# ColorSpec Acrylic Clear Coat, 400g (Colorspec Acrylic Clear Coat) Motor Active

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Safety Data Sheet according to WHS Regulations (Hazardous Chemicals) Amendment 2020 and ADG requirements

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

#### **Product Identifier**

Product name	ColorSpec Acrylic Clear Coat, 400g (Colorspec Acrylic Clear Coat)	
Chemical Name	Not Applicable	
Synonyms	Part No: CSCC400G	
Proper shipping name AEROSOLS		
Chemical formula	Not Applicable	
Other means of identification	Not Available	

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

	Aerosol for Industrial and Commercial Use.
Relevant identified uses	Application is by spray atomisation from a hand held aerosol pack
	Use according to manufacturer's directions.

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

	<u> </u>
Registered company name	Motor Active
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## Emergency telephone number

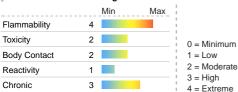
Association / Organisation	MotorActive	
Emergency telephone numbers		
Other emergency telephone numbers		

# **SECTION 2 Hazards identification**

### Classification of the substance or mixture

# HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL. DANGEROUS GOODS. According to the WHS Regulations and the ADG Code.

# ChemWatch Hazard Ratings



Poisons Schedule	S5
Classification [1]	Aerosols Category 1, Aspiration Hazard Category 1, Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2, Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1, Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure (Narcotic Effects) Category 3, Reproductive Toxicity Category 1B, Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment Acute Hazard Category 3, Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment Long-Term Hazard Category 2
Legend:	1. Classified by Chemwatch: 2. Classification drawn from HCIS: 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (FU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI

# Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)











Signal word

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# Hazard statement(s)

H222+H229	Extremely flammable aerosol. Pressurized container: may burst if heated.	
H304	May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.	
H315	Causes skin irritation.	
H318	Causes serious eye damage.	
H336	May cause drowsiness or dizziness.	
H360	May damage fertility or the unborn child.	
H402	Harmful to aquatic life.	
H411	H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.	
AUH044	Risk of explosion if heated under confinement.	

# Supplementary statement(s)

Not Applicable

# CLP classification (additional)

Not Applicable

# Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

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P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
P211	Do not spray on an open flame or other ignition source.
P251	Do not pierce or burn, even after use.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection and face protection.
P261	Avoid breathing mist/vapours/spray.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P264	Wash all exposed external body areas thoroughly after handling.

#### Precautionary statement(s) Response

P301+P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician/first aider.	
P331	P331 Do NOT induce vomiting.	
P305+P351+P338	P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.	
P308+P313	P308+P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.	
P391	P391 Collect spillage.	
P302+P352	P302+P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.	
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.	
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.	
P362+P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.	

# Precautionary statement(s) Storage

	P405	Store locked up.
P410+P412 Protect from sunlight. Do not expose to temperatures exceeding 50 °C/122 °F.		Protect from sunlight. Do not expose to temperatures exceeding 50 °C/122 °F.
	P403+P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

# Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/container to authorised hazardous or special waste collection point in accordance with any local regulation.

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

# Substances

See section below for composition of Mixtures

### Mixtures

CAS No	%[weight]	Name
1330-20-7	10-20	xylene
67-64-1	10-20	acetone
123-86-4	<10	n-butyl acetate
108-88-3	<10	toluene
108-65-6	<10	propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer
85-68-7	<10	butyl benzyl phthalate
78-83-1	<5	<u>isobutanol</u>
Not Available	balance	Ingredients determined not to be hazardous

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CAS No	%[weight]	Name
115-10-6	30-60	dimethyl ether
Legend:		h; 2. Classification drawn from HClS; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI; 4. C&L * EU IOELVs available

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

#### Description of first aid measures

Eye Contact	If aerosols come in contact with the eyes:  Immediately hold the eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously for at least 15 minutes with fresh running water.  Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.  Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.  Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.
Skin Contact	If solids or aerosol mists are deposited upon the skin:  Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).  Remove any adhering solids with industrial skin cleansing cream.  DO NOT use solvents.  Seek medical attention in the event of irritation.
Inhalation	If aerosols, fumes or combustion products are inhaled:
Ingestion	<ul> <li>Avoid giving milk or oils.</li> <li>Avoid giving alcohol.</li> <li>Not considered a normal route of entry.</li> <li>If spontaneous vomiting appears imminent or occurs, hold patient's head down, lower than their hips to help avoid possible aspiration of vomitus.</li> </ul>

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

Treat symptomatically for lower alkyl ethers: BASIC TREATMENT

- ▶ Establish a patent airway with suction where necessary.
- Watch for signs of respiratory insufficiency and assist ventilation as necessary.
- Administer oxygen by non-rebreather mask at 10 to 15 l/min.
- A low-stimulus environment must be maintained.
- Monitor and treat, where necessary, for shock.
- Anticipate and treat, where necessary, for seizures.
- DO NOT use emetics. Where ingestion is suspected rinse mouth and give up to 200 ml water (5 ml/kg recommended) for dilution where patient is able to swallow, has a strong gag reflex and does not drool.

#### ADVANCED TREATMENT

- Consider orotracheal or nasotracheal intubation for airway control in unconscious patient or where respiratory arrest has occurred.
- Positive-pressure ventilation using a bag-valve mask might be of use
- Monitor and treat, where necessary, for arrhythmias.
- Start an IV D5W TKO. If signs of hypovolaemia are present use lactated Ringers solution. Fluid overload might create complications.
- Drug therapy should be considered for pulmonary oedema.
- Hypotension without signs of hypovolaemia may require vasopressors.
- Treat seizures with diazepam.
- Proparacaine hydrochloride should be used to assist eye irrigation

**EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT** 

- Laboratory analysis of complete blood count, serum electrolytes, BUN, creatinine, glucose, urinalysis, baseline for serum aminotransferases (ALT and AST), calcium, phosphorus and magnesium, may assist in establishing a treatment regime. Other useful analyses include anion and osmolar gaps, arterial blood gases (ABGs), chest radiographs and electrocardiograph.
- Figure 1. Ethers may produce anion gap acidosis. Hyperventilation and bicarbonate therapy might be indicated.
- Haemodialysis might be considered in patients with impaired renal function.
- Consult a toxicologist as necessary

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for simple ketones:

# BASIC TREATMENT

- ▶ Establish a patent airway with suction where necessary.
- Watch for signs of respiratory insufficiency and assist ventilation as necessary.
- Administer oxygen by non-rebreather mask at 10 to 15 l/min.
- Monitor and treat, where necessary, for pulmonary oedema .
- Monitor and treat, where necessary, for shock.
- DO NOT use emetics. Where ingestion is suspected rinse mouth and give up to 200 ml water (5mL/kg recommended) for dilution where patient is able to swallow, has a strong gag reflex and does not drool.
- Give activated charcoal.

ADVANCED TREATMENT

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- ▶ Consider orotracheal or nasotracheal intubation for airway control in unconscious patient or where respiratory arrest has occurred.
- Consider intubation at first sign of upper airway obstruction resulting from oedema
- Positive-pressure ventilation using a bag-valve mask might be of use.
- Monitor and treat, where necessary, for arrhythmias.
- Start an IV D5W TKO. If signs of hypovolaemia are present use lactated Ringers solution. Fluid overload might create complications.
- Drug therapy should be considered for pulmonary oedema
- Hypotension with signs of hypovolaemia requires the cautious administration of fluids. Fluid overload might create complications.
- Treat seizures with diazepam
- Proparacaine hydrochloride should be used to assist eye irrigation.

# **EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT**

- Laboratory analysis of complete blood count, serum electrolytes, BUN, creatinine, glucose, urinalysis, baseline for serum aminotransferases (ALT and AST), calcium, phosphorus and magnesium, may assist in establishing a treatment regime. Other useful analyses include anion and osmolar gaps, arterial blood gases (ABGs), chest radiographs and electrocardiograph.
- Positive end-expiratory pressure (PEEP)-assisted ventilation may be required for acute parenchymal injury or adult respiratory distress syndrome.
- Consult a toxicologist as necessary

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For acute or short term repeated exposures to xylene

- Gastro-intestinal absorption is significant with ingestions. For ingestions exceeding 1-2 ml (xylene)/kg, intubation and lavage with cuffed endotracheal tube is recommended. The use of charcoal and cathartics is equivocal.
- Pulmonary absorption is rapid with about 60-65% retained at rest
- Primary threat to life from ingestion and/or inhalation, is respiratory failure.
- Patients should be quickly evaluated for signs of respiratory distress (e.g. cyanosis, tachypnoea, intercostal retraction, obtundation) and given oxygen. Patients with inadequate tidal volumes or poor arterial blood gases (pO2 < 50 mm Hg or pCO2 > 50 mm Hg) should be intubated.
- Arrhythmias complicate some hydrocarbon ingestion and/or inhalation and electrocardiographic evidence of myocardial injury has been reported; intravenous lines and cardiac monitors should be established in obviously symptomatic patients. The lungs excrete inhaled solvents, so that hyperventilation improves clearance
- A chest x-ray should be taken immediately after stabilisation of breathing and circulation to document aspiration and detect the presence of pneumothorax.
- Epinephrine (adrenalin) is not recommended for treatment of bronchospasm because of potential myocardial sensitisation to catecholamines. Inhaled cardioselective bronchodilators (e.g., Alupent, Salbutamol) are the preferred agents, with aminophylline a second choice,

**BIOLOGICAL EXPOSURE INDEX - BEI** 

These represent the determinants observed in specimens collected from a healthy worker exposed at the Exposure Standard (ES or TLV):

Sampling Time Determinant Index Methylhippu-ric acids in urine End of shift 1.5 gm/gm creatinine Last 4 hrs of shift 2 mg/min

# **SECTION 5 Firefighting measures**

# **Extinguishing media**

SMALL FIRE:

► Water spray, dry chemical or CO2

LARGE FIRE:

Water spray or fog.

#### Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

Fire Fighting

Fire Incompatibility ▶ Avoid contamination with oxidising agents i.e. nitrates, oxidising acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result

#### Advice for firefighters

- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- May be violently or explosively reactive
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- If safe, switch off electrical equipment until vapour fire hazard removed.
- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area. DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.
- Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.
- If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.
- Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.
- Liquid and vapour are highly flammable. Severe fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.
  - Vapour forms an explosive mixture with air.
  - Severe explosion hazard, in the form of vapour, when exposed to flame or spark. Vapour may travel a considerable distance to source of ignition

  - Heating may cause expansion or decomposition with violent container rupture.
  - Aerosol cans may explode on exposure to naked flames. Rupturing containers may rocket and scatter burning materials.
  - Hazards may not be restricted to pressure effects.
  - May emit acrid, poisonous or corrosive fumes ▶ On combustion, may emit toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO).

Combustion products include:

carbon dioxide (CO2)

other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.

Contains low boiling substance: Closed containers may rupture due to pressure buildup under fire conditions.

carbon monoxide (CO)

# **HAZCHEM**

Fire/Explosion Hazard

Not Applicable

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

# Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

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#### **Environmental precautions**

See section 12

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

**Minor Spills** 

- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing vapours and contact with skin and eyes.
- Wear protective clothing, impervious gloves and safety glasses.
- ▶ Shut off all possible sources of ignition and increase ventilation.
- ▶ Wipe up.
  - If safe, damaged cans should be placed in a container outdoors, away from all ignition sources, until pressure has dissipated.
  - Undamaged cans should be gathered and stowed safely.
  - ▶ DO NOT exert excessive pressure on valve; DO NOT attempt to operate damaged valve.
  - ► Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
  - Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
  - May be violently or explosively reactive.
  - Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
  - Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses
  - No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
  - Increase ventilation.
  - Stop leak if safe to do so.
  - ▶ Water spray or fog may be used to disperse / absorb vapour.
  - Absorb or cover spill with sand, earth, inert materials or vermiculite.
  - If safe, damaged cans should be placed in a container outdoors, away from ignition sources, until pressure has dissipated.
  - Undamaged cans should be gathered and stowed safely.
  - ▶ Collect residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.

