

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Benzyl alcohol

Cat No. : AC148390000; AC148390010; AC148390025; AC148390050;
AC148390250

CAS-No 100-51-6
Synonyms Phenylmethanol

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

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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)

Acute oral toxicity	Category 4
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Skin Sensitization	Category 1B

Label Elements

Signal Word

Warning

Hazard Statements

Harmful if swallowed
 May cause an allergic skin reaction
 Causes serious eye irritation



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
 Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Response

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell
 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
 Rinse mouth
 If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention
 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	<=100

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.
Most important symptoms/effects	May cause allergic skin reaction. Symptoms of overexposure may be 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
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO₂), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media No information available

Flash Point 96 °C / 204.8 °F

Method - No information available

Autoignition Temperature 435 °C / 815 °F

Explosion Limits

Upper 13 vol %

Lower 1.3 vol %

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available

Sensitivity to Static Discharge 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. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

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

Health
2

Flammability
1

Instability
1

Physical hazards
N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation.

Environmental Precautions

Should not be released into the environment. 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

Handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

Storage.

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Store under an inert atmosphere. Air sensitive. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Engineering Measures

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

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
Viton (R)	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 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.

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

Appearance**Physical State**

Liquid

Color

Light yellow

Odor

aromatic

Odor Threshold

No information available

Property**Values****Remarks****Method****Melting Point/Range**

-15 °C / 5 °F

Softening Point

No data available

Boiling Point/Range

205 °C / 401 °F

Flash Point

96 °C / 204.8 °F

Method - No information available**Flammability (liquid)**

No data available

Flammability (solid,gas)

Not applicable

Liquid

Explosion Limits**Lower** 1.3 vol%**Upper** 13 vol%**Autoignition Temperature**

435 °C / 815 °F

Decomposition Temperature

No data available

pH

No information available

Viscosity

6.6 mPa.s at 20 °C

Water Solubility

40 g/l (20°C)

Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Component	log Pow	
Benzyl alcohol	1.05	
Vapor Pressure	0.13 mbar @ 20 °C	
Density / Specific Gravity	1.044	
Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid
Vapor Density	3.72 (Air = 1.0)	(Air = 1.0)
Particle characteristics	Not applicable (liquid)	
Other Information		
Molecular Formula	C7 H8 O	
Molecular Weight	108.14	

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Air sensitive. Hygroscopic.
Conditions to Avoid	Excess heat. Exposure to moist air or water. Exposure to air.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

Inhalation	May produce an allergic reaction.
Ingestion	May cause allergic reaction. May be harmful if swallowed.
Eyes	Avoid contact with eyes. Irritating to eyes. Sensitization.
Skin	Avoid contact with skin. May cause irritation. Repeated or prolonged skin contact may cause allergic reactions with susceptible persons.

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Benzyl alcohol	LD50 = 1230 mg/kg (Rat)	-	LC50 > 4178 mg/m ³ (Rat) 4 h

Toxicologically Synergistic Products	No information available
(b) skin corrosion/irritation;	No data available
(c) serious eye damage/irritation;	Category 2
(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;	
Respiratory	No data available
Skin	Sub-category 1B
	No information available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available
Not mutagenic in AMES Test

(f) carcinogenicity;
The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs None known.

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

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Symptoms of overexposure may be 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.

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

Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not degradable in waste water treatment plants. 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
Benzyl alcohol	EC50 = 35 mg/L 3h	Lepomis macrochirus: LC50 = 10 mg/L 96h	Photobacterium phosphoreum: EC50 = 50mg/L 5 min Photobacterium phosphoreum: EC50 = 63.7 mg/L 15 min Photobacterium phosphoreum: EC50 = 71.4 mg/L 30 min	EC50 = 23 mg/L 48h

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
Benzyl alcohol	1.05

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	Not regulated
TDG	Not regulated
IATA	Not regulated
IMDG/IMO	Not regulated

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	X	-	X	ACTIVE	202-859-9	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	X	KE-02570	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)).

Component	Canada - National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI)	Canadian Environmental Protection Agency (CEPA) - List of Toxic Substances	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)
Benzyl alcohol	Part 4 Substance		

Legend

NPRI - National Pollutant Release Inventory

Other International Regulations**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**

Not applicable

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)
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	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)
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

16. Other information

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