

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

**Product Name** Methanesulfonic acid

**Cat No. :** AC125610000; AC125610010; AC125610050; AC125610051;  
AC125612500

**CAS-No** 75-75-2  
**Synonyms** MSA

**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**

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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification

#### **WHMIS 2015 Classification**

This product is hazardous in accordance with the Canada Hazardous Products Act (HPA) and Hazardous Products Regulation (HPR), as amended (SOR/2022-272)

<b>Corrosive to metals</b>	Category 1
<b>Acute oral toxicity</b>	Category 4
<b>Acute dermal toxicity</b>	Category 4
<b>Skin Corrosion/Irritation</b>	Category 1 B
<b>Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation</b>	Category 1
<b>Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)</b>	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	

### Label Elements

**Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

May be corrosive to metals

Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

May cause respiratory irritation

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Keep only in original packaging

Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

**Response**

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower

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

Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor

Rinse mouth

Do NOT induce vomiting

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

**Storage**

Store locked up

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

Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner

Store in a dry place

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other Hazards**

Light sensitive

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Methanesulfonic acid	75-75-2	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

**General Advice**

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

**Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Inhalation</b>	If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Remove from exposure, lie down. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects</b>	Causes burns by all exposure routes. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	CO <sub>2</sub> , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	189 °C / 372.2 °F
<b>Method -</b>	CC (closed cup)
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	535 °C / 995 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	24.3 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	11.4 vol %
<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. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Sulfur oxides.

### 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. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### NFPA

<b>Health</b>	<b>Flammability</b>	<b>Instability</b>	<b>Physical hazards</b>
3	1	1	N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.
<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	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. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.
<b>Storage.</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect from direct sunlight. Corrosives area. Store under an inert atmosphere. Air sensitive. This product is hygroscopic. Incompatible Materials. Bases. Strong acids. Amines. Alkaline. Strong reducing agents. Lead. Hydrogen fluoride. Metals. copper.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

<b><u>Exposure Guidelines</u></b>	This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.
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<b><u>Engineering Measures</u></b>	Use only under a chemical fume hood. 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
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### **Personal protective equipment**

<b>Eye Protection</b>	Goggles
<b>Hand Protection</b>	Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Butyl rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	Splash protection only

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 compatibility, 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:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 Acid gases filter Type E Yellow conforming to EN14387

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

### **Environmental exposure controls**

Prevent product from entering drains.

### **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>Appearance</b>			
<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid		
<b>Color</b>	Yellow to brown		
<b>Odor</b>	No information available		
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available		
<b>Property</b>	<b>Values</b>	<b>Remarks</b>	<b>• Method</b>
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	19 °C / 66.2 °F		
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available		
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	167 °C / 332.6 °F	@ 10 mmHg	
<b>Flash Point</b>	189 °C / 372.2 °F	<b>Method -</b> CC (closed cup)	
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	No data available		
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable	Liquid	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	<b>Lower</b> 11.4 vol% <b>Upper</b> 24.3 vol%		
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	535 °C / 995 °F		
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	> 200°C		
<b>pH</b>	No information available		
<b>Viscosity</b>	11.6 mPa.s @ 25°C		
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Soluble		
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available		
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>			
<b>Component</b>	<b>log Pow</b>		
Methanesulfonic acid	-2.4		
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	<1 mbar @ 20 °C		
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>	1.481		
<b>Bulk Density</b>	Not applicable	Liquid	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	No data available	(Air = 1.0)	
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	Not applicable (liquid)		
<b>Other Information</b>			
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C H4 O3 S		
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	96.1		

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Light sensitive. Moisture sensitive.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Excess heat. Exposure to light. Incompatible products. Exposure to moisture. Exposure to moist air or water.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Bases, Strong acids, Amines, Alkaline, Strong reducing agents, Lead, Hydrogen fluoride, Metals, copper
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Sulfur oxides
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

<b>Inhalation</b>	Not an expected route of exposure.
<b>Ingestion</b>	May be harmful if swallowed.
<b>Eyes</b>	Avoid contact with eyes. Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness.
<b>Skin</b>	Avoid contact with skin. Causes burns. Skin Corrosion/Irritation. Harmful in contact with skin.

**Toxicology data for the components**

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Methanesulfonic acid	649 mg/kg ( Rat )	1000 - 2000 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	1.3 mg/L/6h ( Rat )

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** Category 1 B Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Category 1 Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**

**Respiratory** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
**Skin** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
 Not mutagenic in AMES Test

**(f) carcinogenicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
 The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Methanesulfonic acid	75-75-2	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** Category 3  
 Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Results / Target organs** Respiratory system.

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Target Organs** None known.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach and esophagus should be investigated. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation.

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains. Contains a substance which is: Harmful to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Methanesulfonic acid	Not listed	Oncorhynchus mykiss: LC50=73 mg/L 96h	Not listed	EC50: = 12 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia pulex)

**Persistence and Degradability** Persistence is unlikely

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Methanesulfonic acid	-2.4

## 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.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN-No UN3265  
 Proper Shipping Name CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.  
 Technical Shipping Name Methanesulfonic acid  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

### TDG

UN-No UN3265  
 Proper Shipping Name Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s.  
 Technical Shipping Name Methanesulfonic acid  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

### IATA

UN-No UN3265  
 Proper Shipping Name Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s.  
 Technical Shipping Name Methanesulfonic acid  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

### IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN3265  
 Proper Shipping Name Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s.  
 Technical Shipping Name Methanesulfonic acid  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

## 15. Regulatory information

**All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists:** China X = listed Australia U.S.A. (TSCA) Canada (DSL/NDSL) Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP) Australia (AICS) Korea (KECL) China (IECSC) Japan (ENCS) Philippines (PICCS) Taiwan (TCSI) Japan (ISHL) New Zealand (NZIoC) Japan (ISHL)

### International Inventories

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification -	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP

					<b>Active-Inactive</b>			
Methanesulfonic acid	75-75-2	X	-	X	ACTIVE	200-898-6	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Methanesulfonic acid	75-75-2	X	KE-23186	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 its amendments and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the revised Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

**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)
Methanesulfonic acid	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

**REACH links**

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

**Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?**

Not applicable

**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)
Methanesulfonic acid	75-75-2	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)
Methanesulfonic acid	75-75-2	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y34

## 16. Other information

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