Chemical Class: aromatic hydrocarbons

For release onto land: recommended sorbents listed in order of priority.

SORBENT TYPE	RANK	APPLICATION	COLLECTION	LIMITATIONS
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#### LAND SPILL - SMALL

Feathers - pillow	1	throw	pitchfork	DGC, RT
cross-linked polymer - particulate	2	shovel	shovel	R,W,SS
cross-linked polymer- pillow	2	throw	pitchfork	R, DGC, RT
sorbent clay - particulate	3	shovel	shovel	R, I, P,
treated clay/ treated natural organic - particulate	3	shovel	shovel	R, I
wood fibre - pillow	4	throw	pitchfork	R, P, DGC, RT

#### LAND SPILL - MEDIUM

cross-linked polymer -particulate	1	blower	skiploader	R, W, SS
treated clay/ treated natural organic - particulate	2	blower	skiploader	R, I
sorbent clay - particulate	3	blower	skiploader	R, I, P
polypropylene - particulate	3	blower	skiploader	W, SS, DGC
feathers - pillow	3	throw	skiploader	DGC, RT
expanded mineral - particulate	4	blower	skiploader	R, I, W, P, DGC

# **Major Spills**

Legend DGC: Not effective where ground cover is dense

R; Not reusable

I: Not incinerable

P: Effectiveness reduced when rainy

RT:Not effective where terrain is rugged

SS: Not for use within environmentally sensitive sites

W: Effectiveness reduced when windy

Reference: Sorbents for Liquid Hazardous Substance Cleanup and Control;

R.W Melvold et al: Pollution Technology Review No. 150: Noyes Data Corporation 1988

Chemical Class: ketones

For release onto land: recommended sorbents listed in order of priority.

SORBENT TYPE	RANK	APPLICA	TION	COLL	ECTION	LIMITATIONS
LAND SPILL - SMALL						
cross-linked	polymer - ¡	particulate	1	shovel	shovel	R, W, SS
cross-linked	polymer - p	illow	1	throw	pitchfork	R, DGC, RT
sorbent clay	- particulate	е	2	shovel	shovel	R,I, P
wood fiber - p	oillow		3	throw	pitchfork	R, P, DGC, RT
treated wood	treated wood fiber - pillow		3	throw	pitchfork	DGC, RT
foamed glass	s - pillow		4	throw	pitchfork	R, P, DGC, RT
LAND SPILL -	MEDIUM					
cross-linked	polymer - p	articulate	1	blower	skipload	er R,W, SS
cross-linked	polymer - ¡	pillow	2	throw	skipload	er R, DGC, RT
sorbent clay	- particulate	е	3	blower	skipload	er R, I, P
polypropylen	e - particula	ate	3	blower	skipload	er R, SS, DGC
expanded mi	neral - part	iculate	4	blower	skipload	er R, I, W, P, DGC

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polypropylene - mat skiploader DGC, RT

Legend

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- Clear area of all unprotected personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Emergency Authority and advise them of the location and nature of hazard.
- ▶ May be violently or explosively reactive.
- Wear full body clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent by any means available, spillage from entering drains and water-courses.
- Consider evacuation.
- Shut off all possible sources of ignition and increase ventilation.
- No smoking or naked lights within area.
- Use extreme caution to prevent violent reaction.
- Stop leak only if safe to so do.
- Water spray or fog may be used to disperse vapour.
- ► DO NOT enter confined space where gas may have collected
- Keep area clear until gas has dispersed.
- Remove leaking cylinders to a safe place if possible.
- Release pressure under safe, controlled conditions by opening the valve.

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS.

#### **SECTION 7 Handling and storage**

Safe handling

#### Precautions for safe handling

- ► DO NOT allow clothing wet with material to stay in contact with skin
- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.
- DO NOT enter confined spaces until atmosphere has been checked
- Avoid smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- When handling, **DO NOT** eat, drink or smoke.
- DO NOT incinerate or puncture aerosol cans. DO NOT spray directly on humans, exposed food or food utensils.
- Avoid physical damage to containers.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling. Work clothes should be laundered separately.
- Use good occupational work practice. Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.
- Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.
- Keep dry to avoid corrosion of cans. Corrosion may result in container perforation and internal pressure may eject contents of can Store in original containers in approved flammable liquid storage area.
- DO NOT store in pits, depressions, basements or areas where vapours may be trapped
- No smoking, naked lights, heat or ignition sources.
- Keep containers securely sealed. Contents under pressure.
- Store away from incompatible materials Other information
  - Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area.
  - Avoid storage at temperatures higher than 40 deg C.
  - Store in an upright position.
  - Protect containers against physical damage.
  - Check regularly for spills and leaks.
  - Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.

# Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Suitable container

- Aerosol dispenser
- Check that containers are clearly labelled.

Storage incompatibility Avoid reaction with oxidising agents

# SECTION 8 Exposure controls / personal protection

# Control parameters

# Occupational Exposure Limits (OEL)

#### INGREDIENT DATA

Source	Ingredient	Material name	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notes
Australia Exposure Standards	xylene	Xylene (o-, m-, p- isomers)	80 ppm / 350 mg/m3	655 mg/m3 / 150 ppm	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	acetone	Acetone	500 ppm / 1185 mg/m3	2375 mg/m3 / 1000 ppm	Not Available	Not Available

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Source	Ingredient	Material name	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notes
Australia Exposure Standards	n-butyl acetate	n-Butyl acetate	150 ppm / 713 mg/m3	950 mg/m3 / 200 ppm	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	toluene	Toluene	50 ppm / 191 mg/m3	574 mg/m3 / 150 ppm	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer	1-Methoxy-2-propanol acetate	50 ppm / 274 mg/m3	548 mg/m3 / 100 ppm	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	isobutanol	Isobutyl alcohol	50 ppm / 152 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	dimethyl ether	Dimethyl ether	400 ppm / 760 mg/m3	950 mg/m3 / 500 ppm	Not Available	Not Available

#### Emergency Limits

Ingredient	TEEL-1	TEEL-2	TEEL-3
xylene	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
acetone	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
n-butyl acetate	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
toluene	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
butyl benzyl phthalate	15 mg/m3	77 mg/m3	460 mg/m3
isobutanol	150 ppm	1,300 ppm	8000* ppm
dimethyl ether	3,000 ppm	3800* ppm	7200* ppm

Ingredient	Original IDLH	Revised IDLH
xylene	900 ppm	Not Available
acetone	2,500 ppm	Not Available
n-butyl acetate	1,700 ppm	Not Available
toluene	500 ppm	Not Available
propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer	Not Available	Not Available
butyl benzyl phthalate	Not Available	Not Available
isobutanol	1,600 ppm	Not Available
dimethyl ether	Not Available	Not Available

# Occupational Exposure Banding

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Ingredient	Occupational Exposure Band Rating	Occupational Exposure Band Limit			
butyl benzyl phthalate	С	> 1 to ≤ 10 parts per million (ppm)			
Notes:	Occupational exposure banding is a process of assigning chemicals into specific categories or bands based on a chemical's potency and the adverse health outcomes associated with exposure. The output of this process is an occupational exposure band (OEB), which corresponds to a range of exposure concentrations that are expected to protect worker health.				

#### MATERIAL DATA

for dimethyl ether:

The no-effect-level for dimethyl ether is somewhere between 2000 ppm (rabbits) and 50,000 ppm (humans) with possible cardiac sensitisation occurring around 200,000 ppm (dogs). The AIHA has adopted a safety factor of 100 in respect to the 50,000 ppm level in its recommendation for a workplace environmental exposure level (WEEL) which is thought to protect against both narcotic and sensitising effects. This level is consistent with the TLV-TWA of 400 ppm for diethyl ether and should be easily achievable using current technologies. The use of the traditionally allowable excursion of 1.25 to the level of 6.25 ppm is felt to be more than adequate as an upper safe limit of exposure.

Human data:

50,000 ppm (12 mins): Feelings of mild intoxication.

75,000 ppm (12 mins): As above plus slight lack of attenuation.

82.000 ppm (12 mins); Some incoordination, slight blurring of vision

(30 mins): As above plus analgesia of the face and rushing of blood to the face.

100,000 ppm (10-20 mins): Narcotic symptoms; (64 mins): Sickness (assumed to be nausea)

144,000 ppm (36 mins):Unconsciousness

Odour Threshold Value: 3.6 ppm (detection), 699 ppm (recognition)

Saturation vapour concentration: 237000 ppm @ 20 C

NOTE: Detector tubes measuring in excess of 40 ppm, are available.

Exposure at or below the recommended TLV-TWA is thought to protect the worker against mild irritation associated with brief exposures and the bioaccumulation, chronic irritation of the respiratory tract and headaches associated with long-term acetone exposures. The NIOSH REL-TWA is substantially lower and has taken into account slight irritation experienced by volunteer subjects at 300 ppm. Mild irritation to acclimatised workers begins at about 750 ppm - unacclimatised subjects will experience irritation at about 350-500 ppm but acclimatisation can occur rapidly. Disagreement between the peak bodies is based largely on the view by ACGIH that widespread use of acetone, without evidence of significant adverse health effects at higher concentrations, allows acceptance of a higher limit.

Half-life of acetone in blood is 3 hours which means that no adjustment for shift-length has to be made with reference to the standard 8 hour/day, 40 hours per week because body clearance occurs within any shift with low potential for accumulation.

A STEL has been established to prevent excursions of acetone vapours that could cause depression of the central nervous system.

Odour Safety Factor(OSF)

OSF=38 (ACETONE)

# For n-butyl acetate

Odour Threshold Value: 0.0063 ppm (detection), 0.038-12 ppm (recognition)

Exposure at or below the recommended TLV-TWA is thought to prevent significant irritation of the eyes and respiratory passages as well as narcotic effects. In light of the lack of substantive evidence regarding teratogenicity and a review of acute oral data a STEL is considered inappropriate.

Odour Safety Factor(OSF)

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#### OSF=3.8E2 (n-BUTYL ACETATE)

for propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate (PGMEA)

Saturated vapour concentration: 4868 ppm at 20 C.

A two-week inhalation study found nasal effects to the nasal mucosa in animals at concentrations up to 3000 ppm. Differences in the teratogenic potential of the alpha (commercial grade) and beta isomers of PGMEA may be explained by the formation of different metabolites. The beta-isomer is thought to be oxidised to methoxypropionic acid, a homologue to methoxyacetic acid which is a known teratogen. The alpha- form is conjugated and excreted. PGMEA mixture (containing 2% to 5% beta isomer) is a mild skin and eye irritant, produces mild central nervous system effects in animals at 3000 ppm and produces mild CNS impairment and upper respiratory tract and eye irritation in humans at 1000 ppm. In rats exposed to 3000 ppm PGMEA produced slight foetotoxic effects (delayed sternabral ossification) - no effects on foetal development were seen in rabbits exposed at 3000 ppm.

#### For toluene:

Odour Threshold Value: 0.16-6.7 (detection), 1.9-69 (recognition)

NOTE: Detector tubes measuring in excess of 5 ppm, are available.

High concentrations of toluene in the air produce depression of the central nervous system (CNS) in humans. Intentional toluene exposure (glue-sniffing) at maternally-intoxicating concentration has also produced birth defects. Foetotoxicity appears at levels associated with CNS narcosis and probably occurs only in those with chronic toluene-induced kidney failure. Exposure at or below the recommended TLV-TWA is thought to prevent transient headache and irritation, to provide a measure of safety for possible disturbances to human reproduction, the prevention of reductions in cognitive responses reported amongst humans inhaling greater than 40 ppm, and the significant risks of hepatotoxic, behavioural and nervous system effects (including impaired reaction time and incoordination). Although toluene/ethanol interactions are well recognised, the degree of protection afforded by the TLV-TWA among drinkers is not known.

