

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

## Section 1 - Identification

### Product Identifier

<b>Product Name</b>	<b><u>Methyl 4-hydroxybenzoate</u></b>
<b>CAS No</b>	99-76-3
<b>Synonyms</b>	4-Hydroxybenzoic acid methyl ester; Methyl paraben; Metoxyde
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	152.15
<b>Recommended Use</b>	Laboratory chemicals.
<b>Uses advised against</b>	No Information available

<b>Product Code</b>	<b>L01132</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

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Skin Sensitization	Category 1

#### Environmental hazards

Chronic aquatic toxicity	Category 3
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### Label Elements

**Signal Word****Warning****Hazard Statements**

H412 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction

**Precautionary Statements****Storage**

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

**Disposal**

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

**Other hazards which do not result in classification**

Contains a known or suspected endocrine disruptor

Contains a substance on the National Authorities Endocrine Disruptor Lists

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Methyl p-hydroxybenzoate	99-76-3	> 98.5

## 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 to fresh air. If symptoms persist, call a physician. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

**Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**Skin Contact**

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**Ingestion**

Do NOT induce vomiting. If symptoms persist, call a physician.

**Self-Protection of the First Aider**

No special precautions required.

**First Aid Facilities**

Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.

**Most important symptoms and effects**

No information available.

**Notes to Physician**

Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

### 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.

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

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

### 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

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing.

#### Environmental Precautions

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

#### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

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

#### 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

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

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

#### Incompatible Materials

Strong oxidizing agents. Strong bases.

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

None under normal use conditions.

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

**Eye Protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or 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
Disposable gloves.	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.

**Skin and body protection** Long sleeved clothing

**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:** Particle filter (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Environmental exposure controls** Prevent product from entering drains.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

**Physical State** Powder Solid

**Appearance** White

**Odor** Slight

**Odor Threshold** No data available

pH	No information available	
Melting Point/Range	125 - 127 °C / 257 - 260.6 °F	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	270 - 280 °C / 518 - 536 °F	
Flammability (liquid)	Not applicable	Solid
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available	
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Flash Point	No information available	<b>Method -</b> No information available
Autoignition Temperature	600 °C / 1112 °F	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Water Solubility	Slightly soluble	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Component	<b>log Pow</b>	
Methyl p-hydroxybenzoate	1.96	
Vapor Pressure	negligible	
Density / Specific Gravity	No data available	
Bulk Density	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Particle characteristics	No data available	
<b>Other information</b>		
Molecular Formula	C8H8O3	
Molecular Weight	152.15	
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable - Solid	

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	No information available.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid dust formation, Incompatible products, Excess heat.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ).

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Acute Effects

#### Information on likely routes of exposure

Product Information	No acute toxicity information is available for this product
Inhalation	Avoid breathing dust or spray mist.
Eyes	Not an expected route of exposure.
Skin	No known effect based on information supplied.
Ingestion	No known effect based on information supplied.

**Numerical measures of toxicity**

- (a) acute toxicity;  
Oral Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
Dermal No data available  
Inhalation No data available
- (b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available
- (c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available
- (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; Not applicable  
Solid

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

No information available.

**Section 12 - Ecological Information****Ecotoxicity****Aquatic ecotoxicity**

This product contains the following substance(s) which are hazardous for the environment. Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Methyl p-hydroxybenzoate	LC50: 50-100mg/L/96h (Leuciscus idus)	-	-	-

**Terrestrial ecotoxicity** There is no data for this product

**Persistence and Degradability** No information available

<b>Persistence</b>	Persistence is unlikely.
<b>Degradation in sewage treatment plant</b>	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)
Methyl p-hydroxybenzoate	1.96	No data available

**Mobility** No information available. .

**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 let this chemical enter the environment. Do not empty into drains.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

**NZS 5433:2020** Not regulated

**IATA** Not regulated

**IMDG/IMO** Not regulated

**Environmental hazards** No hazards identified

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable, packaged goods

**Special Precautions** No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods regulations for additional information.

**Additional information** None known

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

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#### 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/NDL), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	KECL	IECSC	TCSI
Methyl p-hydroxybenzoate	99-76-3	X	X	-	-	-	KE-20379	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
Methyl p-hydroxybenzoate	99-76-3	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/NDL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic

**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



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

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

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## Revision Summary

Not applicable

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