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

### 1.1. Product identifier

Trade name/designation:	Toluene		
Product No.:	BDH83625		
Other means of identification: Methacide, Methylbenzene, Methylbenzol, Phenylmethane, Toluol			

# 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses: This product is recommended for laboratory and manufacturing use only. It is not recommended for drug, food or household use.

### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company	VWR International, LLC
	Radnor Corporate Center
	100 Matsonford Road
	Radnor, PA 19087-8660
Telephone	610.386.1700

### **1.4. Emergency Telephone number**

CHEMTREC	800.424.9300
CANUTEC	613.996.6666

# **SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

# 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

For the full text of the H-Statement(s) and R-phrase(s) mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

Hazard classes and hazard categories	Hazard statements
Flammable Liquids: GHS Category 2	H225
Skin Irritation: GHS Category 2	H315
Reproductive Toxicity: GHS Category 2	H361
Specific Target Organ Toxicity, Single	H336
Exposure: GHS Category 3	
Specific Target Organ Toxicity, Repeated	H373
Exposure: GHS Category 2	



Aspiration Hazard: GHS Category 2	H304
Acute Aquatic Toxicity: GHS Category 2	H401
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# 2.2. GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements



Pictograms: Signal word:

Hazard statements	
H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapor.
H304	May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H336	May cause drowsiness and dizziness.
H361	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
H373	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
H401	Toxic to aquatic life.

Precautionary statements	
P210	Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot
	surfaces. – No smoking.
P243	Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P303+P361+P353	If on skin or hair: Remove/take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P304+P341	IF INHALED: If breathing is difficult, remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse continuously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do – continue rinsing.

# 2.3. WHIMS Classification

Flammable liquid, very toxic material

# **2.4. Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS or WHIMS** None



# **SECTION 3: Composition / information on ingredients**

### 3.1. Hazard components

Chemical name	Formula	Molecular weight	CAS#	Weight%
Toluene	$C_6H_5CH_3$	92.14	108-88-3	100%

### **SECTION 4: First aid measures**

#### 4.1. General information

#### In case of inhalation

Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

#### In case of skin contact

Remove any contaminated clothing. Wash skin with water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

#### In case of eye contact

Check for and remove contact lenses. Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Get medical attention. **In case of ingestion** 

# In case of ingestion

Potential aspiration hazard if swallowed. Get medial help immediately. Do not induce vomiting unless directed by medical personnel. If vomiting occurs naturally, have victim lean forward. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

#### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Causes irritation to eyes, skin, and respiratory tract. Breathing vapors may cause drowsiness and dizziness. May be absorbed through intact skin. Aspiration hazard. May be harmful if swallowed. Can enter lungs and cause damage. May cause central nervous system effects. Possible risk to unborn children. May cause liver and kidney damage. Target Organs: Kidneys, central nervous system, liver, respiratory system eyes, and skin.

#### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Causes cardiac sensitization to endogenous catelcholamines which may lead to cardiac arrhythmias. Do NOT use adrenergic agents such as epinephrine and pseudoepinepherne.

### **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media



Use water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or appropriate foam. Solid streams of water may be ineffective and spread material.

# 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

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# 5.3. Special protective equipment for firefighters

As in any fire, always wear self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand (MSA/NIOSH approved or equivalent), and full protective gear.

### 5.4. Hazardous combustion products

May decompose into irritating and highly toxic gases under fire conditions (carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide).

### 5.5. Advice for firefighters

Use water spray to keep fire exposed containers cool. Approach fire from upwind to avoid hazardous vapors and toxic decomposition products. Vapors are heavier than air and may travel to a source of ignition and flash back. Vapors can spread along the ground and collect in low or confined areas. This liquid floats on water and may travel to a source of ignition and spread the fire.

#### 5.6. Additional information

Water run-off can cause environmental damage and should be collected and confined.

#### **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

## 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Always use proper personal protective equipment as described in section 8.

#### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains, sewers, or streams.

## 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Use water spray to reduce vapors. Water spray may reduce vapors but still not prevent ignition in closed spaces. Absorb spilled liquid with sorbent pads, socks, or other inert material such as vermiculite, sand, or earth. Do not use sawdust or any combustible material. Use spark-proof tools. Provide ventilation to the affected area and remove all ignition sources. Approach the spill from upwind and pick up absorbed material and place it in a suitable container.

#### 6.4. Additional information

None

#### SECTION 7: Handling and storage



# 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Always use proper personal protective equipment as described in section 8. Wash thoroughly after handling. Ground and bond containers when transferring material. Use spark-proof tools and explosion proof equipment. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Empty containers contain product residue (liquid and vapor) and can be dangerous. Keep container tightly closed and away from heat, spark, and flame. Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose empty containers to heat, sparks, or open flames. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing vapor or mist.

## 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep in a flammables area away in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Keep away from sources of ignition. Separate from oxidizing materials.

## 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Apart from those mentioned in Section 1.2, no other uses are stipulated.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

#### 8.1. Control parameters

Chemical Name	Limit value type & Country of Origin	Exposure Limit value	Source
Toluene	TWA - US	20 ppm	ACGIH
	TWA - US	100 ppm	NIOSH
		375 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
	IDLH - US	500 ppm	NIOSH
	TWA - US	100 ppm 375 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	OSHA PEL

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

## Appropriate engineering controls

Use explosion-proof ventilation equipment. Facilities storing or using the material should be equipped with eyewash station and a safety shower. Use adequate general or local exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below the permissible exposure limits.

#### Personal protection equipment

## Eye/face protection

Wear protective chemical goggles or other appropriate eye protection.

#### Skin protection

Use appropriate gloves and protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.