Odour Safety Factor(OSF) OSF=17 (TOLUENE)

#### for xylenes:

IDLH Level: 900 ppm

Odour Threshold Value: 20 ppm (detection), 40 ppm (recognition)

NOTE: Detector tubes for o-xylene, measuring in excess of 10 ppm, are available commercially. (m-xylene and p-xylene give almost the same response).

Xylene vapour is an irritant to the eyes, mucous membranes and skin and causes narcosis at high concentrations. Exposure to doses sufficiently high to produce intoxication and unconsciousness also produces transient liver and kidney toxicity. Neurologic impairment is NOT evident amongst volunteers inhaling up to 400 ppm though complaints of ocular and upper respiratory tract irritation occur at 200 ppm for 3 to 5 minutes.

Exposure to xylene at or below the recommended TLV-TWA and STEL is thought to minimise the risk of irritant effects and to produce neither significant narcosis or chronic injury. An earlier skin notation was deleted because percutaneous absorption is gradual and protracted and does not substantially contribute to the dose received by inhalation. Odour Safety Factor(OSF)

OSF=4 (XYLENE)

#### For isobutanol:

Odour Threshold Value: 0.66-40 ppm (detection), 1.8-53 ppm (recognition) Although there do not appear to be reports of isobutyl alcohol causing auditory impairment or vestibular damage in humans (as with n-butanol) the recommended TLV-TWA recognises the slightly greater acute toxic potential of isobutanol versus n-butanol. Exposure at or below this limit is thought to significantly reduce the risk of skin irritation.

Odour Safety Factor (OSF) OSF=31 (ISOBUTYL ALCOHOL)

# **Exposure controls**

Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection. The basic types of engineering controls are:

Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk.

Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment. Ventilation can remove or dilute an air contaminant if designed properly. The design of a ventilation system must match the particular process and chemical or contaminant in use. Employers may need to use multiple types of controls to prevent employee overexposure.

General exhaust is adequate under normal conditions. If risk of overexposure exists, wear SAA approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection.

Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas.

Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

# Appropriate engineering

Type of Contaminant:	Speed:
aerosols, (released at low velocity into zone of active generation)	0.5-1 m/s
direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion)	1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range	Upper end of the range
1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture	1: Disturbing room air currents
2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only.	2: Contaminants of high toxicity
3: Intermittent, low production.	3: High production, heavy use
4: Large hood or large air mass in motion	4: Small hood-local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted. accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min.) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used

#### Personal protection









# ► Safety glasses with side shields

#### Chemical goggles Eve and face protection

Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lenses or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption

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and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59], [AS/NZS 1336 or national equivalentl

► Close fitting gas tight goggles

#### **DO NOT** wear contact lenses

▶ Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59], [AS/NZS 1336 or national equivalent]

#### Skin protection See Hand protection below

# ▶ Neoprene gloves OTHERWISE:

- No special equipment needed when handling small quantities.
- Hands/feet protection
- For potentially moderate exposures:
- Wear general protective gloves, eg. light weight rubber gloves.
- For potentially heavy exposures:
- ▶ Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC. and safety footwear.

#### **Body protection**

See Other protection below

No special equipment needed when handling small quantities.

#### OTHERWISE:

- Overalls.
- Skin cleansing cream.
- Eyewash unit.
- Other protection
  - Do not spray on hot surfaces.
  - The clothing worn by process operators insulated from earth may develop static charges far higher (up to 100 times) than the minimum ignition energies for various flammable gas-air mixtures. This holds true for a wide range of clothing materials including cotton.
  - Avoid dangerous levels of charge by ensuring a low resistivity of the surface material worn outermost.

BRETHERICK: Handbook of Reactive Chemical Hazards.

#### Recommended material(s)

#### **GLOVE SELECTION INDEX**

Glove selection is based on a modified presentation of the:

### "Forsberg Clothing Performance Index".

The effect(s) of the following substance(s) are taken into account in the computergenerated selection:

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Material	СРІ
BUTYL	С
BUTYL/NEOPRENE	С
CPE	С
HYPALON	С
NAT+NEOPR+NITRILE	С
NATURAL RUBBER	С
NATURAL+NEOPRENE	С
NEOPRENE	С
NEOPRENE/NATURAL	С
NITRILE	С
NITRILE+PVC	С
PE	С
PE/EVAL/PE	С
PVA	С
PVC	С
PVDC/PE/PVDC	С
SARANEX-23	С
SARANEX-23 2-PLY	С
TEFLON	С
VITON	С
VITON/BUTYL	С
VITON/CHLOROBUTYL	С
VITON/NEOPRENE	С

<sup>\*</sup> CPI - Chemwatch Performance Index

B: Satisfactory; may degrade after 4 hours continuous immersion

C: Poor to Dangerous Choice for other than short term immersion

NOTE: As a series of factors will influence the actual performance of the glove, a final selection must be based on detailed observation.

#### Respiratory protection

Type AX-P Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

Where the concentration of gas/particulates in the breathing zone, approaches or exceeds the "Exposure Standard" (or ES), respiratory protection is required. Degree of protection varies with both face-piece and Class of filter; the nature of protection varies with Type of filter.

Required Minimum Protection Factor	Half-Face Respirator	Full-Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
up to 5 x ES	AX-AUS / Class 1 P2	-	AX-PAPR-AUS / Class 1 P2
up to 25 x ES	Air-line*	AX-2 P2	AX-PAPR-2 P2
up to 50 x ES	-	AX-3 P2	-
50+ x ES	-	Air-line**	-

A(All classes) = Organic vapours, B AUS or B1 = Acid gasses, B2 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), B3 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), E = Sulfur dioxide(SO2), G = Agricultural chemicals, K = Ammonia(NH3), Hg = Mercury, NO = Oxides of nitrogen, MB = Methyl bromide, AX = Low boiling point organic compounds(below 65 degC)

- ▶ Cartridge respirators should never be used for emergency ingress or in areas of unknown vapour concentrations or oxygen content.
- ▶ The wearer must be warned to leave the contaminated area immediately on detecting any odours through the respirator. The odour may indicate that the mask is not functioning properly, that the vapour concentration is too high, or that the mask is not properly fitted. Because of these limitations, only restricted use of cartridge respirators is considered appropriate.
- Cartridge performance is affected by humidity. Cartridges should be changed after 2 hr of continuous use unless it is determined that the humidity is less than 75%, in which case, cartridges can be used for 4 hr. Used cartridges should be discarded daily, regardless of the length of time used

Aerosols, in common with most vapours/ mists, should never be used in confined spaces without adequate ventilation. Aerosols, containing agents designed to enhance or mask smell, have triggered allergic reactions in predisposed individuals.

A: Best Selection

<sup>\*</sup> Where the glove is to be used on a short term, casual or infrequent basis, factors such

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as "feel" or convenience (e.g. disposability), may dictate a choice of gloves which might otherwise be unsuitable following long-term or frequent use. A qualified practitioner should be consulted.

#### **SECTION 9 Physical and chemical properties**

#### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Clear thin flammable liquid with a strong solvent odour.

#### **Appearance**

Note that all of the monopropylene glycol ethers may exist in two isomeric forms, alpha or beta. The alpha form, which is thermodynamically favored during synthesis, consists of a secondary alcohol configuration. The beta form consists of a primary alcohol. The two isomeric forms are shown above. The di- and tripropylene glycol ethers may form up to 4 and 8 isomeric forms, respectively. Even so, all isomers exhibit either the "alpha" or "beta" configuration, existing as secondary or primary alcohols, respectively. The distribution of isomeric forms for the di- and tripropylene glycols, as with the mono-PGEs, also results in predominantly the alpha form (i.e., a secondary alcohol). It should be noted that only the alpha isomer and isomeric mixtures (consisting predominantly of the alpha isomer) are produced commercially; the purified beta isomer is not produced at this time

Supplied as an aerosol pack. Contents under PRESSURE. Contains highly flammable ether propellant.

Physical state	Liquid	Relative density (Water = 1)	0.80-0.90
Odour	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Available
Odour threshold	Not Available	Auto-ignition temperature (°C)	354
pH (as supplied)	Not Available	Decomposition temperature	Not Available
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	Not Available	Viscosity (cSt)	14-18 secs B4 cup @25C
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	-25 to 145	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Not Applicable
Flash point (°C)	-41 (OC)	Taste	Not Available
Evaporation rate	0.40-10.00 BuAC = 1	Explosive properties	Not Available
Flammability	HIGHLY FLAMMABLE.	Oxidising properties	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	19	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Available
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	1	Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Available
Vapour pressure (kPa)	510 @20C	Gas group	Not Available
Solubility in water	Not Available	pH as a solution (%)	Not Available
Vapour density (Air = 1)	Not Available	VOC g/L	Not Available

# **SECTION 10 Stability and reactivity**

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	<ul> <li>Elevated temperatures.</li> <li>Presence of open flame.</li> <li>Product is considered stable.</li> <li>Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.</li> </ul>
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

# **SECTION 11 Toxicological information**

#### Information on toxicological effects

Inhalation of aerosols (mists, fumes), generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may be harmful. Inhalation of vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness. This may be accompanied by narcosis, reduced alertness, loss of reflexes, lack of coordination and vertigo.

Limited evidence or practical experience suggests that the material may produce irritation of the respiratory system, in a significant number of individuals, following inhalation. In contrast to most organs, the lung is able to respond to a chemical insult by first removing or neutralising the irritant and then repairing the damage. The repair process, which initially evolved to protect mammalian lungs from foreign matter and antigens, may however, produce further lung damage resulting in the impairment of gas exchange, the primary function of the lungs. Respiratory tract irritation often results in an inflammatory response involving the recruitment and activation of many cell types, mainly derived from the vascular system.

#### Inhaled

Common, generalised symptoms associated with toxic gas inhalation include:

- b central nervous system effects such as depression, headache, confusion, dizziness, progressive stupor, coma and seizures;
- respiratory system complications may include acute pulmonary oedema, dyspnoea, stridor, tachypnoea, bronchospasm, wheezing and other reactive airway symptoms, and respiratory arrest:
- cardiovascular effects may include cardiovascular collapse, arrhythmias and cardiac arrest;
- pastrointestinal effects may also be present and may include mucous membrane irritation, nausea and vomiting (sometimes bloody), and abdominal pain.

Inhalation hazard is increased at higher temperatures.

Isobutanol appears to be more toxic than n-butyl alcohol. A 4-hour inhalation exposure of rats at 8000 ppm resulted in deaths. Mice exposed at 2125 ppm isobutyl alcohol for 223 hours in a series of intermittent exposures, each lasting 9.25 hours did not show signs of toxic injury. In a second study mice were narcotised repeatedly following a series of intermittent exposures that totalled 136 hours at a concentration of Chemwatch: 4798-77 Page 11 of 24 Issue Date: 14/09/2020 Version No: 6.1.17.10

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6400 ppm - no mortalities were recorded.

Material is highly volatile and may quickly form a concentrated atmosphere in confined or unventilated areas. The vapour may displace and replace air in breathing zone, acting as a simple asphyxiant. This may happen with little warning of overexposure.

Acute effects from inhalation of high concentrations of vapour are pulmonary irritation, including coughing, with nausea; central nervous system depression - characterised by headache and dizziness, increased reaction time, fatigue and loss of co-ordination

Mice exposed at up to 3000 ppm PGMEA 6 hr/day for a total of 9 days during an 11-day period showed no pronounced effect on the weights of liver, kidneys, heart, spleen, thymus or testes. Histopathological examination revealed degeneration of the olfactory epithelium in mice exposed at 300 ppm for the same time. Rats, similarly failed to show changes in internal organs and did not show olfactory epithelium degeneration until 3000 ppm. The no-effect level in rats was 1000 ppm.

WARNING: Intentional misuse by concentrating/inhaling contents may be lethal.

