

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Methyl Cellulose  
**Cat No. :** M352-500  
**CAS-No** 9004-67-5  
**Synonyms** Cellulose Methylate; Hydrolose; Methocel  
**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

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

##### Company

Fisher Scientific  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

##### **Emergency Telephone Number**

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

Classification under 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### Label Elements

None required

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Methylcellulose	9004-67-5	~ 100

### 4. First-aid measures

#### **Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Obtain medical attention.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical attention.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	No information available.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

None known

### 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

<b>Health</b> 1	<b>Flammability</b> 0	<b>Instability</b> 0	<b>Physical hazards</b> N/A
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## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	See Section 12 for additional ecological information.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** No information available.

## 7. Handling and storage

<b>Handling</b>	Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not breathe dust. Ensure adequate ventilation. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

<b>Exposure Guidelines</b>	This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.
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**Engineering Measures** Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eye/face Protection** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin and body protection** Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection** 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.

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	Off-white
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	Not applicable
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	No data available
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	negligible
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	negligible
<b>Vapor Density</b>	No information available
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	No information available
<b>Solubility</b>	Soluble in water
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	No information available
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C7H14O5 X

## 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>	Incompatible products. Temperatures above 130°C.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	None under normal use conditions
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

**Acute Toxicity**

**Oral LD50** Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.  
**Dermal LD50** Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.  
**Mist LC50** Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 5 mg/l.

**Component Information**  
**Toxicologically Synergistic Products**

No information available

**Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure**

**Irritation** May cause eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritation

**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
Methylcellulose	9004-67-5	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** None known

**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** 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
Methylcellulose	Not listed	Oryzias latipes: LC50: >1000 mg/L/48h	Not listed	Not listed

**Persistence and Degradability** No information available

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** No information available.

## 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	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Methylcellulose	X	X	-	-	-		X	X	X	X	X

#### Legend:

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

### U.S. Federal Regulations

<b>TSCA 12(b)</b>	Not applicable
<b>SARA 313</b>	Not applicable
<b>SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories</b>	See section 2 for more information
<b>CWA (Clean Water Act)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Clean Air Act</b>	Not applicable
<b>OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration</b>	Not applicable
<b>CERCLA</b>	Not applicable
<b>California Proposition 65</b>	This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals
<b>U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations</b>	Not applicable

### U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ):	N
DOT Marine Pollutant	N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N

### U.S. Department of Homeland Security

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

### Other International Regulations

<b>Mexico - Grade</b>	No information available
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## 16. Other information

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