

Safety Data Sheet

According to Hazardous Products Regulation (SOR/2015-17)

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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

Product identifier

Trade name/designation:	Formaldehyde 37%
Product No.:	41860
Synonyms:	no data available
CAS No.:	50-00-0
Other means of identification:	

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Recommended Use:	For Further Manufacturing Use Only
Uses advised against:	Not for Human or Animal Drug Use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Hazardous Products Regulation (SOR/2015-17)

Hazard classes and hazard categories	Hazard statements
Flammable liquid, category 3	H226
Carcinogenicity, category 1B	H350
Germ cell mutagenicity, category 2	H341
Acute toxicity, category 3, oral, dermal and inhalation	H301+H311+H331
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure), category 1	H370
Skin corrosion, category 1B	H314
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure), category 3, vascular	H335
Skin sensitization, category 1	H317

2.2 Label elements

Labelling in accordance with (SOR/2015-17)

Hazard pictograms



Signal word: Danger

Hazard statements	
H226	Flammable liquid and vapour.
H350	May cause cancer.
H341	Suspected of causing genetic defects.
H301+H311+H331	Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.
H370	Causes damage to organs.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Precautionary statements	
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
P243	Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water/...
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P308+P310	IF exposed or concerned: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.

Other hazards

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

no data available

SECTION 3: Composition / information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

not applicable

3.2 Mixtures

Hazardous ingredients GHS Classification in accordance with (SOR/2015-17)

Substance name	Concentration	Product identifier	Hazard classes and hazard categories
Formaldehyde	> 36 %	CAS No.: 50-00-0	Carc. 2 - H351 Acute Tox. 3 - H301+H311+H331 Skin Corr. 1B - H314 Skin Sens. 1 - H317
Methanol	15 - 16 %	CAS No.: 67-56-1	Flam. Liq. 2 - H225 Acute Tox. 3 - H301+H311+H331 STOT SE 1 - H370

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 General information

IF exposed: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. If unconscious place in recovery position and seek medical advice. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person or a person with cramps. Change contaminated, saturated clothing. Do not leave affected person unattended.

After inhalation

Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Remove casualty to fresh air and keep warm and at rest. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration.

In case of skin contact

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water and soap. Remove contaminated, saturated clothing immediately. Immediate medical treatment required because corrosive injuries that are not treated are hard to cure.

After eye contact

In case of contact with eyes flush immediately with plenty of flowing water for 10 to 15 minutes holding eyelids apart and consult an ophthalmologist. Protect uninjured eye. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

In case of ingestion

Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Do NOT induce vomiting. Rinse mouth thoroughly with water. Give nothing to eat or drink.

4.2 Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

no data available

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

no data available

4.4 Self-protection of the first aider

First aider: Pay attention to self-protection!

4.5 Information to physician

no data available

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Water spray
ABC-powder
Carbon dioxide (CO₂)
Nitrogen

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

no restriction

5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical

In case of fire may be liberated:
Carbon dioxide (CO₂)
Carbon monoxide

5.3 Advice for firefighters

DO NOT fight fire when fire reaches explosives. In case of fire: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

5.4 Additional information

Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses. Do not inhale explosion and combustion gases. Use caution when applying carbon dioxide in confined spaces. Carbon dioxide can displace oxygen. Use water spray/stream to protect personnel and to cool endangered containers.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Do not breath gas/vapor/spray. Provide adequate ventilation. Use personal protection equipment. In case of major fire and large quantities: Remove persons to safety. Wear a self-contained breathing apparatus and chemical protective clothing.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not allow to enter into surface water or drains. Make sure spills can be contained, e.g. in sump pallets or kerbed areas. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Spilled product must never be returned to the original container for recycling. Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations. Collect in closed and suitable containers for disposal.

6.4 Additional information

Clear spills immediately.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid: Inhalation Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Use extractor hood (laboratory). If handled uncovered, arrangements with local exhaust ventilation have to be used. If local exhaust ventilation is not possible or not sufficient, the entire working area must be ventilated by technical means. Protect from moisture.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

storage temperature: no data available
Storage class: no data available
Keep container tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

no data available

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

Ingredient (Designation)	Regulatory information	Country	Limit value type (country of origin)	Limit value
Methanol	Gestis	CA	LTV	262 mg/m ³ - 200 ppm
Methanol	Gestis	CA	STV	328 mg/m ³ - 250 ppm

8.2 Engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Technical measures and the application of suitable work processes have priority over personal protection equipment. If handled uncovered, arrangements with local exhaust ventilation have to be used.