Headache, fatigue, lassitude, irritability and gastrointestinal disturbances (e.g., nausea, anorexia and flatulence) are the most common symptoms of xylene overexposure. Injury to the heart, liver, kidneys and nervous system has also been noted amongst workers. Transient memory loss, renal impairment, temporary confusion and some evidence of disturbance of liver function was reported in three workers overcome by gross exposure to xylene (10000 ppm). One worker died and autopsy revealed pulmonary congestion, oedema and focal alveolar haemorrhage. Volunteers inhaling xylene at 100 ppm for 5 to 6 hours showed changes in manual coordination reaction time and slight ataxia. Tolerance developed during the workweek but was lost over the weekend. Physical exercise may antagonise this effect. Xylene body burden in humans exposed to 100 or 200 ppm xylene in air depends on the amount of body fat with 4% to 8% of total absorbed xylene accumulating in adipose tissue.

Xylene is a central nervous system depressant. Central nervous system (CNS) depression may include nonspecific discomfort, symptoms of qiddiness, headache, dizziness, nausea, anaesthetic effects, slowed reaction time, slurred speech and may progress to unconsciousness Serious poisonings may result in respiratory depression and may be fatal.

The primary physiological effect which follows exposure to diethyl ether is acute narcosis.

Inhalation at about 7.5%, in air, produces mild intoxication in about 12 minutes. Longer exposures and exposure to higher concentrations produces incoordination, blurring of vision, headache, dizziness and unconsciousness (20% produces unconsciousness in about 20 minutes). Heavy exposures may be lethal and deaths occur due to depression of the respiratory system. Dimethyl ether is a weak cardiac sensitiser in doas.

Accidental ingestion of the material may be damaging to the health of the individual.

Following a single dose of isobutanol in rats, deaths were delayed for several days and hepatic degeneration was evident.

Not normally a hazard due to physical form of product.

Considered an unlikely route of entry in commercial/industrial environments

In a 14-day study of butyl benzyl phthalate in rats, exposure to 25000 ppm or more resulted in lower body weight gains. Thymic atrophy occurred in all 100000 ppm rats and testicular degeneration was observed in all 50000 and 100000 ppm males. No compound related effects were seen in a companion study in mice receiving 25000 ppm in feed. In a similar 13-week study, lower body weight gains and testicular degeneration, characterised by loss of germinal epithelium of the seminiferous tubules were seen in male rats receiving 25000 ppm whereas compound related effects in mice were limited to lower body weight gains in male mice exposed to concentrations of 1600 ppm or more and in 12500 ppm females. The testicular degeneration in rats may be related to the conversion of the phthalate to monobutylphthalate which has been shown to produce testicular atrophy

## Ingestion

Rats exposed to 2000 to 4000 mg in feed for 2-weeks showed dose-related posterior body stiffness and incoordination of the hind limbs which was more severe in males. These signs generally disappeared by the end of a 1-week recovery period. In a follow-up 6-week neurological study, body

weight gains of rats exposed to 1500 or 3000 mg butyl benzyl phthalate/kg body weight were lower than those of the controls, and transient hind limb stiffness was observed in the 3000 mg/kg group, mainly in males.

Histopathology of tissues from the central and peripheral nervous system

no-observed-effect-level (NOEL) in a 90 day study with rats administered feed containing up to 2% of the phthalate, by weight, was 0.5%. After 14-weeks of a 2-year study with rats exposed to 6000 or 12000 ppm butyl benzyl phthalate in feed, compound related mortality in males resulted from unexplained internal haemorrhaging.

It has been postulated that intraperitoneal injection produces acute depression of the central nervous system.

Ingestion of alkyl ethers may produce symptoms similar to those produced following inhalation.

#### Skin contact with the material may be harmful; systemic effects may result following absorption.

The material produces moderate skin irritation; evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material either

- produces moderate inflammation of the skin in a substantial number of individuals following direct contact, and/or • produces significant, but moderate, inflammation when applied to the healthy intact skin of animals (for up to four hours), such inflammation
- being present twenty-four hours or more after the end of the exposure period. Skin irritation may also be present after prolonged or repeated exposure; this may result in a form of contact dermatitis (nonallergic). The

Skin Contact

dermatitis is often characterised by skin redness (erythema) and swelling (oedema) which may progress to blistering (vesiculation), scaling and thickening of the epidermis. At the microscopic level there may be intercellular oedema of the spongy layer of the skin (spongiosis) and intracellular oedema of the epidermis.

Repeated exposure may cause skin cracking, flaking or drying following normal handling and use.

Application of isobutanol to human skin produced slight erythema and hyperaemia.

Repeated application of commercial grade PGMEA to the skin of rabbits for 2-weeks caused slight redness and very slight exfoliation. Spray mist may produce discomfort

Alkyl ethers may defat and dehydrate the skin producing dermatoses. Absorption may produce headache, dizziness, and central nervous system depression

Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material

Eye

Evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material may cause severe eye irritation in a substantial number of individuals and/or may produce significant ocular lesions which are present twenty-four hours or more after instillation into the eye(s) of experimental animals. Eye contact may cause significant inflammation with pain. Corneal injury may occur; permanent impairment of vision may result unless treatment is prompt and adequate. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may cause inflammation characterised by a temporary redness (similar to windburn) of the conjunctiva (conjunctivitis); temporary impairment of vision and/or other transient eye damage/ulceration may occur. Instillation of isobutanol into a rabbit's eye caused moderate to severe irritation but no permanent injury to the cornea. No evidence of irritation was found when human volunteers were exposed to repeated 8 hour exposures to 100 ppm vapour.

Direct contact with the eye may not cause irritation because of the extreme volatility of the gas; however concentrated atmospheres may produce irritation after brief exposures.

Eye contact with alkyl ethers (vapours or liquid) may produce irritation, redness and lachrymation.

Undiluted propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate (PGMEA) causes moderate discomfort, slight conjunctival redness and slight corneal injury

Chronic

There is sufficient evidence to provide a strong presumption that human exposure to the material may result in developmental toxicity, generally on the basis of: - clear results in appropriate animal studies where effects have been observed in the absence of marked maternal toxicity, or at around the same

dose levels as other toxic effects but which are not secondary non-specific consequences of the other toxic effects Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause drying with cracking, irritation and possible dermatitis following.

Limited evidence suggests that repeated or long-term occupational exposure may produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical systems.

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Three out of 19 rats dosed orally with 0.2 ml isobutanol developed either forestomach carcinomas, lever cell carcinoma or myelogenous leukaemia and benign tumours were more prevalent than those found in a control group of animals

Repeated exposure to higher concentrations of propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate (PGMEA) (1000 ppm and above) causes mild liver and kidney damage in animals.

A minor component, 2-methoxy-1-propyl acetate (the beta-isomer) produced birth defects on inhalation exposure of pregnant rabbits at 545 ppm, but not at 145 or 36 ppm; maternal and embryo/foetal toxicity on inhalation exposure of pregnant rats at 2710 ppm, but not at 545 or 110 ppm; and no adverse effects on dermal exposure of pregnant rabbits at applied dosages of 1000 and 2000 mg/kg of body weight per day during the critical period or embryo/foetal development. In a further study, no developmental effects were seen following exposure of pregnant rats at air concentrations of commercial propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate (containing 3-5% of the minor component) up to 4000 ppm; slight maternal effects were seen at 5000 ppm and greater.

Exposure of pregnant rats and rabbits to the parent glycol ether, propylene glycol monomethyl ether which contained comparable amounts of the primary isomer, 2-methoxy-1-propanol, did not produce teratogenic effects at concentrations up to 3000 ppm. Foetotoxic effects were seen in rat foetuses but not in rabbit foetuses at this concentration and maternal toxicity was noted in both species at this concentration Principal route of occupational exposure to the gas is by inhalation.

Chronic toluene habituation occurs following intentional abuse (glue sniffing) or from occupational exposure. Ataxia, incoordination and tremors of the hands and feet (as a consequence of diffuse cerebral atrophy), headache, abnormal speech, transient memory loss, convulsions, coma, drowsiness, reduced colour perception, frank blindness, nystagmus (rapid, involuntary eye-movements), hearing loss leading to deafness and mild dementia have all been associated with chronic abuse. Peripheral nerve damage, encephalopathy, giant axonopathy electrolyte disturbances in the cerebrospinal fluid and abnormal computer tomographic (CT scans) are common amongst toluene addicts. Although toluene abuse has been linked with kidney disease, this does not commonly appear in cases of occupational toluene exposures. Cardiac and haematological toxicity are however associated with chronic toluene exposures. Cardiac arrhythmia, multifocal and premature ventricular contractions and supraventricular tachycardia are present in 20% of patients who abused toluene-containing paints. Previous suggestions that chronic toluene inhalation produced human peripheral neuropathy have been discounted. However central nervous system (CNS) depression is well documented where blood toluene exceeds 2.2 mg%. Toluene abusers can achieve transient circulating concentrations of 6.5 %. Amongst workers exposed for a median time of 29 years, to toluene, no subacute effects on neurasthenic complaints and psychometric test results could be established.

The prenatal toxicity of very high toluene concentrations has been documented for several animal species and man. Malformations indicative of specific teratogenicity have not generally been found. Neonatal toxicity, described in the literature, takes the form of embryo death or delayed foetal growth and delayed skeletal system development. Permanent damage of children has been seen only when mothers have suffered from chronic intoxication as a result of "sniffing".

Chronic exposure to alkyl ethers may result in loss of appetite, excessive thirst, fatigue, and weight loss

Under the conditions of a 2-year feed study with benzyl butyl phthalate, there was some evidence of carcinogenic activity in male rats based on an increased incidence of pancreatic acinar cell adenoma and of acinar cell adenoma or carcinoma (combined). There was equivocal evidence of carcinogenic activity of butyl benzyl phthalate in female rats based on a marginally increased incidence of pancreatic acinar cell adenoma and of transitional epithelial papilloma of the urinary bladder. Exposure to rats of butyl

benzyl phthalate in feed for 2-years resulted in focal hyperplasia in the pancreas in male rats and in transitional hyperplasia in the urinary bladder of female rats. Results from in vitro mutagenicity tests were uniformly negative; in vivo studies with mice showed bone marrow sister chromatid exchange at 23 and 42 hours while chromosome aberrations were induced in bone marrow cells of male mice sampled 17 hours after intraperitoneal injection of 5000 mg/kg butyl benzyl phthalate.

Embryolethality, independent of maternal toxicity, has been demonstrated in rats fed 2% butyl benzyl phthalate. Foetal malformations consisting of cleft palate and fusion of the sternebrae has been demonstrated in rats; results indicate that the susceptibility of the teratogenic effect of butyl benzyl phthalate varies with the development stage at the time of administration. Exposure during the first half of pregnancy resulted in embryolethality; similar exposure during the second half caused marked teratogenicity.

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On the basis, primarily, of animal experiments, concern has been expressed by at least one classification body that the material may produce carcinogenic or mutagenic effects; in respect of the available information, however, there presently exists inadequate data for making a

Prolonged or repeated contact with xylenes may cause defatting dermatitis with drying and cracking. Chronic inhalation of xylenes has been associated with central nervous system effects, loss of appetite, nausea, ringing in the ears, irritability, thirst anaemia, mucosal bleeding, enlarged liver and hyperplasia. Exposure may produce kidney and liver damage. In chronic occupational exposure, xylene (usually mix ed with other solvents) has produced irreversible damage to the central nervous system and ototoxicity (damages hearing and increases sensitivity to noise), probably due to neurotoxic mechanisms.

Industrial workers exposed to xylene with a maximum level of ethyl benzene of 0.06 mg/l (14 ppm) reported headaches and irritability and tired quickly. Functional nervous system disturbances were found in some workers employed for over 7 years whilst other workers had enlarged

Xylene has been classed as a developmental toxin in some jurisdictions.

