

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name 2-Butanone

Cat No. : L13185

CAS-No 78-93-3
Synonyms Methyl ethyl ketone; MEK; Ethyl methyl ketone

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

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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 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Central nervous system (CNS).	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Kidney, Liver.	
Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified	Category 1
Prolonged or repeated contact may dry skin and cause irritation or cracking	

Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

Highly flammable liquid and vapor
Causes serious eye irritation
May cause drowsiness and dizziness

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure
Prolonged or repeated contact may dry skin and cause irritation or cracking



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

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 explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/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 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
Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell
In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish

Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
Store locked up

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Methyl ethyl ketone	78-93-3	>95

4. First-aid measures

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. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Inhalation	Move to fresh air. Get medical attention if symptoms occur. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
Ingestion	Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical attention.
Most important symptoms/effects	Breathing difficulties. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like

Notes to Physician headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	CO ₂ , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam. Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	Water may be ineffective
Flash Point	-7 °C / 19.4 °F
Method -	Closed cup
Autoignition Temperature	404 °C / 759.2 °F
Explosion Limits	
Upper	11.4 vol %
Lower	1.4 vol %
Oxidizing Properties	Not oxidising
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

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

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 2	Flammability 3	Instability 1	Physical hazards N/A
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6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Use personal protective equipment. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation.
Environmental Precautions	Avoid release to the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.
Methods for Containment and Clean Up	Remove all sources of ignition. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

7. Handling and storage

Handling	Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Use only non-sparking tools. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded.
Storage	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Flammables area.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Methyl ethyl ketone	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 590 mg/m ³ STEL: 300 ppm STEL: 885 mg/m ³	TWA: 50 ppm STEL: 100 ppm	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 300 ppm	TWA: 50 ppm TWA: 150 mg/m ³ STEL: 100 ppm STEL: 300 mg/m ³	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 300 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 200 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 590 mg/m ³ (Vacated) STEL: 300 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 885 mg/m ³ TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 590 mg/m ³	IDLH: 3000 ppm TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 590 mg/m ³ STEL: 300 ppm STEL: 885 mg/m ³

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

Engineering Measures

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment. 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

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Butyl rubber	< 60 minutes	0.5 mm	Permeation rate 36 µg/cm ² /min 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 compatibility, 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.

Recommended Filter type: Type A Organic gases and vapours filter Brown conforming to EN14387

Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Liquid
Appearance	Colorless
Odor	Characteristic - sweet
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	No information available
Melting Point/Range	-87 °C / -124.6 °F
Boiling Point/Range	80 °C / 176 °F
Flash Point	-7 °C / 19.4 °F
Method -	Closed cup
Evaporation Rate	3.7
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	11.4 vol %
Lower	1.4 vol %
Vapor Pressure	105 mbar @ 20 °C
Vapor Density	2.41
Specific Gravity	0.806
Solubility	Soluble in water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	404 °C / 759.2 °F
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	0.42 mPa.s @ 15°C
Molecular Formula	C4 H8 O
Molecular Weight	72.11

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Hygroscopic.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Exposure to moist air or water.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases, Strong reducing agents, Ammonia, copper, Amines
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

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Methyl ethyl ketone	LD50 = 2483 mg/kg (Rat) LD50 = 2737 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 5000 mg/kg (Rabbit) LD50 = 6480 mg/kg (Rabbit)	LC50 = 11700 ppm (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 Irritating to eyes

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
Methyl ethyl ketone	78-93-3	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Mutagenic Effects Not mutagenic in AMES Test

Reproductive Effects No information available.

Developmental Effects No information available.

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure Central nervous system (CNS)

STOT - repeated exposure Kidney Liver

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like 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

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Methyl ethyl ketone	Not listed	Lepomis macrochirus: LC50=3,22 g/L 96 h	EC50 = 3403 mg/L 30 min EC50 = 3426 mg/L 5 min	EC50: 4025 - 6440 mg/L, 48h Static (Daphnia magna) EC50: = 5091 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna) EC50: > 520 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)

Persistence and Degradability Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility.

Component	log Pow
Methyl ethyl ketone	0.29

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
Methyl ethyl ketone - 78-93-3	U159	-

14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No

UN1193

Proper Shipping Name	Ethyl methyl ketone
Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	II
TDG	
UN-No	UN1193
Proper Shipping Name	ETHYL METHYL KETONE
Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	II
IATA	
UN-No	UN1193
Proper Shipping Name	Methyl ethyl ketone
Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	II
IMDG/IMO	
UN-No	UN1193
Proper Shipping Name	Ethyl methyl ketone (Methyl ethyl ketone)
Hazard Class	3
Packing Group	II

15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

International Inventories

Component	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Methyl ethyl ketone	X	-	X	201-159-0	-		X	X	X	X	X

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)
Methyl ethyl ketone	Part 1, Group A Substance Part 5, Individual Substances		

16. Other information

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