

Safety Data Sheet

# Benzyl Alcohol

### **1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

Product Name: Benzyl Alcohol

**Synonyms/Generic Names:** Benzenemethanol, alpha-Hydroxytoluene; alpha-Toluenol, Benzal alcohol, Benzenecarbinol, Benzenemethanol, Benzoyl alcohol; Hydroxytoluene, Methanol phenyl-, Phenolcarbinol; Phenylcarbinol, Phenylmethanol, Phenylmethyl alcohol

**SDS Number:** 95.00

**Product Use:** For Educational Use Only

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

OSHA Hazards: Target organ effect, Harmful by ingestion, Harmful by skin absorption, Irritant

Target Organs: Central nervous system

Signal Words: Warning

**Pictograms:** 



#### **GHS Classification:**

Acute toxicity, Oral	Category 4
Acute toxicity, Dermal	Category 4
Acute toxicity, Inhalation	Category 4
Acute aquatic toxicity	Category 2

#### GHS Label Elements, including precautionary statements:

#### Hazard Statements:

H302+H312	Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin.
H332	Harmful if inhaled.
H401	Toxic to aquatic life.

### **Precautionary Statements:**

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing

#### **Potential Health Effects**

Eyes	Causes eye irritation.				
Inhalation	May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.				
Skin	Harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.				
Ingestion	Harmful if swallow	ed.			
NFPA Ratings			HMIS Ratings		
Health	1		Health	1	
Flammability	1		Fire	1	
Reactivity	0		Reactivity	0	
Specific hazar	d Not Available		Personal	Н	

## **3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Component	Weight %	CAS #	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Benzyl Alcohol	100	100-51-6	202-859-9	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O	108.14 g/mol

# **4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

Eyes	Rinse with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and seek medical attention if necessary.	
Inhalation	Move casualty to fresh air and keep at rest. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not	
	breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if necessary.	
Skin	Flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and	
	wash using soap. Get medical attention if necessary.	
Ingestion	Do Not Induce Vomiting! Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If	
	conscious, wash out mouth with water. Get medical attention if necessary.	

# 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media	Product is flammable at high temperatures. Use water spray, alcohol- resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide to extinguish fire. Use appropriate media for adjacent fire. Cool unopened containers with water.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protective clothing, including eye protection and boots.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Emits toxic fumes (carbon oxides) under fire conditions. When heated to decomposition, it emits acrid smoke and irritating fumes. See also Stability and Reactivity section.

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment.
Environmental precautions	Prevent spillage from entering drains. Any release to the environment may be subject to federal/national or local reporting requirements.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	Neutralize spill. Absorb spill with noncombustible absorbent material, then place in a suitable container for disposal. Clean surfaces thoroughly with

water to remove residual contamination. Dispose of all waste and cleanup
materials in accordance with regulations.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### Precautions for safe handling

See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment. Use with adequate ventilation and avoid inhaling mists/vapors. Keep container closed when not in use.

#### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool, dry well ventilated area. Store under inert gas. Hygroscopic. Keep away from incompatible materials (see section 10 for incompatibilities).

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Occupational exposure controls:

Component	Exposure Limits	Basis	Entity
Benzyl Alcohol	10 ppm 44 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	WEEL	AIHA

TWA: Time Weighted Average over 8 hours of work.

TLV: Threshold Limit Value over 8 hours of work.

- **REL: Recommended Exposure Limit**
- PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit during x minutes.

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

WEEL: Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels

CEIL: Ceiling

#### Personal Protection

Eyes	Wear chemical safety glasses or goggles.
Inhalation	Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical. If exposure levels are excessive, use an approved respirator.
Skin	Wear nitrile or rubber gloves, apron or lab coat. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.
Other	Not Available

#### Other Recommendations

Provide eyewash stations, quick-drench showers and washing facilities accessible to areas of use and handling.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance (physical state, color, etc.)	Clear, colorless liquid.
Odor	Slightly aromatic.
Odor threshold	5.5 ppm
рН	Not Available
Melting point/freezing point	-15°C (5°F)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	205°C (401°F)
Flash point	96°C (205°F)
Evaporation rate	Not Available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Flammable liquid.
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limit	Not Available

Vapor pressure	0 hPa (mmHg) at 25°C (77°F)
Vapor density	3.72 (air=1)
Relative density	1.04 g/mL (water=1)
Solubility (ies)	Soluble in diethyl ether, acetone, ethanol. Partially
	soluble in water.
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 1.1
Auto-ignition temperature	436°C (817°F)
Decomposition temperature	Not Available

# **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Chemical Stability	Stable	
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Will not occur.	
Conditions to Avoid	Heat, ignition sources.	
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, acids.	
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon oxides.	

# **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Acute Toxicity

Skin	LC50 – Rabbit – 2,000 mg/kg
Eyes	Not Available
Respiratory	Not Available
Ingestion	LC50 – Rat – 1,230 mg/kg

### Carcinogenicity

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

### Signs & Symptoms of Exposure

Skin	Irritation, redness, pain.	
Eyes	Irritation, redness, pain.	
Respiratory	Upper respiratory tract irritation, coughing, wheezing, shortness of breath.	
Ingestion	estion Pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, dizziness, somnolence.	

Chronic Toxicity	May effect liver, kidneys, cardiovascular system and metabolism with	
	repeated exposure	
Teratogenicity	Not Available	
Mutagenicity	Not Available	
Embryotoxicity	Not Available	
Specific Target Organ Toxicity	Not Available	
Reproductive Toxicity	Not Available	
Respiratory/Skin Sensitization	Not Available	

# **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Ecotoxicity		
Aquatic Vertebrate	Not Availa	able
Aquatic Invertebrate	Not Availa	able
Terrestrial	Not Availa	able
Persistence and Degr	adability	Not Available

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Bioaccumulative Potential	Not Available
Mobility in Soil	Not Available
PBT and vPvB Assessment	Not Available
Other Adverse Effects	Not Available

### **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste Residues	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary before disposing of waste products or residues.
Product Containers	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary
	before disposing of waste product container.

The information offered in section 13 is for the product as shipped. Use and/or alterations to the product may significantly change the characteristics of the material and alter the waste classification and proper disposal methods.

### **14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

US DOT	Not Dangerous Goods
TDG	Not Dangerous Goods
IMDG	Not Dangerous Goods
Marine Pollutant	No
IATA/ICAO	Not Dangerous Goods

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA Inventory Status	All ingredients are listed on the TSCA inventory.	
DSCL (EEC)	All ingredients are listed on the DSCL inventory.	
California Proposition 65	Not Listed	
SARA 302	Not Listed	
SARA 304	Not Listed	
SARA 311	Benzyl Alcohol	
SARA 312	Benzyl Alcohol	
SARA 313	Not Listed	
WHMIS Canada	Class B-3: Combustible liquid with a flash point between 37.8°C/100°F and	
	93.3°C/200°F.	
	Class D-2B: Material causing other toxic effects (TOXIC).	

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Revision	Date
Revision 1	01/04/2013
Revision 2	06/21/2013

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