Small excess risks of spontaneous abortion and congenital malformation were reported amongst women exposed to xylene in the first trimester of pregnancy. In all cases, however, the women were also been exposed to other substances. Evaluation of workers chronically exposed to xylene has demonstrated lack of genotoxicity. Exposure to xylene has been associated with increased risks of haemopoietic malignancies but, again, simultaneous exposure to other substances (including benzene) complicates the picture. A long-term gavage study to mixed xylenes (containing 17% ethyl benzene) found no evidence of carcinogenic activity in rats and mice of either sex

Chronic solvent inhalation exposures may result in nervous system impairment and liver and blood changes. [PATTYS]

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0g (Colorspec Acrylic Clear Coat)	Not Available	Not Available	
	TOXICITY	IRRITATION	
	Dermal (rabbit) LD50: >1700 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (human): 200 ppm irritant	
	Inhalation(Rat) LC50; 5922 ppm4h <sup>[1]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): 5 mg/24h SEVERE	
xylene	Oral(Mouse) LD50; 2119 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): 87 mg mild	
		Eye: adverse effect observed (irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>	
		Skin (rabbit):500 mg/24h moderate	
		Skin: adverse effect observed (irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>	
	TOXICITY	IRRITATION	
	Dermal (rabbit) LD50: 20 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (human): 500 ppm - irritant	
acetone	Inhalation(Mouse) LC50; 44 mg/L4h <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): 20mg/24hr -moderate	
	Oral(Rat) LD50; 1738 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): 3.95 mg - SEVERE	
		Eye: adverse effect observed (irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>	

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		Skin (rabbit): 500 mg/24hr - mild
		Skin (rabbit):395mg (open) - mild
		Skin: no adverse effect observed (not irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>
	TOVICITY	IDDITATION
	TOXICITY  Dermal (rabbit) LD50: >14100 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	IRRITATION  Eye ( human): 300 mg
		Eye (rabbit): 20 mg (open)-SEVERE
n butul acatata	Inhalation(Rat) LC50; 0.74 mg/l4h <sup>[2]</sup>	
n-butyl acetate	Oral(Rat) LD50; >3200 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): 20 mg/24h - moderate
		Eye: no adverse effect observed (not irritating)[1]  Skin (rabbit): 500 mg/24h-moderate
		Skin: (nabbit). 300 mg/24iFinodefate  Skin: no adverse effect observed (not irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>
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	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
	Dermal (rabbit) LD50: >5000 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): 2mg/24h - SEVERE
	Inhalation(Rat) LC50; 12.5-28.8 mg/l4h <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit):0.87 mg - mild
	Oral(Rat) LD50; 636 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit):100 mg/30sec - mild
toluene		Eye: adverse effect observed (irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>
		Skin (rabbit):20 mg/24h-moderate
		Skin (rabbit):500 mg - moderate
		Skin: adverse effect observed (irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>
		Skin: no adverse effect observed (not irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>
	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
propylene glycol monomethyl	dermal (rat) LD50: >2000 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>	Eye: no adverse effect observed (not irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>
ether acetate, alpha-isomer	Oral(Rat) LD50; 5155 mg/kg <sup>[1]</sup>	Skin: no adverse effect observed (not irritating) <sup>[1]</sup>
	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
	dermal (rat) LD50: 6700 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Not Available
butyl benzyl phthalate	Inhalation(Rat) LC50; >6.7 mg/l4h <sup>[2]</sup>	
	Oral(Rat) LD50; 2330 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	
	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
	Dermal (rabbit) LD50: >2000 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): 2 20 mg/24h-moderate
isobutanol	Inhalation(Rabbit) LC50; 2.63 mg/L4h <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): 2 mg/24h - SEVERE
	Oral(Rat) LD50; >2830 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Skin (rabbit): mg (open)-SEVERE
	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
dimethyl ether	Inhalation(Rat) LC50; >20000 ppm4h <sup>[1]</sup>	Not Available
Legend:	Value obtained from Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Act specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effect of c	ute toxicity 2.* Value obtained from manufacturer's SDS. Unless otherwise themical Substances
XYLENE	Reproductive effector in rats	pypopure and may produce a centest demostitic (n===!!==i=). This fam: /
ACETONE	, ,	exposure and may produce a contact dermatitis (nonallergic). This form of welling epidermis. Histologically there may be intercellular oedema of the s.
N-BUTYL ACETATE	and most tissues throughout the body. Following hydrolysis the con Oral acute toxicity studies have been reported for 51 of the 67 este carboxylic acids. The very low oral acute toxicity of this group of es Genotoxicity studies have been performed in vitro using the followir carboxylic acids: methyl acetate, butyl acetate, butyl stearate and the substances are not genotoxic.  The JEFCA Committee concluded that the substances in this group of aliphatic acyclic primary alcohols and aliphatic linear saturated or maximum levels of 200 mg/kg. Higher levels of use (up to 3000 mg	ers of aliphatic acyclic primary alcohols and aliphatic linear saturated sters is demonstrated by oral LD50 values greater than 1850 mg/kg bw ng esters of aliphatic acyclic primary alcohols and aliphatic linear saturated he structurally related isoamyl formate and demonstrates that these be would not present safety concerns at the current levels of intake the esters arboxylic acids are generally used as flavouring substances up to average //kg) are permitted in food categories such as chewing gum and hard candy. In enerally 1 to 30 mg/kg foods and in special food categories like candy and Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA)
TOLUENE	from headaches to intoxication, convulsions, narcosis, and death. S <b>Humans</b> - Toluene ingestion or inhalation can result in severe centingestion of about 60 mL resulted in fatal nervous system depression	ral nervous system depression, and in large doses, can act as a narcotic. The

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found on autopsy.

Central nervous system effects (headaches, dizziness, intoxication) and eve irritation occurred following inhalation exposure to 100 ppm toluene 6 hours/day for 4 days.

Exposure to 600 ppm for 8 hours resulted in the same and more serious symptoms including euphoria, dilated pupils, convulsions, and nausea . Exposure to 10,000-30,000 ppm has been reported to cause narcosis and death

Toluene can also strip the skin of lipids causing dermatitis

Animals - The initial effects are instability and incoordination, lachrymation and sniffles (respiratory exposure), followed by narcosis. Animals die of respiratory failure from severe nervous system depression. Cloudy swelling of the kidneys was reported in rats following inhalation exposure to 1600 ppm, 18-20 hours/day for 3 days

#### Subchronic/Chronic Effects:

Repeat doses of toluene cause adverse central nervous system effects and can damage the upper respiratory system, the liver, and the kidney. Adverse effects occur as a result from both oral and the inhalation exposures. A reported lowest-observed-effect level in humans for adverse neurobehavioral effects is 88 ppm.

Humans - Chronic occupational exposure and incidences of toluene abuse have resulted in hepatomegaly and liver function changes. It has also resulted in nephrotoxicity and, in one case, was a cardiac sensitiser and fatal cardiotoxin.

Neural and cerebellar dystrophy were reported in several cases of habitual "glue sniffing." An epidemiological study in France on workers chronically exposed to toluene fumes reported leukopenia and neutropenia. Exposure levels were not given in the secondary reference; however, the average urinary excretion of hippuric acid, a metabolite of toluene, was given as 4 g/L compared to a normal level of 0.6 g/L

Animals - The major target organs for the subchronic/chronic toxicity of toluene are the nervous system, liver, and kidney. Depressed immune response has been reported in male mice given doses of 105 mg/kg/day for 28 days. Toluene in corn oil administered to F344 male and female rats by gavage 5 days/week for 13 weeks, induced prostration, hypoactivity, ataxia, piloerection, lachrymation, excess salivation, and body tremors at doses 2500 mg/kg. Liver, kidney, and heart weights were also increased at this dose and histopathologic lesions were seen in the liver. kidneys, brain and urinary bladder. The no-observed-adverse effect level (NOAEL) for the study was 312 mg/kg (223 mg/kg/day) and the lowestobserved-adverse effect level (LOAEL) for the study was 625 mg/kg (446 mg/kg/day) .

#### **Developmental/Reproductive Toxicity**

Exposures to high levels of toluene can result in adverse effects in the developing human foetus. Several studies have indicated that high levels of toluene can also adversely effect the developing offspring in laboratory animals.

Humans - Variable growth, microcephaly, CNS dysfunction, attentional deficits, minor craniofacial and limb abnormalities, and developmental delay were seen in three children exposed to toluene in utero as a result of maternal solvent abuse before and during pregnancy Animals - Sternebral alterations, extra ribs, and missing tails were reported following treatment of rats with 1500 mg/m3 toluene 24 hours/day during days 9-14 of gestation. Two of the dams died during the exposure. Another group of rats received 1000 mg/m3 8 hours/day during days 1-21 of gestation. No maternal deaths or toxicity occurred, however, minor skeletal retardation was present in the exposed fetuses. CFLP Mice were exposed to 500 or 1500 mg/m3 toluene continuously during days 6-13 of pregnancy. All dams died at the high dose during the first 24 hours of exposure, however none died at 500 mg/m3. Decreased foetal weight was reported, but there were no differences in the incidences of skeletal malformations or anomalies between the treated and control offspring.

Absorption - Studies in humans and animals have demonstrated that toluene is readily absorbed via the lungs and the gastrointestinal tract. Absorption through the skin is estimated at about 1% of that absorbed by the lungs when exposed to toluene vapor.

Dermal absorption is expected to be higher upon exposure to the liquid; however, exposure is limited by the rapid evaporation of toluene Distribution - In studies with mice exposed to radiolabeled toluene by inhalation, high levels of radioactivity were present in body fat, bone marrow, spinal nerves, spinal cord, and brain white matter. Lower levels of radioactivity were present in blood, kidney, and liver. Accumulation of toluene has generally been found in adipose tissue, other tissues with high fat content, and in highly vascularised tissues

Metabolism - The metabolites of inhaled or ingested toluene include benzyl alcohol resulting from the hydroxylation of the methyl group. Further oxidation results in the formation of benzaldehyde and benzoic acid. The latter is conjugated with glycine to yield hippuric acid or reacted with glucuronic acid to form benzoyl glucuronide. o-cresol and p-cresol formed by ring hydroxylation are considered minor metabolites Excretion - Toluene is primarily (60-70%) excreted through the urine as hippuric acid. The excretion of benzoyl glucuronide accounts for 10-20%, and excretion of unchanged toluene through the lungs also accounts for 10-20%. Excretion of hippuric acid is usually complete within 24 hours

#### PROPYLENE GLYCOL MONOMETHYL ETHER ACETATE, ALPHA-ISOMER

A BASF report (in ECETOC) showed that inhalation exposure to 545 ppm PGMEA (beta isomer) was associated with a teratogenic response in rabbits; but exposure to 145 ppm and 36 ppm had no adverse effects. The beta isomer of PGMEA comprises only 10% of the commercial material, the remaining 90% is alpha isomer. Hazard appears low but emphasizes the need for care in handling this chemical. [I.C.I] \*Shin-Etsu

## **BUTYL BENZYL PHTHALATE**

The material may produce peroxisome proliferation. Peroxisomes are single, membrane limited, cytoplasmic organelles that are found in the cells of animals, plants, fungi and protozoa. Peroxisome proliferators include certain hypolipidaemic drugs, phthalate ester plasticisers, industrial solvents, herbicides, food flavours, leukotriene D4 antagonists and hormones. Numerous studies in rats and mice have demonstrated the hepatocarcinogenic effects of peroxisome proliferators, and these compounds have been unequivocally established as carcinogens. However it is generally conceded that compounds inducing proliferation in rats and mice have little, if any, effect on human liver except at very high doses or extreme conditions of exposure

Exposure to the material for prolonged periods may cause physical defects in the developing embryo (teratogenesis). Reproductive effector in rats.

