# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. SUBSTANCE AND SOURCE IDENTIFICATION

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SRM Name: Carbon Tetrachloride in

Methanol

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**Description:** This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is a gravimetrically prepared single-compound solution (carbon tetrachloride) in methanol intended primarily for the calibration of instrumentation and validation of methods for volatile organic compound (VOC) determinations. A unit of SRM 3006 consists of two 5 mL sealed borosilicate glass ampoules of a gravimetrically prepared solution of carbon tetrachloride in methanol. Approximately 2.5 mL of this mixture is supplied in each 5 mL glass ampoule.

Substance: Carbon Tetrachloride in Methanol.

## **Other Designations:**

Methanol (methyl alcohol; methyl hydroxide; wood alcohol; wood spirit).

Carbon tetrachloride (perchloromethane; carbon chloride (CCl<sub>4</sub>); tetrachloromethane; benzinoform).

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**NFPA Ratings (Scale 0–4):** Health = 2

Fire = 3

Reactivity = 0

**NOTE:** This carbon tetrachloride in methanol solution has not been tested as a whole. The health and physical hazard information are for carbon tetrachloride and methanol. The actual effects of the solution may differ from the individual components.

**Major Health Hazards:** Skin, eye, and respiratory tract irritation, central nervous system depression, nerve damage, aspiration hazard. Possible carcinogen.

**Physical Hazards:** Flammable liquid and vapor. Vapor may cause flash fire. Electrostatic charges may be generated by flow or agitation.

## **Potential Health Effects (Acute and Chronic):**

**Inhalation:** Methanol may cause irritation, cough, ringing in the ears, constipation, headache, drowsiness, dizziness, tingling sensation, pain in extremities, tremors, loss of coordination, blood disorders, and nerve damage. Carbon tetrachloride may cause irritation; exposure to 25–117 ppm may cause nausea, headache, dizziness, depression, narcosis, dyspepsia visual disturbances, and liver damage. Repeated exposure may cause the same effects as acute exposure.

**Skin Contact:** Methanol can cause irritation, absorption may occur, headache, drowsiness, dizziness, loss of coordination, and blood disorders. Carbon tetrachloride may cause irritation and toxic amounts may be absorbed through the skin which may cause nausea, headache, dizziness, depression, narcosis, dyspepsia, visual disturbances, and liver damage.

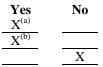
**Eye Contact:** Vapors may cause irritation and eye damage. Repeated or prolonged contact may cause conjunctivitis. Carbon tetrachloride may cause irritation.

**Ingestion:** Ingestion of methanol may result in mild and transient inebriation, and subsequent drowsiness. Liver, kidney, heart, stomach, intestine and pancreatic damage may also occur. Death may occur due to respiratory failure. As little as 15 mL has caused blindness; the usual fatal dose is 60–240 mL. Ingestion of carbon tetrachloride may cause nausea, headache, dizziness, depression, narcosis, dyspepsia, visual disturbances, and liver damage.

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## Listed as a Carcinogen/Potential Carcinogen

In the National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens In the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) Monographs By the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)



<sup>(a)</sup>NTP lists carbon tetrachloride as reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen.

## 3. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

Component	CAS Number	EC Number (EINECS)	Nominal Mass Concentration <sup>(a)</sup> (%)
Methanol	67-56-1	200-659-6	99
Carbon tetrachloride	56-23-5	200-262-8	1

<sup>(</sup>a) Hazardous components 1 % or greater; carcinogens 0.1 % or greater are listed in compliance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.

Component: Methanol

EC Classification: T, F

EC Risk (R No.): 11, 23/24/25, 39/23/24/25

**EC Safety (S No.):** 7, 16, 36/37, 45

Component: Carbon tetrachloride

**EC Classification:** Xn (0.2–1.0 % concentration)

EC Risk (R No.): 10, 20/21, 38

EC Safety (S No.): 25

EC Risk/Safety Phrases: See Section 15, "Regulatory Information".

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Inhalation:** If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. If not breathing, give artificial respiration or oxygen by qualified personnel. Seek medical attention if needed.

**Eye Contact:** Immediately flush eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes.

**Skin Contact:** Wash exposed skin with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Thoroughly clean and dry contaminated clothing and shoes before reuse.

**Ingestion:** Ingestion of this material is not likely under normal conditions of use. Potential aspiration hazard if ingested. If swallowed, seek medical attention.

