

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

## Section 1 - Identification

Product Name	<u>Octanoic acid</u>
CAS No	124-07-2
Synonyms	Caprylic acid

Product Code	<b>A11149</b>
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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**

Skin Corrosion/Irritation  
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Category 1 C  
Category 1

**Environmental hazards**

Chronic aquatic toxicity

Category 3

### Label Elements



Corrosion

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

H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

H412 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

**Precautionary Statements**

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

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

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

P301 + P330 + P331 - IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. 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

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

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

**Other information****Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Octanoic acid	124-07-2	>95

**Section 4 - First Aid Measures****Inhalation**

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. Remove from exposure, lie down. Call a physician immediately.

**Ingestion**

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Clean mouth with water. Call a physician immediately.

**Skin Contact**

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Call a physician immediately.

**Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required. Keep eye wide open while rinsing.

**General Advice**

Immediate medical attention is required. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

<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. . 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

CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.

### 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>), Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes.

### 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. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

### Emergency procedures

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

### Environmental Precautions

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information. Avoid release to the environment. Collect spillage.

### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

#### Clean-up methods - small spillage

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

#### 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**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray.

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

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

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

## 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**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. 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
Natural rubber	See manufacturers	-	AS/NZS 2161	(minimum requirement)
Butyl rubber	recommendations			
Nitrile rubber				
Neoprene				
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**

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:**

Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 Acid gases filter Type E Yellow 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

Appearance	Light yellow	
Physical State	Liquid	
Odor	pungent	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
pH	3.5	0.5 g/L aq.sol
Melting Point/Range	16 - 16.5 °C / 60.8 - 61.7 °F	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	237 °C / 458.6 °F	@ 760 mmHg
Flash Point	130 °C / 266 °F	<b>Method -</b> No information available
Evaporation Rate	No data available	
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable	Liquid
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Vapor Pressure	0.05 hPa @ 20 °C	
Vapor Density	5.0	(Air = 1.0)
Specific Gravity / Density	0.910	
Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid
Water Solubility	0.68 g/l	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Component	<b>log Pow</b>	
Octanoic acid	3.05	
Autoignition Temperature	440 - °C / 824 - °F	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	No data available	
Explosive Properties	No information available	
Oxidizing Properties	No information available	
<b>Other information</b>		
Molecular Formula	C8 H16 O2	
Molecular Weight	144.21	

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products, Excess heat.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ). Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Information on Toxicological Effects

**Product Information** No acute toxicity information is available for this product

**(a) acute toxicity;****Oral**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Dermal**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Inhalation**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Octanoic acid	LD50 = 10080 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 > 5 g/kg ( Rabbit )	

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** Category 1 C

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Category 1

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;****Respiratory**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Skin**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(f) carcinogenicity;**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

**(g) reproductive toxicity;**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(h) STOT-single exposure;**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Target Organs**

None known.

**(j) aspiration hazard;**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Other Adverse Effects**

See actual entry in RTECS for complete information The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

**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**

Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Octanoic acid	LC50: = 110 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Brachydanio rerio) LC50: = 310 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Oryzias latipes)	EC50 = 170 mg/L/24h		

**Persistence and Degradability****Persistence**

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

**Bioaccumulative Potential**

Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
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Octanoic acid	3.05	No data available
<b>Mobility</b>	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	
<b>Endocrine Disruptor Information</b>	This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors	
<b>Persistent Organic Pollutant</b>	This product does not contain any known or suspected substance	
<b>Ozone Depletion Potential</b>	This product does not contain any known or suspected substance	

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

<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>	Octanoic acid
<b>Hazard Class</b>	8
<b>Packing Group</b>	III

### ADG

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### IATA

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<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

**National Regulations**

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
Octanoic acid - 124-07-2	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
Octanoic acid	X	X	204-677-5	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	KE-26628

**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**

Take note that wastes may be subject to export, import, or transit controls pursuant to the Basel convention and/or local regulations implementing the Basel convention.

Component	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)	Australian Hazardous Waste Act - Categories of Wastes to Be Controlled
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Octanoic acid - 124-07-2	Annex I - Y34	Y34 solid or solution
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Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements
Octanoic acid	124-07-2	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

#### Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Octanoic acid	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

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

## Section 16 - Other Information

### Legend

<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 Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)
<b>IARC</b> - International Agency for Research on Cancer	<b>IMO/IMDG</b> - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
<b>ICAO/IATA</b> - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association	<b>ADG</b> Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
<b>MARPOL</b> - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	<b>OECD</b> - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>NZS 5433:2012</b> - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land	<b>LC50</b> - Lethal Concentration 50%
<b>LD50</b> - Lethal Dose 50%	<b>ATE</b> - Acute Toxicity Estimate
<b>EC50</b> - Effective Concentration 50%	<b>RPE</b> - Respiratory Protective Equipment
<b>WEL</b> - Workplace Exposure Limit	<b>NOEC</b> - No Observed Effect Concentration
<b>DNEL</b> - Derived No Effect Level	<b>BCF</b> - Bioconcentration factor
<b>POW</b> - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water	<b>PBT</b> - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic
<b>vPvB</b> - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative	
<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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**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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