#### ISOBUTANOL

Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ceases. This may be due to a non-allergenic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur following exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound. Key criteria for the diagnosis of RADS include the absence of preceding respiratory disease, in a non-atopic individual, with abrupt onset of persistent asthma-like symptoms within minutes to hours of a documented exposure to the irritant. A reversible airflow pattern, on spirometry, with the presence of moderate to severe bronchial hyperreactivity on methacholine challenge testing and the lack of minimal lymphocytic inflammation, without eosinophilia, have also been included in the criteria for diagnosis of RADS. RADS (or asthma) following an irritating inhalation is an infrequent disorder with rates related to the concentration of and duration of exposure to the irritating substance. Industrial bronchitis, on the other hand, is a disorder that occurs as result of exposure due to high concentrations of irritating substance (often particulate in nature) and is completely reversible after exposure ceases. The disorder is characterised by dyspnea, cough and mucus

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The material may produce severe irritation to the eye causing pronounced inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may produce conjunctivitis.

for benzyl butyl phthalate:

Repeat dose toxicity: The repeated-dose toxicity of BBP has been well investigated in studies, primarily in the rat, in which dose-response was well characterised. Effects observed consistently have been decreases in body weight gain (often accompanied by decreases in food consumption) and increases in organ to body weight ratios, particularly for the kidney and liver. Histopathological effects on the pancreas and kidney and haematological effects have also been observed. At higher doses, degenerative effects on the testes and, occasionally, histopathological effects on the liver have been reported. In specialised investigations, peroxisomal proliferation in the liver has been observed, although potency in this regard was less than that for other phthalates, such as bis(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP).

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**Reproductive Toxicity and Teratology Studies** Groups of male F344/N rats given 20, 200, or 2200 mg/kg body weight butyl benzyl phthalate daily in feed for 10 weeks resulted in significantly decreased prostate gland, right cauda, right epididymis, and right testis weights at the highest dose versus those of the controls (NTP, 1997). Additionally, the epididymal spermatozoal concentrations in males given the 200 and 2200 mg/kg levels were significantly less than the controls. Females mated to 20 and 200 mg/kg males exhibited maternal body weights similar to those of females mated to control males. Litter data

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between the two dose groups and controls were also similar. Females mated to 2200 mg/kg males were initially found to be sperm positive: however, at necropsy, none of the females were pregnant. The fertility indices of the males and females were observed to be significantly lower than those of the controls.

Developmental Toxicity: In several well-conducted studies in rats and mice, BBP has induced marked developmental effects, but only at dose levels that induce significant maternal toxicity.

#### **Carcinogenicity Studies**

In a 2-year study, groups of male F344/N rats were given 120, 240, or 500 mg/kg body weight butyl benzyl phthalate daily in feed and females were given 300, 600, or 1200 mg/kg/day (NTP, 1997). At the highest dose, the incidences of pancreatic acinar cell adenoma and adenoma or carcinoma (combined) were significantly greater in males than those in the controls. In females, the incidence of transitional epithelial hyperplasia was significantly greater than that in the controls. Specifically, two transitional epithelial papillomas in the urinary bladder were seen. It was concluded that there was "some evidence" of carcinogenicity in male rats, based on an increased incidence of pancreatic tumours, and equivocal evidence in female rats, based on marginal increases in pancreatic and bladder tumours. Dietary restriction prevented full expression of the pancreatic tumours and delayed appearance of the bladder tumours. There was no evidence of carcinogenicity in mice.

#### **Genotoxicity Studies**

At concentrations up to 11,550 ug/plate butyl benzyl phthalate in Salmonella typhimurium strains TA98, TA100, TA1535, and TA1537, no mutagenic response was obtained, in the presence or absence of metabolic activation (S9) (NTP, 1997). In vitro studies with L5178Y mouse lymphoma cells and cultured Chinese hamster ovary cells, both conducted with and without S9, were also negative. In germ cells of male Drosophila melanogaster, no induction of sex-linked recessive lethal mutations was observed. In contrast to these results, butyl benzyl phthalate gave positive responses in two in vivo mouse studies. In one experiment, sister chromatid exchanges were weakly positive at 23 and 42 hours. In the other study, chromosomal aberrations were induced in bone marrow cells 17 hours after intraperitoneal injection of 5000 mg/kg of the compound.

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The material may cause skin irritation after prolonged or repeated exposure and may produce a contact dermatitis (nonallergic). This form of dermatitis is often characterised by skin redness (erythema) and swelling the epidermis. Histologically there may be intercellular oedema of the spongy layer (spongiosis) and intracellular oedema of the epidermis.

for propylene glycol ethers (PGEs):

Typical propylene glycol ethers include propylene glycol n-butyl ether (PnB); dipropylene glycol n-butyl ether (DPnB); dipropylene glycol methyl ether acetate (DPMA); tripropylene glycol methyl ether (TPM).

Testing of a wide variety of propylene glycol ethers Testing of a wide variety of propylene glycol ethers has shown that propylene glycol-based ethers are less toxic than some ethers of the ethylene series. The common toxicities associated with the lower molecular weight homologues of the ethylene series, such as adverse effects on reproductive organs, the developing embryo and fetus, blood (haemolytic effects), or thymus, are not seen with the commercial-grade propylene glycol ethers. In the ethylene series, metabolism of the terminal hydroxyl group produces an alkoxyacetic acid. The reproductive and developmental toxicities of the lower molecular weight homologues in the ethylene series are due specifically to the formation of methoxyacetic and ethoxyacetic acids.

Longer chain length homologues in the ethylene series are not associated with the reproductive toxicity but can cause haemolysis in sensitive species, also through formation of an alkoxyacetic acid. The predominant alpha isomer of all the PGEs (thermodynamically favored during manufacture of PGEs) is a secondary alcohol incapable of forming an alkoxypropionic acid. In contrast beta-isomers are able to form the alkoxypropionic acids and these are linked to teratogenic effects (and possibly haemolytic effects).

This alpha isomer comprises greater than 95% of the isomeric mixture in the commercial product.

Because the alpha isomer cannot form an alkoxypropionic acid, this is the most likely reason for the lack of toxicity shown by the PGEs as distinct from the lower molecular weight ethylene glycol ethers. More importantly, however, very extensive empirical test data show that this class of commercial-grade glycol ether presents a low toxicity hazard. PGEs, whether mono, di- or tripropylene glycol-based (and no matter what the alcohol group), show a very similar pattern of low to non-detectable toxicity of any type at doses or exposure levels greatly exceeding those showing pronounced effects from the ethylene series. One of the primary metabolites of the propylene glycol ethers is propylene glycol, which is of low toxicity and completely metabolised in the body.

As a class, the propylene glycol ethers are rapidly absorbed and distributed throughout the body when introduced by inhalation or oral exposure. Dermal absorption is somewhat slower but subsequent distribution is rapid. Most excretion for PGEs is via the urine and expired air. A small portion is excreted in the faeces

As a group PGEs exhibits low acute toxicity by the oral, dermal, and inhalation routes. Rat oral LD50s range from >3,000 mg/kg (PnB) to >5,000 mg/kg (DPMA). Dermal LD50s are all > 2,000 mg/kg (PnB, & DPnB; where no deaths occurred), and ranging up to >15,000 mg/kg (TPM). Inhalation LC50 values were higher than 5,000 mg/m3 for DPMA (4-hour exposure), and TPM (1-hour exposure). For DPnB the 4-hour LC50 is >2,040 mg/m3. For PnB, the 4-hour LC50 was >651 ppm (>3,412 mg/m3), representing the highest practically attainable vapor level. No deaths occurred at these concentrations. PnB and TPM are moderately irritating to eyes while the remaining category members are only slightly irritating to nonirritating. PnB is moderately irritating to skin while the remaining category members are slightly to non-irritating None are skin sensitisers.

In repeated dose studies ranging in duration from 2 to 13 weeks, few adverse effects were found even at high exposure levels and effects that did occur were mild in nature. By the oral route of administration, NOAELs of 350 mg/kg-d (PnB – 13 wk) and 450 mg/kg-d (DPnB – 13 wk) were observed for liver and kidney weight increases (without accompanying histopathology). LOAELs for these two chemicals were 1000 mg/kg-d (highest dose tested).

Dermal repeated-dose toxicity tests have been performed for many PGEs. For PnB, no effects were seen in a 13-wk study at doses as high as 1,000 mg/kg-d. A dose of 273 mg/kg-d constituted a LOAEL (increased organ weights without histopathology) in a 13-week dermal study for DPnB. For TPM, increased kidney weights (no histopathology) and transiently decreased body weights were found at a dose of 2,895 mg/kg-d in a 90-day study in rabbits. By inhalation, no effects were observed in 2-week studies in rats at the highest tested concentrations of 3244 mg/m3 (600 ppm) for PnB and 2,010 mg/m3 (260 ppm) for DPnB. TPM caused increased liver weights without histopathology by inhalation in a 2-week study at a LOAEL of 360 mg/m3 (43 ppm). In this study, the highest tested TPM concentration, 1010 mg/m3 (120 ppm), also caused increased liver weights without accompanying histopathology. Although no repeated-dose studies are available for the oral route for TPM, or for any route for DPMA, it is anticipated that these chemicals would behave similarly to other category members.

One and two-generation reproductive toxicity testing has been conducted in mice, rats, and rabbits via the oral or inhalation routes of exposure on PM and PMA. In an inhalation rat study using PM, the NOAEL for parental toxicity is 300 ppm (1106 mg/m3) with decreases in body and organ weights occurring at the LOAEL of 1000 ppm (3686 mg/m3). For offspring toxicity the NOAEL is 1000 ppm (3686 mg/m3), with decreased body weights occurring at 3000 ppm (11058 mg/m3). For PMA, the NOAEL for parental and offspring toxicity is 1000 mg/kg/d. in a two generation gavage study in rats. No adverse effects were found on reproductive organs, fertility rates, or other indices commonly monitored in such studies. In addition, there is no evidence from histopathological data from repeated-dose studies for the category members that would indicate that these chemicals would pose a reproductive hazard to human health.

In developmental toxicity studies many PGEs have been tested by various routes of exposure and in various species at significant exposure levels and show no frank developmental effects. Due to the rapid hydrolysis of DPMA to DPM, DPMA would not be expected to show teratogenic effects. At high doses where maternal toxicity occurs (e.g., significant body weight loss), an increased incidence of some anomalies such as delayed skeletal ossification or increased 13th ribs, have been reported. Commercially available PGEs showed no teratogenicity.

The weight of the evidence indicates that propylene glycol ethers are not likely to be genotoxic. In vitro, negative results have been seen in a number of assays for PnB, DPnB, DPMA and TPM. Positive results were only seen in 3 out of 5 chromosome aberration assays in mammalian cells with DPnB. However, negative results were seen in a mouse micronucleus assay with DPnB and PM. Thus, there is no evidence to suggest these PGEs would be genotoxic in vivo. In a 2-year bioassay on PM, there were no statistically significant increases in tumors in rats and mice. A BASF report (in ECETOC) showed that inhalation exposure to 545 ppm PGMEA (beta isomer) was associated with a teratogenic response in rabbits; but exposure to 145 ppm and 36 ppm had no adverse effects.

The beta isomer of PGMEA comprises only 10% of the commercial material, the remaining 90% is alpha isomer. Hazard appears low but emphasizes the need for care in handling this chemical. [I.C.I]

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for acetone

The acute toxicity of acetone is low. Acetone is not a skin irritant or sensitiser but is a defatting agent to the skin. Acetone is an eye irritant. The subchronic toxicity of acetone has been examined in mice and rats that were administered acetone in the drinking water and again in rats treated by oral gavage. Acetone-induced increases in relative kidney weight changes were observed in male and female rats used in the oral 13-week study. Acetone treatment caused increases in the relative liver weight in male and female rats that were not associated with histopathologic effects and the effects may have been associated with microsomal enzyme induction. Haematologic effects consistent with macrocytic anaemia were also noted in male rats along with hyperpigmentation in the spleen. The most notable findings in the mice were increased liver and decreased spleen weights. Overall, the no-observed-effect-levels in the drinking water study were 1% for male rats (900 mg/kg/d) and male mice (2258 mg/kg/d), 2% for female mice (5945 mg/kg/d), and 5% for female rats (3100 mg/kg/d). For developmental effects, a statistically significant reduction in foetal weight, and a slight, but statistically significant increase in the percent incidence of later resorptions were seen in mice at 15,665 mg/m3 and in rats at 26,100 mg/m3. The no-observable-effect level for developmental toxicity was determined to be 5220 mg/m3 for both rats and mice.

