

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Formamide

**Cat No. :** BP227-100; BP227-500

**CAS-No** 75-12-7  
**Synonyms** Carbamaldehyde; Methanamide.

**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**

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

<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	Category 2
<b>Reproductive Toxicity</b>	Category 1B
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)</b>	Category 2
Target Organs - Liver, Kidney, Blood.	

#### Label Elements

##### **Signal Word**

Danger

##### **Hazard Statements**

Suspected of causing cancer

May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child  
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

#### Response

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention

#### Storage

Store locked up

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

## 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Formamide	75-12-7	>95

## 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. 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. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects Notes to Physician</b>	None reasonably foreseeable. Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available

<b>Flash Point</b>	175 °C / 347 °F
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	500 °C / 932 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	19 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	2.7 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. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Nitrogen oxides (NOx). Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid). Ammonia.

**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>
2	1	0	N/A

**6. Accidental release measures**

**Personal Precautions** Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

**Environmental Precautions** Should not be released into the environment.

**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. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

**Storage.** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Incompatible Materials. Acids. Bases. Strong oxidizing agents.

**8. Exposure controls / personal protection****Exposure Guidelines**

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Formamide	TWA: 10 ppm TWA: 18 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin	TWA: 10 ppm Skin	TWA: 10 ppm Skin	TWA: 10 ppm TWA: 18 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin	TWA: 1 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 20 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 30 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Vacated) STEL: 30 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 45 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 10 ppm TWA: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**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 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**

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers	-	Splash protection only
Nitrile rubber	recommendations		
Neoprene			
PVC			

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**

No information available.

### **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	Clear
<b>Odor</b>	Ammonia-like
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	4-5 200 g/l aq.sol
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	2 - 3 °C / 35.6 - 37.4 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	210 °C / 410 °F
<b>Flash Point</b>	175 °C / 347 °F
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	19 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	2.7 vol %
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	0.08 mbar @ 20 °C
<b>Vapor Density</b>	1.56
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.133
<b>Solubility</b>	miscible
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	500 °C / 932 °F

Decomposition Temperature	180 °C
Viscosity	3.75 mPa.s at 20 °C
Molecular Formula	C H3 N O
Molecular Weight	45.04

## 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>	Excess heat. Incompatible products.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Acids, Bases, Strong oxidizing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>x</sub> ), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid), Ammonia
<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
Formamide	LD50 = 5577 mg/kg ( Rat )	17 g/kg ( Rabbit )	>3900 ppm ( Rat ) 6 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>	No information available
<b>Sensitization</b>	No information available
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	Possible cancer hazard. May cause cancer based on animal data.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Formamide	75-12-7	Not listed	Not listed	A3	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** Not mutagenic in AMES Test

<b>Reproductive Effects</b>	May cause harm to the unborn child. Possible risk of impaired fertility.
<b>Developmental Effects</b>	May cause harm to the unborn child. Developmental effects have occurred in experimental animals.
<b>Teratogenicity</b>	Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.
<b>STOT - single exposure</b>	None known
<b>STOT - repeated exposure</b>	Liver Kidney Blood
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	No information available
<b>Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed</b>	No information available
<b>Endocrine Disruptor Information</b>	No information available

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

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Formamide	EC50: > 500 mg/L, 96h (Desmodesmus subspicatus) EC50: > 500 mg/L, 72h (Desmodesmus subspicatus)	LC50: = 9135 mg/L, 96h static (Brachydanio rerio)	EC50 > 10000 mg/L 17 h	EC50: > 500 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)

**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
Formamide	-0.82

## 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

<b>DOT</b>	Not regulated
<b>TDG</b>	Not regulated
<b>IATA</b>	Not regulated
<b>IMDG/IMO</b>	Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory information

### International Inventories

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP
Formamide	75-12-7	X	-	X	ACTIVE	200-842-0	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Formamide	75-12-7	X	KE-17231	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) - List of Toxic Substances	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)
Formamide	Part 4 Substance		Subject to Monitoring and Surveillance Activities

#### 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)
Formamide	-	Use restricted. See item 30. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	SVHC Candidate list - Toxic for reproduction (Article 57 c)

After the sunset date the use of this substance requires either an authorization or can only be used for exempted uses, e.g. use in scientific research and development which includes routine analytics or use as intermediate.

<https://echa.europa.eu/authorisation-list>

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

<https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>

#### 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)
Formamide	75-12-7	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)
Formamide	75-12-7	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

## 16. Other information

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#### Revision Summary

This document has been updated to comply with the requirements of WHMIS 2015 to align with the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) for the Classification and Labelling of Chemicals.

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