No** 116-53-0

**Product Code** **L06358**

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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 4   |
| Acute Dermal Toxicity             | Category 4   |
| Skin Corrosion/Irritation         | Category 1 B |
| Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation | Category 1   |

**Environmental hazards**  
No hazards identified

### Label Elements



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Corrosion

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

H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

H302 + H312 - Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin

Combustible liquid

**Precautionary Statements**

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

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

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

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

P330 - Rinse mouth

P331 - Do NOT induce vomiting

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

P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

P370 + P378 - In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish

P403 + P235 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool

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

**Other information**

Stench

Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

| Component                | CAS No   | Weight % |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Butanoic acid, 2-methyl- | 116-53-0 | 98       |

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**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.

**Ingestion**

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Drink plenty of water. Call a physician immediately. If possible drink milk afterwards.

**Skin Contact**

Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Eye Contact**

Immediate medical attention is required. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.

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| <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> | Difficulty in breathing. Causes burns by all exposure routes. . Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated |
| <b>Notes to Physician</b>                  | Treat symptomatically.   |

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Dry chemical. Alcohol resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.

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

No information available.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

### Decomposition Temperature

> 400°C

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Combustible material. Flammable. Containers may explode when heated.

### 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

### Emergency procedures

Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

### Environmental Precautions

See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

#### Clean-up methods - small spillage

Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel, acid binder, universal binder, sawdust). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Do not let this chemical enter the environment. Remove all sources of ignition.

#### 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 breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Handle product only in closed system or provide appropriate exhaust ventilation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

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

Keep refrigerated. Keep container tightly closed. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Corrosives area.

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

AS 1940-2004 - The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

**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

**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 recommendations | -               | AS/NZS 2161     | (minimum requirement) |
| Neoprene       |                                   |                 |                 |                       |
| 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.

**Skin and body protection**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

**Respiratory Protection**

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

**Recommended Filter type:**

Organic gases and vapours filter Type A Brown conforming to EN14387 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

**Recommended half mask:-**

Valve filtering: EN405 or Half mask: EN140 plus filter, EN 141 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)  
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** No information available.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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|--|--------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Appearance</b>                              | Clear                                |  |
| <b>Physical State</b>                          | Liquid                               |  |
| <b>Odor</b>                                    | pungent                              |  |
| <b>Odor Threshold</b>                          | No data available                    |  |
| <b>pH</b>                                      | No information available             |  |
| <b>Melting Point/Range</b>                     | -70 °C / -94 °F                      |  |
| <b>Softening Point</b>                         | No data available                    |  |
| <b>Boiling Point/Range</b>                     | 176 - 177 °C / 348.8 - 350.6 °F      |  |
| <b>Flash Point</b>                             | 77 °C / 170.6 °F                     | <b>Method -</b> No information available |
| <b>Evaporation Rate</b>                        | No data available                    |  |
| <b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>                | Not applicable                       | Liquid                                   |
| <b>Explosion Limits</b>                        | <b>Lower</b> 1.2<br><b>Upper</b> 5.7 |  |
| <b>Vapor Pressure</b>                          | 0.5 hPa @ 20 °C                      |  |
| <b>Vapor Density</b>                           | No data available                    | (Air = 1.0)                              |
| <b>Specific Gravity / Density</b>              | 0.936                                |  |
| <b>Bulk Density</b>                            | Not applicable                       | Liquid                                   |
| <b>Water Solubility</b>                        | 45 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>                       |  |
| Butanoic acid, 2-methyl-                       | 1.8                                  |  |
| <b>Autoignition Temperature</b>                | 495 °C / 923 °F                      |  |
| <b>Decomposition Temperature</b>               | > 400°C                              |  |
| <b>Viscosity</b>                               | 2.1 mPa s at 20 °C                   |  |
| <b>Explosive Properties</b>                    |                                      | explosive air/vapour mixtures possible   |
| <b>Oxidizing Properties</b>                    | No information available             |  |
| <b>Other information</b>                       |                                      |  |
| <b>Molecular Formula</b>                       | C5 H10 O2                            |  |
| <b>Molecular Weight</b>                        | 102.13                               |  |

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

|   |  |
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| <b>Reactivity</b>                       | None known, based on information available   |
| <b>Stability</b>                        | Stable under normal conditions.  |
| <b>Conditions to Avoid</b>              | Incompatible products, Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. |
| <b>Incompatible Materials</b>           | Bases, Reducing Agent.   |
| <b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b> | Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ).                                 |
| <b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>         | No information available.  |

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Information on Toxicological Effects

## Product Information

## (a) acute toxicity;

Oral

Category 4

Dermal

Category 4

Inhalation

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

| Component                | LD50 Oral                 | LD50 Dermal  | LC50 Inhalation |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Butanoic acid, 2-methyl- | LD50 = 1870 µL/kg ( Rat ) | LD50 = 1367 mg/kg ( Rabbit )<br>LD50 = 2228 mg/kg ( Rabbit ) |                 |