Teratogenic effects were not observed in rats and mice tested at 26,110 and 15,665 mg/m3, respectively. Lifetime dermal carcinogenicity studies in mice treated with up to 0.2 mL of acetone did not reveal any increase in organ tumor incidence relative to untreated control animals. The scientific literature contains many different studies that have measured either the neurobehavioural performance or neurophysiological response of humans exposed to acetone. Effect levels ranging from about 600 to greater than 2375 mg/m3 have been reported. Neurobehavioral studies with acetone-exposed employees have recently shown that 8-hr exposures in excess of 2375 mg/m3 were not associated with any dose-related changes in response time, vigilance, or digit span scores. Clinical case studies, controlled human volunteer studies, animal research, and occupational field evaluations all indicate that the NOAEL for this effect is 2375 mg/m3 or greater.

XYLENE & BUTYL BENZYL PHTHALATE

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Coat) & ACETONE

The substance is classified by IARC as Group 3:

NOT classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans.

Evidence of carcinogenicity may be inadequate or limited in animal testing.

Acute Toxicity	×	Carcinogenicity	×
Skin Irritation/Corrosion	<b>*</b>	Reproductivity	<b>✓</b>
Serious Eye Damage/Irritation	<b>✓</b>	STOT - Single Exposure	✓
Respiratory or Skin sensitisation	×	STOT - Repeated Exposure	×
Mutagenicity	×	Aspiration Hazard	✓

Legend:

🗶 – Data either not available or does not fill the criteria for classification

🥓 – Data available to make classification

# **SECTION 12 Ecological information**

# **Toxicity**

ColorSpec Acrylic Clear Coat,	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
400g (Colorspec Acrylic Clear Coat)	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
	EC50	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants	4.6mg/l	2
xylene	LC50	96h	Fish	2.6mg/l	2
	EC50	48h	Crustacea	1.8mg/l	2
	NOEC(ECx)	73h	Algae or other aquatic plants	0.44mg/	2
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
	NOEC(ECx)	48h	Fish	0.001mg/L	4
acetone	LC50	96h	Fish	>100mg/l	4
	EC50	48h	Crustacea	6098.4mg/L	5
	EC50	96h	Algae or other aquatic plants	9.873-27.684mg/	4
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Sourc
	EC50(ECx)	96h	Fish	18mg/l	2
n-butyl acetate	EC50	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants	246mg/	2
	LC50	96h	Fish	18mg/l	2
	EC50	48h	Crustacea	32mg/l	1
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Sourc
	LC50	96h	Fish	5-35mg/l	4
toluene	EC50	48h	Crustacea	3.78mg/L	5
	NOEC(ECx)	168h	Crustacea	0.74mg/L	5
	EC50	96h	Algae or other aquatic plants	>376.71mg/L	4
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Sourc
	EC50	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants	>1000mg/l	2
oropylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer	LC50	96h	Fish	>100mg/l	2
ether acetate, alpha-isonier	EC50	48h	Crustacea	373mg/l	2
	NOEC(ECx)	336h	Fish	47.5mg/l	2

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EC50	96h	Algae or other aquatic plants	>1000mg/l	2
Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
NOEC(ECx)	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants	0.1mg/l	1
EC50	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants	0.5mg/l	1
LC50	96h	Fish	0.46-0.55mg/l	4
EC50	48h	Crustacea	0.97mg/l	1
EC50	96h	Algae or other aquatic plants	>2.69mg/l	1
Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
NOEC(ECx)	504h	Crustacea	4mg/L	5
EC50	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants	593mg/l	2
LC50	96h	Fish	1328.18mg/L	4
EC50	48h	Crustacea	ca.600mg/l	1
Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Value	Source
EC50	48h	Crustacea	>4400mg/L	2
LC50	96h	Fish	1783.04mg/l	2
NOEC(ECx)	48h	Crustacea	>4000mg/l	1
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Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Do NOT allow product to come in contact with surface waters or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when cleaning equipment or disposing of equipment wash-waters.

Wastes resulting from use of the product must be disposed of on site or at approved waste sites.

for propylene glycol ethers:

#### **Environmental fate:**

Most are liquids at room temperature and all are water-soluble.

Typical propylene glycol ethers include propylene glycol n-butyl ether (PnB); dipropylene glycol n-butyl ether (DPnB); dipropylene glycol methyl ether acetate (DPMA); tripropylene glycol methyl ether (TPM)

Environmental fate: Log octanol-water partition coefficients (log Kow's) range from 0.309 for TPM to 1.523 for DPnB. Calculated BCFs range from 1.47 for DPnB to 3.16 for DPMA and TPM, indicating low bioaccumulation. Henry's Law Constants, which indicate propensity to partition from water to air, are low for all category members, ranging from 5.7 x 10-9 atm-m3/mole for TPM to 2.7 x10-9 atm-m3/mole for PnB. Fugacity modeling indicates that most propylene glycol ethers are likely to partition roughly equally into the soil and water compartments in the environment with small to negligible amounts remaining in other environmental compartments (air, sediment, and aquatic biota). Propylene glycol ethers are unlikely to persist in the environment. Once in air, the half-life of the category members due to direct reactions with photochemically generated hydroxyl radicals, range from 2.0 hours for TPM to 4.6 hours for PnB. In water, most members of this family are "readily biodegradable" under aerobic conditions. (DPMA degraded within 28 days (and within the specified 10-day window) but only using pre-adapted or "acclimated" inoculum.). In soil, biodegradation is rapid for PM and PMA.

## **Ecotoxicity:**

Acute aquatic toxicity testing indicates low toxicity for both ethers and acetates. For ethers, effect concentrations are > 500 mg/L. For acetates, effect concentrations are > 151 mg/L. For aromatic hydrocarbons:

Within an aromatic series, acute toxicity increases with increasing alkyl substitution on the aromatic nucleus. For example, there is an increase in toxicity as alkylation of the naphthalene structure increases. The order of most toxic to least in a study using grass shrimp (Palaemonetes pugio) and brown shrimp (Penaeus aztecus) was dimethylnaphthalenes > methylnaphthalenes.

Studies conclude that the toxicity of an oil appears to be a function of its di-aromatic and tri-aromatic hydrocarbons, which includes three-ring hydrocarbons such as phenanthrene. The heavier (4-, 5-, and 6-ring) PAHs are more persistent than the lighter (2- and 3-ring) PAHs and tend to have greater carcinogenic and other chronic impact potential. PAHs in general are more frequently associated with chronic risks. These risks include cancer and often are the result of exposures to complex mixtures of chronic-risk aromatics (such as PAHs, alkyl PAHs, benzenes, and alkyl benzenes), rather than exposures to low levels of a single compound.

Anthracene is a phototoxic PAH. UV light greatly increases the toxicity of anthracene to bluegill sunfish. Benchmarks developed in the absence of UV light may be under-protective, and biological resources in strong sunlight are at more risk than those that are not.

Volatile furandiones and aldehydes are significant atmospheric oxidation products of aromatic compounds. Highly acidic dicarboxylic acids produced by the reactions between furandiones and water were shown to rapidly acidify an aqueous phase

For butyl benzyl phthalate (BBP) log Kow: 4.78-4.91 Half-life (hr) air: 24-120 Henry's atm m3 /mol: 1.30E-06 BCF: 663

Environmental fate:

Terrestrial Fate: A measured soil adsorption constant for BBP is 68-350; thus if released to land it will sorb to soil and should not leach appreciably, although it has been detected in ground water. The most significant fate process for BBP in soil will be biodegradation. Because of its low volatility, evaporation of BBP from soil is not expected to be significant.

Aquatic Fate: BBP has a log Kow of 4.77. Thus, BBP released to waters will partition to solids such as sediment and biota. The primary fate mechanism for BBP will be biodegradation. At an initial concentration of 1 mg/L in a lake water microcosm, primary degradation accounted for >95% loss of BBP in 7 days; after 28 days, 51-65% of it had mineralized (ultimate degradation). Based on the estimated Henry's Law constant, volatilization of BBP from water will not be significant except from shallow rivers or during high wind activity. Photodegradation and hydrolysis will not be significant, since the half-lives for these processes are >100 days.

Atmospheric Fate: BBP released to the atmosphere has an estimated half-life of 1-5 days. However, volatilization of BBP to the atmosphere is not expected to be a significant transport mechanism, since its vapor pressure is only 8.6 x 10-6 mm Hg at 20 C and its Henry's Law constant is <1.0 x 10-6 atm/mol m3 Ecotoxicity:

Fish LC50 (96 h): 1.7-43 mg/L Invertebrate LC50 (96 h): 3.7 mg/L Bioaccumulation : little Anaerobic effects : sig degrad

Effects on algae and plankton: LC50(96)0.4-1mg/L

Degradation Biological: sig processes Abiotic: not sig

For xylenes : log Koc : 2.05-3.08

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Koc: 25.4-204

Half-life (hr) air : 0.24-42

Half-life (hr) H2O surface water : 24-672 Half-life (hr) H2O ground : 336-8640

Half-life (hr) soil : 52-672 Henry's Pa m3 /mol: 637-879 Henry's atm m3 /mol: 7.68E-03 BOD 5 if unstated: 1.4,1% COD : 2.56.13%

ThOD: 3.125 BCF: 23 log BCF: 1.17-2.41 Environmental Fate

Terrestrial fate:: Measured Koc values of 166 and 182, indicate that 3-xylene is expected to have moderate mobility in soil. Volatilisation of p-xylene is expected to be important from moist soil surfaces given a measured Henry's Law constant of 7.18x10-3 atm-cu m/mole. The potential for volatilisation of 3-xylene from dry soil surfaces may exist based on a measured vapor pressure of 8.29 mm Hg. p-Xylene may be degraded during its passage through soil). The extent of the degradation is expected to depend on its concentration, residence time in the soil, the nature of the soil, and whether resident microbial populations have been acclimated. p-Xylene, present in soil samples contaminated with jet fuel, was completely degraded aerobically within 5 days. In aquifer studies under anaerobic conditions, p-xylene was degraded, usually within several weeks, with the production of 3-methylbenzylsuccinic acid, 3-methylbenzylsuccinic acid, 3-methylbenzoate, and 3-methylbenzaldehyde as metabolites.

Aquatic fate: Koc values indicate that p-xylene may adsorb to suspended solids and sediment in water. p-Xylene is expected to volatilise from water surfaces based on the measured Henry's Law constant. Estimated volatilisation half-lives for a model river and model lake are 3 hours and 4 days, respectively. BCF values of 14.8, 23.4, and 6, measured in goldfish, eels, and clams, respectively, indicate that bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low. p-Xylene in water with added humic substances was 50% degraded following 3 hours irradiation suggesting that indirect photooxidation in the presence of humic acids may play an important role in the abiotic degradation of p-xylene. Although p-xylene is biodegradable and has been observed to degrade in pond water, there are insufficient data to assess the rate of this process in surface waters. p-Xylene has been observed to degrade in anaerobic groundwater in several studies; however, it is known to persist for many years in groundwater, at least at sites where the concentration might have been quite high.