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Severe fire hazard. Vapor/air mixtures are explosive. The vapor is heavier than air. Vapors or gases may ignite at distant ignition sources and flash back. Electrostatic discharges may be generated by flow or agitation resulting in ignition or explosion.

**Extinguishing Media:** Alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical, water.

**Fire Fighting:** Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

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<sup>(</sup>b) IARC lists carbon tetrachloride as Group 2B (possibly carcinogenic to humans).

**Note:** The data listed below is for methanol.

Flash Point (°C): 11 (52 °F) Method Used: Closed Cup

**Autoignition Temp. (°C):** 385 (725 °F)

Flammability Limits in Air UPPER (Volume %): 36 LOWER (Volume %): 6

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Occupational Release:** Remove sources of ignition. Do not touch spilled material. Absorb small spills with sand or other non-combustible material. Collect spilled material in appropriate container for proper disposal.

**Disposal:** Refer to Section 13, "Disposal Considerations".

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Storage:** Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Sealed ampoules should be stored in the dark at temperatures between 10 °C and 30 °C. Grounding and bonding required. Keep separated from incompatible substances. Subject to storage regulations: U.S. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.106.

Safe Handling Precautions: See Section 8, "Exposure Controls and Personal Protection".

#### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Exposure Limits**

Component: Methanol

OSHA (PEL): 200 ppm, 260 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (TWA)

ACGIH (TLV): 200 ppm (TWA); 250 ppm (STEL);

Skin – potential significant contribution to overall exposure by the cutaneous route.

NIOSH: 200 ppm, 260 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (TWA); 250 ppm, 325 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (STEL); 6000 ppm (IDLH);

Potential for dermal absorption.

Component: Carbon tetrachloride

OSHA (PEL): 10 ppm (TWA); 25 ppm (STEL) ACGIH (TLV): 5 ppm (TWA); 10 ppm (STEL);

Skin – potential significant contribution to overall exposure by the cutaneous route.

NIOSH: 2 ppm (STEL 60 min); 200 ppm (IDLH)

**Ventilation:** Provide local exhaust or process enclosure ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

**Respirator:** If workplace conditions warrant a respirator, a respiratory protection program that meets OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134 must be followed. Refer to NIOSH 42 CFR 84 for applicable certified respirators.

**Eye Protection:** Wear safety goggles. An eyewash station and drench shower should be readily available near the handling and use areas.

**Personal Protection:** In accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.132, subpart I, wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to minimize exposure to this material.

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# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Component: Methanol

Rabbit, eyes: 100 mg/24 h, moderate Rabbit, skin: 20 mg/24 h, moderate

**Component:** Carbon tetrachloride Rabbit, eyes: 500 mg/24 h, mild. Rabbit, skin: 500 mg/24 h, mild.

Component	Methanol	Carbon tetrachloride
Appearance and Odor	clear and colorless liquid, alcohol odor (threshold 100 ppm)	clear and colorless liquid, distinct odor (threshold 50 ppm)
Molecular Formula	CH₃OH	CCl <sub>4</sub>
Molar Mass (g/mol)	32.04	153.8
Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	0.79	Not available
Vapor Density (air = 1)	1.11	5.32
Specific Gravity (water = 1)	0.79	1.59
Kinematic Viscosity	0.59 cP 20 °C	Not available
<b>Boiling Point (°C)</b>	65 (149 °F)	77 (171 °F)
Melting Point (°C)	−94 (−137 °F)	−23 (−9.4 °F)
Water Solubility	soluble	0.08 % at 20 °C
Solvent Solubility	acetone, alcohol, benzene, chloroform, ethanol, ether, ketones, organic solvents	acetone, alcohol, benzene, chloroform, ether, naphtha, oils

**NOTE:** The physical and chemical data provided are for the pure components. No physical or chemical data are available for the solution of carbon tetrachloride in methanol. The actual behavior of the solution may differ from the individual components.

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10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY				
Stability: X Stable Unstable				
<b>Conditions to Avoid:</b> Avoid heat, flames, sparks, and other sources of ignition. Ampoules may rupture or explode if exposed to heat. Keep out of water supplies and sewers. Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Avoid contact with incompatible materials.				
<b>Incompatible Materials:</b> Halo carbons, combustible materials, metals, oxidizing materials, halogens, metal carbide, bases, acids, amines, and metal salts.				
Fire/Explosion Information: See Section 5, "Fire Fighting Measures".				
Hazardous Decomposition: Oxides of carbon, various organic fragments.				
Hazardous Polymerization: Will Occur X Will Not Occur				
11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION				
Route of Entry: X Inhalation X Skin X Ingestion				
Toxicity Data: End points listed by Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS).				
<b>Component:</b> Methanol Rat, Oral $LD_{50}$ : 5628 mg/kg Rabbit, Skin $LD_{50}$ : 15 800 mg/kg Rat, Inhalation $LC_{50}$ : 83.2 mg/L (4 h); 64 000 ppm (4 h)				
<b>Component:</b> Carbon tetrachloride Rat, Oral LD <sub>50</sub> : 2350 mg/kg. Rat, Inhalation LC <sub>50</sub> : 8000 ppm (4 h)				
Irritation Data:				

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**Health Effects:** See Section 2, "Hazards Identification" for potential health effects.

