

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Tetrachloroethylene  
**Cat No. :** C182-20; C182-4  
**CAS-No** 127-18-4  
**Synonyms** Perchloroethylene  
**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

#### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

##### Company

**Importer/Distributor**  
Fisher Scientific  
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Ottawa, ON K2E 7L6,  
Canada  
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Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

**Emergency Telephone Number** CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

**WHMIS 2015 Classification** Classified as hazardous under the Hazardous Products Regulations (SOR/2015-17)

<b>Skin Corrosion/Irritation</b>	Category 2
<b>Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation</b>	Category 2
<b>Skin Sensitization</b>	Category 1
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	Category 1B
<b>Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)</b>	Category 3
Target Organs - Central nervous system (CNS).	
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)</b>	Category 2
Target Organs - Kidney, Liver, Blood.	

#### Label Elements

**Signal Word**  
Danger

**Hazard Statements**

Causes skin irritation  
 May cause an allergic skin reaction  
 Causes serious eye irritation  
 May cause drowsiness and dizziness  
 May cause cancer  
 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use  
 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
 Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray  
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
 Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace

#### Response

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention  
 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing  
 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
 Take off contaminated clothing

#### Storage

Store locked up  
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Other Hazards

Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

## 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Tetrachloroethylene	127-18-4	>95

## 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.

<b>Most important symptoms/effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable. May cause allergic skin reaction. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO2), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Containers may explode when heated.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Chlorine. Phosgene. Hydrogen chloride gas.

### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

### NFPA

<b>Health</b>	<b>Flammability</b>	<b>Instability</b>	<b>Physical hazards</b>
2	0	0	N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and storage

<b>Handling</b>	Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.
<b>Storage.</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect from sunlight. Incompatible Materials. Strong acids. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong bases. Metals. Zinc. Amines. Aluminium.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Tetrachloroethylene	TWA: 25 ppm	TWA: 25 ppm	TWA: 25 ppm	TWA: 25 ppm	TWA: 25 ppm	(Vacated) TWA:	IDLH: 150 ppm

	TWA: 170 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 100 ppm STEL: 678 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL: 100 ppm	STEL: 100 ppm	TWA: 170 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 100 ppm STEL: 685 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL: 100 ppm	25 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 170 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Ceiling: 200 ppm TWA: 100 ppm	
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**Legend**

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

**Engineering Measures**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. 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

**Hand Protection**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Nitrile rubber	> 480 minutes	0.38 mm	As tested under EN374-3
Viton (R)	> 480 minutes	0.3 mm	Determination of Resistance to Permeation by Chemicals

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, 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. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

**Respiratory Protection**

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 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 properly

**Recommended Filter type:** Organic gases and vapours filter Type A Brown conforming to EN14387

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

**Environmental exposure controls**

Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

**Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	Colorless
<b>Odor</b>	Characteristic, sweet
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	No information available
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	-22 °C / -7.6 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	120 - 122 °C / 248 - 251.6 °F @ 760 mmHg
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	6.0 (Ether = 1.0)

<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	18 mbar @ 20 °C
<b>Vapor Density</b>	No information available
<b>Density</b>	1.619
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.625
<b>Solubility</b>	0.15 g/L water (20°C)
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	> 150°C
<b>Viscosity</b>	0.89 mPa s at 20 °C
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C2 Cl4
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	165.83

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to moist air or water.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong acids, Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases, Metals, Zinc, Amines, Aluminium
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Chlorine, Phosgene, Hydrogen chloride gas
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information

#### Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Tetrachloroethylene	LD50 = 2629 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 > 10000 mg/kg (Rat)	LC50 = 27.8 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

#### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

<b>Irritation</b>	Irritating to eyes and skin
<b>Sensitization</b>	No information available
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Tetrachloroethylene	127-18-4	Group 2A	Reasonably Anticipated	A3	X	A3

*IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)*

*NTP: (National Toxicity Program)*

*IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)*

*Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans*

*NTP: (National Toxicity Program)*

*Known - Known Carcinogen*

*Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen*

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)

Mexico - Occupational Exposure Limits - Carcinogens

A1 - Known Human Carcinogen  
A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen  
A3 - Animal Carcinogen

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)  
Mexico - Occupational Exposure Limits - Carcinogens

A1 - Confirmed Human Carcinogen  
A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen  
A3 - Confirmed Animal Carcinogen  
A4 - Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen  
A5 - Not Suspected as a Human Carcinogen

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** Central nervous system (CNS)

**STOT - repeated exposure** Kidney Liver Blood

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting; Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing

#### Endocrine Disruptor Information

Component	EU - Endocrine Disruptors Candidate List	EU - Endocrine Disruptors - Evaluated Substances	Japan - Endocrine Disruptor Information
Tetrachloroethylene	Group II Chemical	Not applicable	Not applicable

**Other Adverse Effects** Tumorigenic effects have been reported in experimental animals.

## 12. Ecological information

#### Ecotoxicity

Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Tetrachloroethylene	EC50: > 500 mg/L, 96h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata)	LC50: 12.4 - 14.4 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas) LC50: 8.6 - 13.5 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: 11.0 - 15.0 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 4.73 - 5.27 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	EC50 = 100 mg/L 24 h EC50 = 112 mg/L 24 h EC50 = 120.0 mg/L 30 min	EC50: 6.1 - 9.0 mg/L, 48h Static (Daphnia magna)

**Persistence and Degradability** Insoluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** . Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility.

Component	log Pow
Tetrachloroethylene	2.88

### 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Tetrachloroethylene - 127-18-4	U210	-

### 14. Transport information

**DOT**

UN-No UN1897  
 Proper Shipping Name TETRACHLOROETHYLENE  
 Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

**TDG**

UN-No UN1897  
 Proper Shipping Name TETRACHLOROETHYLENE  
 Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

**IATA**

UN-No UN1897  
 Proper Shipping Name TETRACHLOROETHYLENE  
 Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

**IMDG/IMO**

UN-No UN1897  
 Proper Shipping Name TETRACHLOROETHYLENE  
 Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

### 15. Regulatory information

**International Inventories**

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP
Tetrachloroethylene	127-18-4	X	-	X	ACTIVE	204-825-9	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Tetrachloroethylene	127-18-4	X	KE-33294	X	X	X	X	X	X

**Legend:**

X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**Canada**

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

Component	Canada - National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI)	Canadian Environmental Protection Agency (CEPA)	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)
Tetrachloroethylene			

		- List of Toxic Substances	
Tetrachloroethylene	Part 1, Group A Substance Part 4 Substance	Schedule I	

### Other International Regulations

#### 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)
Tetrachloroethylene	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

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

#### Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Component	CAS-No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Tetrachloroethylene	127-18-4	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Component	CAS-No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Tetrachloroethylene	127-18-4	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y45

## 16. Other information

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