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 1 B

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 1

## (d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory

No data available

Skin

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; No data available

## 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

Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

## Ecotoxicity effects

Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

| Component                | Freshwater Fish                             | Water Flea | Freshwater Algae | Microtox |
|--------------------------|---|------------|------------------|----------|
| Butanoic acid, 2-methyl- | LC50: > 1000 mg/L, 96h static (Danio rerio) |            |                  |          |

## Persistence and Degradability

Readily biodegradable

## Persistence

Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

## Bioaccumulative Potential

Bioaccumulation is unlikely

| Component                | log Pow | Bioconcentration factor (BCF) |
|--------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|
| Butanoic acid, 2-methyl- | 1.8     | No data available             |

## Mobility

The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. Will likely be mobile in the

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| <b>Endocrine Disruptor Information</b> | environment due to its water solubility Highly mobile in soils            |
| <b>Persistent Organic Pollutant</b>    | This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors |
| <b>Ozone Depletion Potential</b>       | This product does not contain any known or suspected substance            |

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

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| <b>Waste from Residues/Unused Products</b> | 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. |
| <b>Contaminated Packaging</b>              | Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.  |
| <b>Other Information</b>                   | Chemical wastes should be disposed through a licensed commercial waste collection service. 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 flush to sewer. Large amounts will affect pH and harm aquatic organisms.             |

## Section 14 - Transport Information

### IMDG/IMO

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <b>UN-No</b>                   | UN3265                                    |
| <b>Proper Shipping Name</b>    | Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. |
| <b>Technical Shipping Name</b> | Butanoic acid, 2-methyl-                  |
| <b>Hazard Class</b>            | 8   |
| <b>Packing Group</b>           | II  |

### ADG

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <b>UN-No</b>                   | UN3265                                    |
| <b>Proper Shipping Name</b>    | Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. |
| <b>Technical Shipping Name</b> | Butanoic acid, 2-methyl-                  |
| <b>Hazard Class</b>            | 8   |
| <b>Packing Group</b>           | II  |

### IATA

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| <b>UN-No</b>                   | UN3265                                    |
| <b>Proper Shipping Name</b>    | Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. |
| <b>Technical Shipping Name</b> | Butanoic acid, 2-methyl-                  |
| <b>Hazard Class</b>            | 8   |
| <b>Packing Group</b>           | II  |

|                               |                                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Environmental hazards</b>  | No hazards identified           |
| <b>Special Precautions</b>    | No special precautions required |
| <b>Additional information</b> | None known                      |

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| <b>National Regulations</b> | 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 |
|-------------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Butanoic acid, 2-methyl- - 116-53-0 | 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 licensing 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     |
|--------------------------|------|-------|-----------|--------|------|-----|------|-------|------|------|-------|----------|
| Butanoic acid, 2-methyl- | X    | X     | 204-145-2 | -      | X    | X   | -    | X     | X    | X    | X     | KE-23544 |

**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 | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - |
|-----------|--------|----------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
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|                          |          |        | Substances (RoHS) | Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification | Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements |
|--------------------------|----------|--------|-------------------|---|--|
| Butanoic acid, 2-methyl- | 116-53-0 | Listed | Not applicable    | Not applicable  | Not applicable                                       |

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Not applicable

## Section 16 - Other Information

### Legend

|  |  |
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| <b>AICS</b> - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances  | <b>NZIoC</b> - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals  |
| <b>TSCA</b> - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory                      | <b>EINECS/ELINCS</b> - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances |
| <b>DSL/NDL</b> - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List                      | <b>ENCS</b> - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances  |
| <b>IECSC</b> - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances                                     | <b>KECL</b> - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances  |
| <b>PICCS</b> - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances                            | <b>CAS</b> - Chemical Abstracts Service  |
| <b>TWA</b> - Time Weighted Average   | <b>ACGIH</b> - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists   |
| <b>IARC</b> - International Agency for Research on Cancer  | Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)   |
| <b>ICAO/IATA</b> - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association | <b>IMO/IMDG</b> - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code                            |
| <b>MARPOL</b> - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships                  | <b>ADG</b> Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail   |
| <b>NZS 5433:2012</b> - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land  | <b>OECD</b> - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development   |
| <b>LD50</b> - Lethal Dose 50%  | <b>LC50</b> - Lethal Concentration 50%   |
| <b>EC50</b> - Effective Concentration 50%  | <b>ATE</b> - Acute Toxicity Estimate   |
| <b>WEL</b> - Workplace Exposure Limit  | <b>RPE</b> - Respiratory Protective Equipment  |
| <b>DNEL</b> - Derived No Effect Level  | <b>NOEC</b> - No Observed Effect Concentration   |
| <b>POW</b> - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water   | <b>BCF</b> - Bioconcentration factor   |
| <b>vPvB</b> - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative  | <b>PBT</b> - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic  |
| <b>VOC</b> - (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 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.

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**Revision Summary** Not applicable.

**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).**

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