

# N-BUTYRIC ACID

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## CAUTIONARY RESPONSE INFORMATION

Common Synonyms	Liquid	Colorless	Rancid butter odor
		Floats and mixes with water. Freezing point is 23°F.	
<p>Restrict access. Avoid contact with liquid and vapor. Wear rubber overclothing (including gloves). Call fire department. Notify local health and pollution control agencies. Protect water intakes.</p>			
Fire	Combustible. Extinguish with dry chemicals, alcohol foam, or carbon dioxide. Water may be ineffective on fire.		
<p><b>Exposure</b> CALL FOR MEDICAL AID.  VAPOR Irritating to eyes, nose and throat. If inhaled will cause coughing or difficult breathing. If in eyes, hold eyelids open and flush with plenty of water. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.  LIQUID Will burn skin and eyes. If swallowed will cause nausea and vomiting. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Flush affected areas with plenty of water. IF IN EYES, hold eyelids open and flush with plenty of water. IF SWALLOWED and victim is CONSCIOUS, have victim drink water or milk and have victim induce vomiting. IF SWALLOWED and victim is UNCONSCIOUS OR HAVING CONVULSIONS, do nothing except keep victim warm.</p>			
Water Pollution	Dangerous to aquatic life in high concentrations. May be dangerous if it enters water intakes. Notify local health and wildlife officials. Notify operators of nearby water intakes.		

## 1. CORRECTIVE RESPONSE ACTIONS

Dilute and disperse  
Stop discharge

## 2. CHEMICAL DESIGNATIONS

- 2.1 CG Compatibility Group: 4; Organic acids  
2.2 Formula: CH3CH2CH2COOH  
2.3 IMO/UN Designation: Not listed  
2.4 DOT ID No.: 2820  
2.5 CAS Registry No.: 107-92-6  
2.6 NAERG Guide No.: 153  
2.7 Standard Industrial Trade Classification: 51375

## 3. HEALTH HAZARDS

- 3.1 Personal Protective Equipment: Self-contained breathing apparatus; rubber gloves; vapor- proof plastic goggles; impervious apron and boots  
3.2 Symptoms Following Exposure: Inhalation causes irritation of mucous membrane and respiratory tract; may cause nausea and vomiting. Ingestion causes irritation of mouth and stomach. Contact with eyes may cause serious injury. Contact with skin may cause burns; chemical is readily absorbed through the skin and may cause damage by this route.  
3.3 Treatment of Exposure: INHALATION: remove victim to fresh air; give oxygen if breathing is difficult; call a physician. INGESTION: give large amount of water and induce vomiting. EYES: Irrigate with water for 15 min. and get medical attention. SKIN: flush affected areas immediately and thoroughly with water.  
3.4 TLV-TWA: Not listed.  
3.5 TLV-STEL: Not listed.  
3.6 TLV-Ceiling: Not listed.  
3.7 Toxicity by Ingestion: Grade 2; oral LD<sub>50</sub> = 2,940 mg/kg (rat)  
3.8 Toxicity by Inhalation: Currently not available.  
3.9 Chronic Toxicity: Currently not available.  
3.10 Vapor (Gas) Irritant Characteristics: Vapors cause moderate irritation such that personnel will find high concentrations unpleasant. The effect is temporary.  
3.11 Liquid or Solid Characteristics: Fairly severe skin irritant. May cause pain and second-degree burns after a few minutes' contact.  
3.12 Odor Threshold: 0.001 ppm  
3.13 IDLH Value: Not listed.  
3.14 OSHA PEL-TWA: Not listed.  
3.15 OSHA PEL-STEL: Not listed.  
3.16 OSHA PEL-Ceiling: Not listed.  
3.17 EPA AERG: Not listed

