

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Phthalic anhydride

Product Number : 320064  
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich  
Index-No. : 607-009-00-4

CAS-No. : 85-44-9

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

Company : Sigma-Aldrich  
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USA

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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

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**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315

Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

Respiratory sensitisation (Category 1), H334

Skin sensitisation (Category 1), H317

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3), H402

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

**2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements**

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H302

Harmful if swallowed.

H315

Causes skin irritation.

H317

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H318

Causes serious eye damage.

H334

May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

H335

May cause respiratory irritation.

H402

Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)	
P261	Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P272	Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P285	In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.
P301 + P312 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.
P302 + P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304 + P340 + P312	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P333 + P313	If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P342 + P311	If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Formula	: C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
Molecular weight	: 148.12 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 85-44-9
EC-No.	: 201-607-5
Index-No.	: 607-009-00-4

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Phthalic anhydride</b>	Acute Tox. 4; Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Dam. 1; Resp. Sens. 1; Skin Sens. 1; STOT SE 3; Aquatic Acute 3; H302, H315, H317, H318, H334, H335, H402	<= 100 %

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

**If swallowed**

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

**4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

No data available

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**5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES****5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

No data available

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

**5.4 Further information**

No data available

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

For personal protection see section 8.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

**6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

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**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

For precautions see section 2.2.

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

**7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION****8.1 Control parameters**

**Components with workplace control parameters**

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Phthalic anhydride	85-44-9	TWA	1.000000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation Skin irritation Adopted values or notations enclosed are those for which changes are proposed in the NIC See Notice of Intended Changes (NIC) Not classifiable as a human carcinogen Sensitizer		
		TWA	1.000000 ppm 6.000000 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		TWA	2.000000 ppm 12.000000 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		
		TWA	1 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Dermal Sensitization Respiratory sensitization Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation Skin irritation 2015 Adoption Not classifiable as a human carcinogen		
		PEL	1 ppm 6 mg/m3	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)

## 8.2 Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

#### Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

### Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance	Form: flakes Colour: white
b) Odour	No data available
c) Odour Threshold	No data available
d) pH	2 at 6 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)
e) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: 131 - 134 °C (268 - 273 °F) - lit.
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	284 °C (543 °F) - lit.
g) Flash point	152 °C (306 °F) - closed cup
h) Evaporation rate	No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Upper explosion limit: 10.4 %(V) Lower explosion limit: 1.7 %(V)
k) Vapour pressure	< 0.01 hPa (< 0.01 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)
l) Vapour density	No data available
m) Relative density	1.53 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 20 °C (68 °F)
n) Water solubility	16.4 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F) - soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 1.6 at 20 °C (68 °F)
p) Auto-ignition temperature	580 °C (1,076 °F)
q) Decomposition temperature	No data available
r) Viscosity	No data available
s) Explosive properties	No data available
t) Oxidizing properties	No data available

### 9.2 Other safety information

Surface tension	32.7 mN/m at 180 °C (356 °F)
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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid moisture.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong acids, Strong bases, Strong oxidizing agents, Strong reducing agents

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - male - 1,530 mg/kg

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - 4 h - > 2.14 mg/l  
(OECD Test Guideline 403)

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - > 10,000 mg/kg

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Mild skin irritation - 24 h

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Moderate eye irritation  
(Draize Test)

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Maximisation Test - Guinea pig

May cause allergic skin reaction.

(OECD Test Guideline 406)

in vivo assay - Guinea pig

May cause allergic respiratory reaction.

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

reverse mutation assay

S. typhimurium

Result: negative

#### Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

**Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**Additional Information**

Repeated dose toxicity  
Rat - male and female - Oral - NOAEL : 500 mg/kg

RTECS: TI3150000

prolonged or repeated exposure can cause:, Liver injury may occur., Kidney injury may occur., Exposure to and/or consumption of alcohol may increase toxic effects., To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish                      semi-static test LC50 - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - 560 mg/l - 7 d

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates                      Immobilization EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - > 640 mg/l - 48 h

Toxicity to algae                      EC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae) - 60 - 350 mg/l - 96 h

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability                      Biotic/Aerobic - Exposure time 14 d  
Result: 85 % - Readily biodegradable  
(OECD Test Guideline 301)

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

No data available

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

**12.6 Other adverse effects**

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.  
Harmful to aquatic life.

No data available

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****13.1 Waste treatment methods****Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

UN number: 3077      Class: 9      Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Environmentally hazardous substances, solid, n.o.s. (Phthalic anhydride)  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 5000 lbs

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

Not dangerous goods

### IATA

Not dangerous goods

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### SARA 302 Components

No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

### SARA 313 Components

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

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Phthalic anhydride	85-44-9	2007-07-01

### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Phthalic anhydride	85-44-9	2007-07-01

### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Phthalic anhydride	85-44-9	2007-07-01

### New Jersey Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Phthalic anhydride	85-44-9	2007-07-01

### California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Aquatic Acute	Acute aquatic toxicity
Eye Dam.	Serious eye damage
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H334	May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H402	Harmful to aquatic life.
Resp. Sens.	Respiratory sensitisation
Skin Irrit.	Skin irritation

**HMIS Rating**

Health hazard: 2  
Chronic Health Hazard: \*  
Flammability: 1  
Physical Hazard 0

**NFPA Rating**

Health hazard: 2  
Fire Hazard: 1  
Reactivity Hazard: 0

**Further information**

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