Personal protection equipment (PPE)

Wear suitable protective clothing. When handling with chemical substances, protective clothing must be worn.

Eye/face protection

Eye glasses with side protection

Skin protection

When handling with chemical substances, protective gloves must be worn. In the case of wanting to use the gloves again, clean them before taking off and air them well. Recommended glove articles

By short-term hand contact

Suitable material:	NBR (Nitrile rubber)
Thickness of the glove material:	0,12 mm
Breakthrough time (maximum wearing time):	240-480 min

By long-term hand contact

Suitable material:	NBR (Nitrile rubber)
Thickness of the glove material:	0,38 mm
Breakthrough time (maximum wearing time):	-

Respiratory protection

Respiratory protection necessary at: aerosol or mist formation If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, NIOSH approved respiratory protection should be worn.

Additional information

Wash hands before breaks and after work. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Provide eye shower and label its location conspicuously.

Environmental exposure controls

no data available

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

(a) Appearance	
Physical state:	liquid
Color:	colorless
(b) Odour:	no data available
(c) Odour threshold:	no data available

Safety relevant basic data

(d) pH:	no data available
(e) Melting point/freezing point:	no data available
(f) Initial boiling point and boiling range:	no data available
(g) Flash point:	no data available
(h) Evaporation rate:	no data available
(i) Flammability (solid, gas):	Flammable liquid and vapour.
(j) Flammability or explosive limits	
Lower explosion limit:	no data available
Upper explosion limit:	no data available
(k) Vapour pressure:	no data available
(l) Vapour density:	no data available
(m) Relative density:	no data available
(n) Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility (g/L):	no data available
Soluble (g/L) in Ethanol:	no data available
(o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:	no data available
(p) Auto-ignition temperature:	no data available
(q) Decomposition temperature:	no data available
(r) Viscosity	
Kinematic viscosity:	no data available
Dynamic viscosity:	no data available
(s) Explosive properties:	not applicable
(t) Oxidising properties:	not applicable

9.2 Other information

Bulk density:	not applicable
Refraction index:	no data available
Dissociation constant:	no data available
Surface tension:	no data available
Henry constant:	no data available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air.

10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Formation of explosive mixtures with:

Oxidising agent

Nitrogen oxides (NO_x)

Material, oxygen-rich, combustible

Nitric acid

Chlorine

Bromine

Exothermic reaction with:

Reducing agent

Acid

Acid halides

Alkali (lye), concentrated

Violent reaction with:

Alkali metals

Alkaline earth metal

Formation of:

Hydrogen

10.4 Conditions to avoid

UV-radiation/sunlight

Heat

This material is combustible and can be ignited by heat, sparks, flames, or other sources of ignition (e.g. static electricity, pilot lights, or mechanical/electrical equipment).

10.5 Incompatible materials

light metals

Plastic articles

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

no data available

10.7 Additional information

Slowly corrodes aluminium and zinc under hydrogen evolution.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute effects

Acute oral toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LD50: > 100 mg/kg - Rat - (CHP)

Methanol - LD50: > 5628 mg/kg - Rat - (IUCLID)

Methanol - LDLo: > 143 mg/kg - Human - (RTECS)



Acute dermal toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LD50: > 270 mg/kg - Rabbit - (CHP)

Methanol - LD50: > 15800 mg/kg - Rabbit

Acute inhalation toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LC50: > 0.578 mg/l (4h) - Rat - (CHP)

Methanol - TClO: > 160 ppm (4h) - Human

Irritant and corrosive effects

Primary irritation to the skin:

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Irritation to eyes:

Causes serious eye damage.

Irritation to respiratory tract:

May cause respiratory irritation.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

In case of skin contact: Sensitising

After inhalation: not sensitising

STOT-single exposure

May cause respiratory irritation.