## 4. FIRE HAZARDS

- 4.1 Flash Point: 166°F O.C. 160°F C.C.  
4.2 Flammable Limits in Air: 2.19%-13.4%  
4.3 Fire Extinguishing Agents: Dry chemical, "alcohol" foam, carbon dioxide  
4.4 Fire Extinguishing Agents Not to Be Used: Water may  
4.5 Special Hazards of Combustion Products: Currently not available  
4.6 Behavior in Fire: Currently not available  
4.7 Auto Ignition Temperature: 842°F  
4.8 Electrical Hazards: Currently not available  
4.9 Burning Rate: 2.7 mm/min.  
4.10 Adiabatic Flame Temperature: Currently not available  
4.11 Stoichiometric Air to Fuel Ratio: 23.8 (calc.)  
4.12 Flame Temperature: Currently not available  
4.13 Combustion Molar Ratio (Reactant to Product): 8.0 (calc.)  
4.14 Minimum Oxygen Concentration for Combustion (MOCC): Not listed

## 5. CHEMICAL REACTIVITY

- 5.1 Reactivity with Water: No reaction  
5.2 Reactivity with Common Materials: May attack aluminum or other light metals with formation of flammable hydrogen gas.  
5.3 Stability During Transport: Stable  
5.4 Neutralizing Agents for Acids and Caustics: Flush with water  
5.5 Polymerization: Not pertinent  
5.6 Inhibitor of Polymerization: Not pertinent

## 6. WATER POLLUTION

- 6.1 Aquatic Toxicity:  
400 ppm\*/lethal/fresh water  
200 ppm/24 hr/bluegill/TL\*/fresh water  
\*Time period not specified.  
6.2 Waterfowl Toxicity: Currently not available  
6.3 Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD): 1,150 lb/lb, 5 days; 1,450 lb/lb, 20 days  
6.4 Food Chain Concentration Potential: Seafood may be tainted following a spill but chemical does not concentrate in food chain.  
6.5 GESAMP Hazard Profile:  
Bioaccumulation: 0  
Damage to living resources: 1  
Human Oral hazard: 1  
Human Contact hazard: II  
Reduction of amenities: XX

## 7. SHIPPING INFORMATION

- 7.1 Grades of Purity: Commercial, 99.5+%
- 7.2 Storage Temperature: Ambient
- 7.3 Inert Atmosphere: No requirement
- 7.4 Venting: Open
- 7.5 IMO Pollution Category: B
- 7.6 Ship Type: 3
- 7.7 Barge Hull Type: Currently not available

## 8. HAZARD CLASSIFICATIONS

- 8.1 49 CFR Category: Corrosive material

- 8.2 49 CFR Class: 8

- 8.3 49 CFR Package Group: III

- 8.4 Marine Pollutant: No

- 8.5 NFPA Hazard Classification:

Category	Classification
Health Hazard (Blue).....	2
Flammability (Red).....	2
Instability (Yellow).....	0

- 8.6 EPA Reportable Quantity: 5000 pounds

- 8.7 EPA Pollution Category: D

- 8.8 RCRA Waste Number: Not listed

- 8.9 EPA FWCRA List: Yes

## 9. PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- 9.1 Physical State at 15°C and 1 atm: Liquid

- 9.2 Molecular Weight: 88.1

- 9.3 Boiling Point at 1 atm: 327°F = 164°C = 437°K

- 9.4 Freezing Point: 23°F = -5°C = 268°K

- 9.5 Critical Temperature: 671.0°F = 355°C = 628.2°K

- 9.6 Critical Pressure: 764 psia = 52 atm = 5.3 MN/m<sup>2</sup>

- 9.7 Specific Gravity: 0.958 at 20°C

- 9.8 Liquid Surface Tension: 26.74 dynes/cm = 0.02674 N/m at 20°C

- 9.9 Liquid Water Interfacial Tension: Not pertinent

- 9.10 Vapor (Gas) Specific Gravity: 3.0

- 9.11 Ratio of Specific Heats of Vapor (Gas): 1.079 at 20°C

- 9.12 Latent Heat of Vaporization: 167 Btu/lb = 92.7 cal/g = 3.88 X 10<sup>5</sup> J/kg

- 9.13 Heat of Combustion: -10,620 Btu/lb = -5,900 cal/g = -247 X 10<sup>5</sup> J/kg