### **Respiratory protection**

A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or European Standard EN 149 must be followed whenever possible. Always use a NIOSH or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator when necessary.

#### **Hygiene measures**

Use good hygiene and safety practices when using this product. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of the work day.

## **SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

- a) Appearance
  Physical state: Liquid
  Color: Clear, colorless
- b) Odor: Sweetish, pleasant odor benzene-like
- c) Odor Threshold: 2.9 ppm
- d) pH: No information available.
- e) Melting point/freezing point: -95° C
- f) Initial boiling point and boiling range: 110.6° C
- g) Flash point: 4° C (39.2° F)
- h) Evaporation rate: 2.4
- i) Flammability (solid, gas): No information available.
- j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits: Lower Limit- 1.1 vol %, Upper Limit 7.1 vol %
- k) Vapor pressure: 28.4 mm Hg @ 25° C
- l) Vapor density: 3.1
- m) Relative density: 0.86g/cm<sup>3</sup>
- n) Solubility: Insoluble
- o) Partition coefficient (n-Octanol/Water): No information available.
- p) Auto-ignition temperature: 480° C (896° F)
- q) Decomposition temperature: No information available.
- r) Viscosity: 0.59 cps 20° C
- s) Explosive properties: No information available.
- t) Oxidizing properties: No information available.

#### 9.2. Other information

Conductivity: Nonconductive; Conductivity = <1 pS/m; Dielectric Constant = 2.38; Relaxation Time Constant = 21 seconds

### **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

#### 10.1. Reactivity

No information available.



**10.2. Chemical stability** Stable under normal temperature and pressure.

# 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

## 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Ignition sources, excess heat, confined spaces.

## 10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents

# **10.6. Hazardous decomposition products** Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide.

# **SECTION 11: Toxicology**

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

Oral LD<sub>50</sub>: rat, 636 mg/kg Inhalation LC<sub>50</sub>: rat, 49 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 4 hr. Dermal LD<sub>50</sub>: rabbit, 14,100 mg/kg Other information on acute toxicity: None

Skin corrosion/irritation

skin - rabbit; Result - moderate skin irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eye – rabbit; Result – mild eye irritation

**Respiratory or skin sensitization** 

No information available.

Germ cell mutagenicity

No information available.

Carcinogenicity

Not listed as a carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65

## **Reproductive toxicity**

Many reports of reproductive effects of toluene abuse or heavy occupational exposure are confounded by mixed solvent exposure or fetal alcohol syndrome. In women exposed to toluene in lab work, the risk of spontaneous abortion increased 4.7 times.

## Specific target organ toxicity-single exposure

No information available.

Specific target organ toxicity-repeated exposure

No information available.

# Aspiration hazard



No information available. Additional information No information available.

# **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

## 12.1. Ecotoxicity

Bluegill: LC50 = 17 mg/L/24H; Shrimp: LC50 = 4.3 ppm/96H; Fathead minnow: LC50 = 36.2 mg/L/96H; Sunfish (Fresh water): TLm = 1180 mg/L/96H

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Readily biodegradable. When released to soil, product is expected to evaporate and be microbially biodegraded. In water, product is expected to biodegrade and volatilize.

### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No information available.

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

No information available.

#### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

No information available.

# 12.6. Other adverse effects

No information available.

# **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Material that cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be managed in an appropriate and approved waste facility. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. Waste generators must decide if discarded material is a hazardous waste. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal definitions found in 40 CFR 261.3. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements. This material is a "U" listed waste (U220).

## **Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

# **SECTION 14: Transport information**



## Land Transport DOT (U.S.)

UN Number: UN1294 Proper Shipping name: Toluene Transport Hazard Classes Class: 3 Hazard Label(s): 3 Packing Group: II Environmental hazard(s): None Special precautions for user: None

# Sea Transport IMDG

UN Number: UN1294 Proper Shipping name: Toluene Transport Hazard Classes Class: 3 Hazard Label(s): 3 EMS- No.: F-E, S-D Packing Group: II Environmental hazard(s): None Segregation Group: None Special precautions for user: None

# Air Transport IATA

UN Number: UN1294 Proper Shipping name: Toluene Transport Hazard Classes Class: 3 Hazard Label(s): 3 Packing Group: II Environmental hazard(s): None Special precautions for user: None

# **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

**OSHA Hazards** Not considered highly hazardous by OSHA.



SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances Does not have a TPQ. SARA 313 (TRI reporting) Toluene (CAS# 108-88-3) is subject to SARA Title III Section 313 and 40 CFR 373 reporting requirements SARA 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals CAS# 108-88-3; immediate, fire Massachusetts Right-To-Know Substance List Toluene, CAS# 108-88-3, Revision Date - 7/1/2007 Pennsylvania Right-To-Know Hazardous substances Toluene, CAS# 108-88-3, Revision Date - 7/1/2007 New Jersey Worker and Community Right-To-Know Components Toluene, CAS# 108-88-3, Revision Date – 7/1/2007 **California Proposition 65** This product contains toluene, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

Inventory status Canada DSL/NDSL Inventory List: Yes US TSCA Inventory List: Yes EINECS, ELINCS or NLP: 203-625-9

### **SECTION 16: Other information**

Full text of H-Statement(s) and R-phrase(s) Full text of H-Statement(s) and R-phrase(s)

See Section 2 Canadian Carcinogenicity hazard class: No information available. PHNOC hazard class: B2 HHNOC hazard class: D2A, D2B Biohazardous Infectious Materials hazard class: No information available.

NFPA Rating: Health: 2 Flammability: 3 Reactivity: 0 Special Hazard: None





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