STOT-repeated exposure

not applicable

CMR effects (carcinogenicity, mutagenicity and toxicity for reproduction)

Carcinogenicity

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

no data available	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA

Germ cell mutagenicity

Suspected of causing genetic defects.

Reproductive toxicity

No indications of human reproductive toxicity exist.

Aspiration hazard

not applicable

Other adverse effects

no data available

Additional information

no data available

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Ecotoxicity

Fish toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LC50: 52.5 mg/l (96 h)

Methanol - LC50: 24000 mg/l (96 h) - Poirier, S.H., M.L. Knuth, C.D. Anderson-Buchou, L.T. Brooke, A.R. Lima, and P.J. Shubat 1986. Comparative Toxicity of Methanol and N,N-Dimethylformamide to Freshwater Fish and Invertebrates.

Bull.Environ.Contam.Toxicol. 37(4):615-621

Daphnia toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LC50: 1070 mg/l (48 h)

Formaldehyde - EC50: 14 mg/l (48 h)

Methanol - LC50: 3290 mg/l (48 h) - Guilhermino, L., T. Diamantino, M.C. Silva, and A.M.V.M. Soares 2000. Acute Toxicity Test with Daphnia magna: An Alternative to Mammals in the Prescreening of Chemical Toxicity?. Ecotoxicol.Environ.Saf. 46(3):357-362

Methanol - EC50: 24500 mg/l (48 h) - Randall, T.L., and P.V. Knopp 1980. Detoxification of Specific Organic Substances by Wet Oxidation. J.Water Pollut.Control Fed. 52(8):2117-2130

Algae toxicity:

no data available

Bacteria toxicity:

no data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability

no data available

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water: no data available

12.4 Mobility in soil:

no data available

12.5 Results of PBT/vPvB assessment

no data available

12.6 Other adverse effects

no data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Appropriate disposal / Product

Dispose according to legislation. Consult the appropriate local waste disposal expert about waste disposal.

Waste code product: no data available

Appropriate disposal / Package

Dispose according to legislation. Handle contaminated packages in the same way as the substance itself.

Additional information

no data available

SECTION 14: Transport information

Land transport (DOT)

UN-No.:	1198
Proper Shipping Name:	FORMALDEHYDE SOLUTION, FLAMMABLE
Class(es):	3
Classification code:	FC
Hazard label(s):	3+8
Packing group:	III
Environmental hazards:	No
Marine pollutant:	No
Special precautions for user:	

Sea transport (IMDG)

UN-No.:	1198
Proper Shipping Name:	FORMALDEHYDE SOLUTION, FLAMMABLE
Class(es):	3
Classification code:	
Hazard label(s):	3+8
Packing group:	III
Environmental hazards:	No
MARINE POLLUTANT:	no data available
Special precautions for user:	
Segregation group:	-
EmS-No.	F-E S-C
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code	
not relevant	

Air transport (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)

UN-No.:	1198
Proper Shipping Name:	FORMALDEHYDE SOLUTION, FLAMMABLE
Class(es):	3
Classification code:	
Hazard label(s):	3+8
Packing group:	III
Special precautions for user:	

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

Domestic Substance List:

SECTION 16: Other information

Abbreviations and acronyms

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
 DOT - Department of Transportation
 IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer
 IATA-DGR - International Air Transport Association-Dangerous Goods Regulations
 ICAO-TI - International Civil Aviation Organization-Technical Instructions
 IMDG - International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods
 LTV - Long Term Value
 NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
 NTP - National Toxicology Program
 OSHA - Occupational Safety & Health Administration
 PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
 PEL - Permissible Exposure Limit
 STV - Short Term Value
 SVHC - Substances of Very High Concern
 TLV - Threshold Limit Value
 vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative
 ADR - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
 AGS - Committee on Hazardous Substances (Ausschuss für Gefahrstoffe)
 CLP - Regulation on Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Substances and Mixtures
 DFG - German Research Foundation (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft)
 Gestis - Information system on hazardous substances of the German Social Accident Insurance (Gefahrstoffinformationssystem der Deutschen Gesetzlichen Unfallversicherung)
 RID - Regulation concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail

Additional information

Indication of changes: general update

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