Target Organs: Eyes, skin, respiratory tract, central nervous system.

**Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure:** Allergies and disorders of the blood system, immune system, eye, skin, and kidney.

**Mutagen/Teratogen:** The components of this material have been reviewed and the Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) publishes the following endpoints.

**Component:** Methanol

Tumorigenic: Rat, Inhalation TCLo: 1000 ppm (2 years)

Mutagenic: Human: 300 mmol/L

Reproductive: Mouse, Inhalation TCLo: 2000 ppm (7 h, pregnant 6–15 d)

Component: Carbon tetrachloride

Tumorigenic: Mouse, Oral TD: 12 g/kg (88 d). Mutagenic: Rat, Intermittent: 31 g/kg (12 w).

Reproductive: Rat, Inhalation TCLo: 250 ppm (8 h, pregnant 10-15 d)

#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### **Ecotoxicity Data:**

Component: Methanol

Fish Toxicity: Rainbow trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC<sub>50</sub> (static): 18-20 mL/L (96 h)

Component: Carbon tetrachloride

Fish Toxicity: Bluegill (Lepomis macrochirus) LC<sub>50</sub> (static): 23-33 mg/L (96 h)

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste Disposal:** Dispose in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local requirements. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262; Hazardous Waste Number(s): U154 (methanol); 0.5 mg/L regulatory level for carbon tetrachloride.

### 14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

**U.S. DOT and IATA:** UN1230, Methanol solution, Hazard Class 3 (6.1), Packing Group II, Excepted Qty: Yes, E2.

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### U.S. REGULATIONS

CERCLA Sections 102a/103 (40 CFR 302.4): 5000 lb (2270 kg) final RQ for methanol;

10 lb (4.54 kg) final RQ for carbon tetrachloride.

SARA Title III Section 302 (40 CFR 355.30): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 304 (40 CFR 355.40): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65): Methanol de minimis concentration 1.0 %; carbon tetrachloride de minimis concentration 0.1 %.

OSHA Process Safety (29 CFR 1910.119): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Sections 311/312 Hazardous Categories (40 CFR 370.21)

ACUTE HEALTH: Yes CHRONIC HEALTH: Yes FIRE: Yes REACTIVE: No PRESSURE: No

# STATE REGULATIONS

California Proposition 65: WARNING! This product contains chemicals known to the state of California to cause reproductive/developmental effects and cancer (methanol and carbon tetrachloride respectively). Keep out of water supplies and sewers.

# **CANADIAN REGULATIONS**

WHMIS Information: Not provided for this material.

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#### **EUROPEAN REGULATIONS**

Component: Methanol

**EC Classification:** F – Highly Flammable, T – Toxic (Concentration ≥20 %)

#### **EC Risk Phrases:**

R11 – Highly flammable.

R23/24/25 – Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

R39/23/24/25 – Toxic: danger of very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

## **EC Safety Phrases:**

S7 – Keep container tightly closed.

S16 – Keep away from sources of ignition – No smoking.

S36/37 – Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.

S45 – In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

**Component:** Carbon tetrachloride (0.2–1.0 % concentration).

**EC Classification:** Xn – Harmful

# **EC Risk Phrases:**

R10 – Flammable.

R20/21 – Harmful by inhalation and in contact with skin.

R38 – Irritating to skin.

# **EC Safety Phrases:**

S25 – Avoid contact with eyes.

### NATIONAL INVENTORY STATUS

**U.S. Inventory** (**TSCA**): Methanol and carbon tetrachloride are listed.

TSCA 12(b), Export Notification: Not listed.

#### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Sources: ChemADVISOR, Inc., MSDS Methanol, 03 December 2012.

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EC; European Chemical Substance Information System (ESIS), *Carbon tetrachloride*, CAS No. 56-23-5; available at http://esis.jrc.ec.europa.eu/ (accessed Feb 2013).

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