- 9.14 Heat of Decomposition: Not pertinent

- 9.15 Heat of Solution: -82 Btu/lb = -45 cal/g = -1.9 X 10<sup>5</sup> J/kg

- 9.16 Heat of Polymerization: Not pertinent

- 9.17 Heat of Fusion: 30.04 cal/g

- 9.18 Limiting Value: Currently not available

- 9.19 Reid Vapor Pressure: Low

## NOTES

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9.20 SATURATED LIQUID DENSITY		9.21 LIQUID HEAT CAPACITY		9.22 LIQUID THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY		9.23 LIQUID VISCOSITY	
Temperature (degrees F)	Pounds per cubic foot	Temperature (degrees F)	British thermal unit per pound-F	Temperature (degrees F)	British thermal unit inch per hour-square foot-F	Temperature (degrees F)	Centipoise
34	60.980	52	0.500	42	1.129	52	1.928
36	60.910	54	0.500	44	1.129	54	1.889
38	60.840	56	0.500	46	1.129	56	1.852
40	60.770	58	0.500	48	1.129	58	1.815
42	60.700	60	0.500	50	1.129	60	1.779
44	60.630	62	0.500	52	1.129	62	1.745
46	60.560	64	0.500	54	1.129	64	1.711
48	60.490	66	0.500	56	1.129	66	1.678
50	60.420	68	0.500	58	1.129	68	1.646
52	60.360	70	0.500	60	1.129	70	1.615
54	60.290	72	0.500	62	1.129	72	1.585
56	60.220	74	0.500	64	1.129	74	1.556
58	60.150	76	0.500	66	1.129	76	1.527
60	60.080	78	0.500	68	1.129	78	1.499
62	60.010	80	0.500	70	1.129	80	1.472
64	59.940	82	0.500	72	1.129	82	1.445
66	59.870	84	0.500	74	1.129	84	1.419
68	59.800	86	0.500	76	1.129	86	1.394
70	59.730	88	0.500			88	1.369
72	59.660	90	0.500			90	1.345
74	59.590	92	0.500			92	1.322
76	59.520	94	0.500			94	1.299
78	59.450	96	0.500			96	1.277
80	59.380	98	0.500			98	1.255
82	59.310	100	0.500			100	1.234
84	59.250	102	0.500			102	1.213

9.24 SOLUBILITY IN WATER		9.25 SATURATED VAPOR PRESSURE		9.26 SATURATED VAPOR DENSITY		9.27 IDEAL GAS HEAT CAPACITY	
Temperature (degrees F)	Pounds per 100 pounds of water	Temperature (degrees F)	Pounds per square inch	Temperature (degrees F)	Pounds per cubic foot	Temperature (degrees F)	British thermal unit per pound-F
M	35	0.002	35	0.0003	0	0.278	
I	40	0.003	40	0.0004	20	0.287	
S	45	0.003	45	0.0005	40	0.296	
C	50	0.004	50	0.0007	60	0.304	
I	55	0.006	55	0.0009	80	0.313	
B	60	0.007	60	0.0011	100	0.321	
L	65	0.009	65	0.0014	120	0.330	
E	70	0.011	70	0.0018	140	0.338	
	75	0.014	75	0.0022	160	0.346	
	80	0.018	80	0.0027	180	0.354	
	85	0.022	85	0.0033	200	0.362	
	90	0.027	90	0.0041	220	0.369	
	95	0.033	95	0.0049	240	0.377	
	100	0.041	100	0.0060	260	0.384	
	105	0.050	105	0.0072	280	0.392	
	110	0.060	110	0.0087	300	0.399	
	115	0.072	115	0.0103	320	0.406	
	120	0.087	120	0.0123	340	0.413	
	125	0.104	125	0.0146	360	0.420	
	130	0.124	130	0.0173	380	0.427	
	135	0.147	135	0.0203	400	0.433	
	140	0.174	140	0.0238	420	0.440	
	145	0.205	145	0.0279	440	0.446	
	150	0.241	150	0.0325	460	0.453	
	155	0.283	155	0.0377	480	0.459	
					500	0.465	