

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Xylenes

Cat No. : AC447240000; AC447240010; AC447240025

Synonyms Dimethylbenzene

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

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

Flammable liquids	Category 3
Acute dermal toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity	Category 4
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Carcinogenicity	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Heart, Liver, Kidney, Ears.	
Aspiration Toxicity	Category 1

Label Elements

Signal Word
Danger

Hazard Statements

Flammable liquid and vapor
 Harmful in contact with skin or if inhaled
 May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways
 Causes skin irritation
 Causes serious eye irritation
 May cause respiratory irritation
 Suspected of causing 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
 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking
 Keep container tightly closed
 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment
 Use only non-sparking tools
 Take precautionary measures against static discharges
 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
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Response

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor
 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ 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
 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention
 Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell
 Do NOT induce vomiting
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse
 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish

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

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	1330-20-7	>75
Ethylbenzene	100-41-4	<25

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. Risk of serious damage to the lungs (by aspiration).
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. If vomiting occurs naturally, have victim lean forward.
Most important symptoms/effects	Difficulty in breathing. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO ₂), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	25 °C / 77 °F
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	460 °C / 860 °F
Explosion Limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Flammable. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back.

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
3

Flammability
2

Instability
0

Physical hazards
N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.
Environmental Precautions	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. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

7. Handling and storage

Handling Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

Storage Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Flammables area. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Xylenes (o-, m-, p-isomers)	TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 434 mg/m ³ STEL: 150 ppm STEL: 651 mg/m ³	TWA: 100 ppm STEL: 150 ppm	TWA: 100 ppm STEL: 150 ppm	TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 434 mg/m ³ STEL: 150 ppm STEL: 651 mg/m ³	TWA: 100 ppm STEL: 150 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 100 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 435 mg/m ³ (Vacated) STEL: 150 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 655 mg/m ³ TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 435 mg/m ³	
Ethylbenzene	TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 434 mg/m ³ STEL: 125 ppm STEL: 543 mg/m ³	TWA: 20 ppm	TWA: 20 ppm	TWA: 20 ppm	TWA: 20 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 100 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 435 mg/m ³ (Vacated) STEL: 125 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 545 mg/m ³ TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 435 mg/m ³	IDLH: 800 ppm TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 435 mg/m ³ STEL: 125 ppm STEL: 545 mg/m ³

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

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.

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)	> 480 minutes	-	As tested under EN374-3 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. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

Hygiene Measures

When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Provide regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Liquid
Appearance	Colorless
Odor	aromatic
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	Not applicable
Melting Point/Range	-34 °C / -29.2 °F
Boiling Point/Range	137 - 143 °C / 278.6 - 289.4 °F
Flash Point	25 °C / 77 °F
Evaporation Rate	No information available
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	8 mbar @ 20 °C
Vapor Density	No information available
Specific Gravity	0.865
Solubility	practically insoluble
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	460 °C / 860 °F
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	0.6 mPa s @ 20 °C
Molecular Formula	C8 H10
Molecular Weight	106.17

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids
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

Acute Toxicity

Product Information

Oral LD50

Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.

Dermal LD50

Category 4. ATE = 1000 - 2000 mg/kg.

Vapor LC50

Category 4. ATE = 10 - 20 mg/l.

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	LD50 = 3500 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 > 4350 mg/kg (Rabbit) LD50 > 1700 mg/kg (Rabbit)	29.08 mg/L [MOE Risk Assessment Vol.1, 2002]
Ethylbenzene	3500 mg/kg (Rat)	15400 mg/kg (Rabbit)	17.2 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

Irritation No information available

Sensitization No information available

Carcinogenicity The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	1330-20-7	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Ethylbenzene	100-41-4	Group 2B	Not listed	A3	X	A3

IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

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Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans

A1 - Known Human Carcinogen

A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen

A3 - Animal Carcinogen

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Mexico - Occupational Exposure Limits - Carcinogens

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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 Respiratory system

STOT - repeated exposure Heart Liver Kidney Ears

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

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

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Contains a substance which is: Very toxic to aquatic organisms.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	Not listed	LC50: 30.26 - 40.75 mg/L, 96h static (Poecilia reticulata) LC50: 2.661 - 4.093 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: = 13.4 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas) LC50: > 780 mg/L, 96h (Cyprinus carpio) LC50: = 780 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Cyprinus carpio) LC50: 23.53 - 29.97 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: 7.711 - 9.591 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: = 19 mg/L, 96h (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 13.1 - 16.5 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 13.5 - 17.3 mg/L, 96h (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	EC50 = 0.0084 mg/L 24 h	EC50: = 3.82 mg/L, 48h (water flea) LC50: = 0.6 mg/L, 48h (Gammarus lacustris)
Ethylbenzene	EC50: 1.7 - 7.6 mg/L, 96h static (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: 2.6 - 11.3 mg/L, 72h static (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: > 438 mg/L, 96h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: = 4.6 mg/L, 72h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata)	LC50: 11.0 - 18.0 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: = 32 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 7.55 - 11 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 4.2 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: 9.1 - 15.6 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 9.6 mg/L, 96h static (Poecilia reticulata)	EC50 = 9.68 mg/L 30 min EC50 = 96 mg/L 24 h	EC50: 1.8 - 2.4 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)

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

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

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

Component	log Pow
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	3.15
Ethylbenzene	3.2

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
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers) - 1330-20-7	U239	-

14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No UN1307
 Proper Shipping Name XYLENES
 Hazard Class 3
 Packing Group III

TDG

UN-No UN1307
 Proper Shipping Name XYLENES
 Hazard Class 3
 Packing Group III

IATA

UN-No UN1307
 Proper Shipping Name XYLENES
 Hazard Class 3
 Packing Group III

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1307
 Proper Shipping Name XYLENES
 Hazard Class 3
 Packing Group III

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	EINECS	ELINCS	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	KECL	IECSC
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	X	-	X	215-535-7	-	X	X	X	KE-35427	X
Ethylbenzene	X	-	X	202-849-4	-	X	X	X	KE-13532	X

Legend

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

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing 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) - List of Toxic Substances	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	Part 1, Group A Substance Part 5, Isomer Groups Part 4 Substance		
Ethylbenzene	Part 1, Group A Substance Part 4 Substance		

Legend NPRI - National Pollutant Release Inventory

16. Other information

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