

## Material Safety Data Sheet

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## 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Methanol

Product Number : 34860

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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## Emergency Overview

## OSHA Hazards

Flammable liquid, Target Organ Effect, Toxic by ingestion, Toxic by skin absorption, Irritant

## Target Organs

Eyes, Kidney, Liver, Heart, Central nervous system Eyes, Kidney, Liver, Heart, Central nervous system

## GHS Classification

Flammable liquids (Category 2)

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3)

Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 3)

Skin irritation (Category 2)

Eye irritation (Category 2A)

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 1)

## GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H225

Highly flammable liquid and vapour.

H301 + H311

Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin

H315

Causes skin irritation.

H319

Causes serious eye irritation.

H370

Causes damage to organs.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

P260

Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.

P280

Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing.

P301 + P310

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.

P305 + P351 + P338

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if

P307 + P311

present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.

#### HMIS Classification

**Health hazard:** 2  
**Chronic Health Hazard:** \*  
**Flammability:** 3  
**Physical hazards:** 0

#### NFPA Rating

**Health hazard:** 2  
**Fire:** 3  
**Reactivity Hazard:** 0

#### Potential Health Effects

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.  
**Skin** Toxic if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.  
**Eyes** Causes eye irritation.  
**Ingestion** Toxic if swallowed.

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### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Methyl alcohol

Formula : CH<sub>4</sub>O

Molecular Weight : 32.04 g/mol

Component		Concentration
<b>Methanol</b>		
CAS-No.	67-56-1	-
EC-No.	200-659-6	
Index-No.	603-001-00-X	
Registration number	01-2119433307-44-XXXX	

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

#### If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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### 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

#### Conditions of flammability

Flammable in the presence of a source of ignition when the temperature is above the flash point. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flame/hot surface. No smoking.

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

#### Special protective equipment for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

**Hazardous combustion products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

**Further information**

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****Personal precautions**

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

**Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

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**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Use explosion-proof equipment. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

**Conditions for safe storage**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

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**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION****Components with workplace control parameters**

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Methanol	67-56-1	TWA	200 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
Remarks	Headache Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption			
		STEL	250 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Headache Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption			
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
	Skin notation			
		STEL	250 ppm 325 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
	Skin notation			
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
	The value in mg/m3 is approximate.			
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
	Potential for dermal absorption			

		ST	250 ppm 325 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
	Potential for dermal absorption			

## Personal protective equipment

### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type AXBEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### Hand protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### Immersion protection

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.3 mm

Break through time: > 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (Aldrich Z677647, Size M)

#### Splash protection

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.4 mm

Break through time: > 30 min

Material tested: Camatril® (Aldrich Z677442, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 873000, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an Industrial Hygienist familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

### Eye protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

### Skin and body protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

### Hygiene measures

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

Form	liquid
Colour	colourless

### Safety data

pH	no data available
Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: -98 °C (-144 °F)
Boiling point	64.7 °C (148.5 °F)
Flash point	9.7 °C (49.5 °F) - closed cup
Ignition temperature	455 °C (851 °F)

Autoignition temperature	455.0 °C (851.0 °F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)
Lower explosion limit	6 %(V)
Upper explosion limit	36 %(V)
Vapour pressure	130.3 hPa (97.7 mmHg) at 20.0 °C (68.0 °F) 546.6 hPa (410.0 mmHg) at 50.0 °C (122.0 °F)
Density	0.791 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F)
Water solubility	completely miscible
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: -0.77
Relative vapour density	no data available
Odour	pungent
Odour Threshold	no data available
Evaporation rate	no data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.

### Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks. Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight.

### Materials to avoid

Acid chlorides, Acid anhydrides, Oxidizing agents, Alkali metals, Reducing agents, Acids

### Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides  
Other decomposition products - no data available

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity

#### Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - rat - 5,628 mg/kg

#### Inhalation LC50

LC50 Inhalation - rat - 4 h - 64000 ppm

LC50 Inhalation - rat - 4 h - 87.6 mg/l

#### Dermal LD50

LD50 Dermal - rabbit - 15,800 mg/kg

#### Other information on acute toxicity

no data available

### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - rabbit - No skin irritation

### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - rabbit - No eye irritation

### Respiratory or skin sensitization

guinea pig - OECD Test Guideline 406 - Does not cause skin sensitization.

### Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

Genotoxicity in vitro - Non-mammalian - Other cell types - negative

Genotoxicity in vivo - mouse - male and female - Intraperitoneal - negative

### **Carcinogenicity**

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

### **Reproductive toxicity**

no data available

### **Teratogenicity**

no data available

### **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

Causes damage to organs.

### **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

no data available

### **Aspiration hazard**

no data available

### **Potential health effects**

<b>Inhalation</b>	May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Toxic if swallowed.
<b>Skin</b>	Toxic if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
<b>Eyes</b>	Causes eye irritation.

### **Signs and Symptoms of Exposure**

Methyl alcohol may be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed., Cannot be made non-poisonous., Effects due to ingestion may include:, Nausea, Headache, Vomiting, Gastrointestinal disturbance, Dizziness, Weakness, Confusion., Drowsiness, Unconsciousness, May cause convulsions.

### **Synergistic effects**

no data available

### **Additional Information**

Repeated dose toxicity - Monkey - Gavage - 72 h - Lowest observed adverse effect level - 2,340 mg/kg  
RTECS: PC1400000

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## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish	LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 19,000.00 mg/l - 96 h mortality LC50 - Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 15,400 mg/l - 96 h
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 24,500.00 mg/l - 48 h

	EC100 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 10,000.00 mg/l - 24 h
Toxicity to algae	Growth inhibition EC50 - Scenedesmus capricornutum (fresh water algae) - 22,000 mg/l - 96 h
<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	
Biodegradability	aerobic
	Result: 72 % - rapidly biodegradable
<b>Bioaccumulative potential</b>	
Bioaccumulation	Cyprinus carpio (Carp) - 72 d at 20 °C
	Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 1.0
<b>Mobility in soil</b>	
Will not adsorb on soil.	
<b>PBT and vPvB assessment</b>	
no data available	
<b>Other adverse effects</b>	
no data available	

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### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### Product

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### DOT (US)

UN number: 1230	Class: 3	Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Methanol		
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 5000 lbs		
Marine pollutant: No		
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No		

#### IMDG

UN number: 1230	Class: 3 (6.1)	Packing group: II	EMS-No: F-E, S-D
Proper shipping name: METHANOL			
Marine pollutant: No			

#### IATA

UN number: 1230	Class: 3 (6.1)	Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Methanol		

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### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### OSHA Hazards

Flammable liquid, Target Organ Effect, Toxic by ingestion, Toxic by skin absorption, Irritant

#### SARA 302 Components

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

#### SARA 313 Components

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

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**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

Methanol

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**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

Methanol

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**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

Methanol

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**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION****Further information**

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