#### Atmospheric fate:

Most xylenes released to the environment will occur in the atmosphere and volatilisation is the dominant environmental fate process. In the ambient atmosphere, xylenes are expected to exist solely in the vapour phase. Xylenes are degraded in the atmosphere primarily by reaction with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals, with an estimated atmospheric lifetime of about 0.5 to 2 days. Xylenes' susceptibility to photochemical oxidation in the troposphere is to the extent that they may contribute to photochemical smog formation. According to a model of gas/particle partitioning of semivolatile organic compounds in the atmosphere and from its vapour pressure, p-xylene, is expected to exist solely as a vapour in the ambient atmosphere. Vapour-phase p-xylene is degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals; the half-life of this reaction in air is estimated to be about 16 hours. A half-life of 1.0 hr in summer and 10 hr in winter was measured for the reaction of p-xylene with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals. p-Xylene has a moderately high photochemical reactivity under smog conditions, higher than the other xylene isomers, with loss rates varying from 9-42% per hr. The photooxidation of p-xylene results in the production of carbon monoxide, formaldehyde, glyoxal, methylghyoxal, 3-methylbenzylnitrate, m-tolualdehyde, 4-nitro-3-xylene, 5-nitro-3-xylene, 2,6-dimethylphenol, and 4-nitro-2,6-dimethylphenol.

#### **Ecotoxicity:**

for xylenes

Fish LC50 (96 h) Pimephales promelas 13.4 mg/l; Oncorhyncus mykiss 8.05 mg/l; Lepomis macrochirus 16.1 mg/l (all flow through values); Pimephales promelas 26.7 (static)

Daphnia EC50 948 h): 3.83 mg/l

Photobacterium phosphoreum EC50 (24 h): 0.0084 mg/l

Gammarus lacustris LC50 (48 h): 0.6 mg/l

#### For ketones:

Ketones, unless they are alpha, beta--unsaturated ketones, can be considered as narcosis or baseline toxicity compounds

Hydrolysis may also involve the addition of water to ketones to yield ketals under mild acid conditions. However, this addition of water is thermodynamically favorable only for low molecular weight ketones. This addition is an equilibrium reaction that is reversible upon a change of water concentration and the reaction ultimately leads to no permanent change in the structure of the ketone substrateThe higher molecular weight ketones do no form stable ketals. Therefore, the ketones are stable to water under ambient environmental conditions Another possible reaction of ketones in water involves the enolic hydrogen on the carbons bonded to the carbonyl function. Under conditions of high pH (pH greater than 10), the enolic proton is abstracted by base (OH-) forming a carbanion intermediate that may react with other organic substrates (e.g., ketones, esters, aldehydes) containing a center for nucleophilic attack. The reactions, commonly recognized as condensation reactions, produce higher molecular weight products. Under ambient conditions of temperature, pH, and low concentration, these condensation reactions are unfavorable.

Based on its reactions in air, it seems likely that ketones undergo photolysis in water. It is probable that ketones will be biodegraded to an appreciable degree by micro-organisms in soil and water. They are unlikely to bioconcentrate or biomagnify.

Most ethers are very resistant to hydrolysis, and the rate of cleavage of the carbon-oxygen bond by abiotic processes is expected to be insignificant.

Direct photolysis will not be an important removal process since aliphatic ethers do not absorb light at wavelengths >290 nm

For toluene: log Kow : 2.1-3 log Koc : 1.12-2.85 Koc : 37-260 log Kom : 1.39-2.89 Half-life (hr) air : 2.4-104

Half-life (hr) H2O surface water : 5.55-528 Half-life (hr) H2O ground : 168-2628 Half-life (hr) soil : <48-240

Henry's Pa m3 /mol: 518-694 Henry's atm m3 /mol: 5.94E-03 BOD 5 0.86-2.12, 5% COD : 0.7-2.52,21-27% ThOD : 3.13

BCF: 1.67-380 log BCF: 0.22-3.28 Environmental fate:

**Transport:** The majority of toluene evaporates to the atmosphere from the water and soil. It is moderately retarded by adsorption to soils rich in organic material (Koc = 259), therefore, transport to ground water is dependent on the soil composition. In unsaturated topsoil containing organic material, it has been estimated that 97% of the toluene is adsorbed to the soil and only about 2% is in the soil-water phase and transported with flowing groundwater. There is little retardation in sandy soils and 2-13% of the toluene was estimated to migrate with flowing water; the remainder was volatilised, biodegraded, or unaccounted for. In saturated deep soils with no soil-air phase, about 48% may be transported with flowing groundwater.

#### Transformation/Persistence:

Air - The main degradation pathway for toluene in the atmosphere is reaction with photochemically produced hydroxyl radicals. The estimated atmospheric half life for toluene is about 13 hours. Toluene is also oxidised by reactions with atmospheric nitrogen dioxide, oxygen, and ozone, but these are minor degradation pathways. Photolysis is not considered a significant degradative pathway for toluene

Soil - In surface soil, volatilisation to air is an important fate process for toluene. Biodegradation of toluene has been demonstrated in the laboratory to occur with a half life of about 1 hour. In the environment, biodegradation of toluene to carbon dioxide occurs with a typical half life of 1-7 days.

Water - An important fate process for toluene is volatilization, the rate of which depends on the amount of turbulence in the surface water. The volatilisation of toluene from static water has a half life of 1-16 days, whereas from turbulent water the half life is 5-6 hours. Degradation of toluene in surface water occurs primarily by biodegradation with a half life of less than one day under favorable conditions (presence of microorganisms, microbial adaptation, and optimum temperature). Biodegradation also occurs in shallow groundwater and in salt water at a reduced rate). No data are available on anaerobic degradation of toluene in deep ground water conditions where aerobic degradation would be minimal.

**Biota** - Bioaccumulation in most organisms is limited by the metabolism of toluene into more polar compounds that have greater water solubility and a lower affinity for lipids. Bioaccumulation in the food chain is predicted to be low.

Ecotoxicity:

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Toluene has moderate acute toxicity to aquatic organisms; several toxicity values are in the range of greater than 1 mg/L and 100 mg/L.

Fish LC50 (96 h): fathead minnow (Pimephales promelas) 12.6-72 mg/l; Lepomis macrochirus 13-24 mg/l;

guppy (Poecilia reticulata) 28.2-59.3 mg/l; channel catfish (Ictalurus punctatus) 240 mg/l; goldfish (Carassius auratus): 22.8-57.68 mg/l

Crustaceans LC50 (96 h): grass shrimp (Palaemonetes pugio) 9.5 ppm, crab larvae stage (Cancer magister) 28 ppm; shrimp (Crangon franciscorum) 4.3 ppm; daggerblade grass shrimp (Palaemonetes pugio) 9.5 mg/l

Algae EC50 (24 h): green algae (Chlorella vulgaris) 245 mg/l (growth); (72 h) green algae (Selenastrum capricornutum) 12.5 mg/l (growth)

#### DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

For n-butyl acetate:

Half-life (hr) air : 144

Half-life (hr) H2O surface water: 178-27156

Henry's atm m3 /mol: 3.20E-04 BOD 5 if unstated: 0.15-1.02,7%

COD: 78% ThOD : 2 207 BCF: 4-14

#### **Environmental Fate:**

TERRESTRIAL FATE: An estimated Koc value of 200 determined from a measured log Kow of 1.78 indicates that n-butyl acetate is expected to have moderate mobility in soil. Volatilisation of n-butyl acetate is expected from moist soil surfaces given its Henry's Law constant of 2.8x10-4 atm-cu m/mole. Volatilisation from dry soil surfaces is expected based on a measured vapor pressure of 11.5 mm Hg. Using a standard BOD dilution technique and a sewage inoculum, theoretical BODs of 56 % to 86 % were observed during 5-20 day incubation periods, which suggests that n-butyl acetate may biodegrade in soil.

AQUATIC FATE: An estimated Koc value indicates that n-butyl acetate is not expected to adsorb to suspended solids and sediment in water. Butyl acetate is expected to volatilise from water surfaces based on a Henry's Law constant of 2.8x10-4 atm-cu m/mole. Estimated half-lives for a model river and model lake are 7 and 127, hours respectively. An estimated BCF value of 10 based on the log Kow, suggests that bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low. Using a filtered sewage seed, 5-day and 20-day theoretical BODs of 58 % and 83 % were measured in freshwater dilution tests; 5-day and 20-day theoretical BODs of 40 % and 61 % were measured in salt water. A 5-day theoretical BOD of 56.8 % and 51.8 % were measured for n-butyl acetate in distilled water and seawater, respectively. Hydrolysis may be an important environmental fate for this compound based upon experimentally determined hydrolysis half-lives of 114 and 11 days at pH 8 and 9 respectively.

ATMOSPHERIC FATE: According to a model of gas/particle partitioning of semivolatile organic compounds in the atmosphere, n-butyl acetate, which has a vapour pressure of 11.5 mm Hg at 25 deg C, is expected to exist solely as a vapor in the ambient atmosphere. Vapour-phase n-butyl acetate is degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemicallyproduced hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for this reaction in air is estimated to be about 4 days

#### **Environmental fate:**

Fish LC50 (96 h, 23 C): island silverside (Menidia beryllina) 185 ppm (static bioassay in synthetic seawater, mild aeration applied after 24 h); bluegill sunfish (Lepomis macrochirus) 100 ppm (static bioassay in fresh water, mild aeration applied after 24 h)

Fish EC50 (96 h): fathead minnow (Pimephales promelas) 18 mg/l (affected fish lost equilibrium prior to death)

Daphnia LC50 (48 h): 44 ppm

Algal LC50 (96 h): Scenedesmus 320 ppm

for acetone: log Kow: -0.24 Half-life (hr) air: 312-1896 Half-life (hr) H2O surface water: 20 Henry's atm m3 /mol: 3.67E-05 BOD 5: 0.31-1.76,46-55% COD: 1.12-2.07

ThOD: 2.2 BCF: 0.69

# **Environmental fate:**

Acetone preferentially locates in the air compartment when released to the environment. A substantial amount of acetone can also be found in water, which is consistent with the high water to air partition coefficient and its small, but detectable, presence in rain water, sea water, and lake water samples. Very little acetone is expected to reside in soil, biota, or suspended solids. This is entirely consistent with the physical and chemical properties of acetone and with measurements showing a low propensity for soil absorption and a high preference for moving through the soil and into the ground water

In air, acetone is lost by photolysis and reaction with photochemically produced hydroxyl radicals; the estimated half-life of these combined processes is about 22 days. The relatively long half-life allows acetone to be transported long distances from its emission source.

Acetone is highly soluble and slightly persistent in water, with a half-life of about 20 hours; it is minimally toxic to aquatic life.

Acetone released to soil volatilises although some may leach into the ground where it rapidly biodegrades.

Acetone does not concentrate in the food chain.

Acetone meets the OECD definition of readily biodegradable which requires that the biological oxygen demand (BOD) is at least 70% of the theoretical oxygen demand (THOD) within the 28-day test period

Drinking Water Standard: none available

Soil Guidelines: none available.

Air Quality Standards: none available

#### **Ecotoxicity:**

Testing shows that acetone exhibits a low order of toxicity Fish LC50: brook trout 6070 mg/l; fathead minnow 15000 mg/l Bird LC0 (5 day): Japanese quail, ring-neck pheasant 40,000 mg/l Daphnia magna LC50 (48 h): 15800 mg/l; NOEC 8500 mg/l

Aquatic invertebrate 2100 - 16700 mg/l Aquatic plant NOEC: 5400-7500 mg/l Daphnia magna chronic NOEC 1660 mg/l

Acetone vapors were shown to be relatively toxic to two types insects and their eggs. The time to 50% lethality (LT50) was found to be 51.2 hr and 67.9 hr when the flour beetle (Tribolium confusum) and the flour moth (Ephestia kuehniella) were exposed to an airborne acetone concentration of 61.5 mg/m3. The LT50 values for the eggs were 30-50% lower than for the adult. The direct application of acetone liquid to the body of the insects or surface of the eggs did not, however, cause any mortality.

The ability of acetone to inhibit cell multiplication has been examined in a wide variety of microorganisms. The results have generally indicated mild to minimal toxicity with NOECs greater than 1700 mg/L for exposures lasting from 6 hr to 4 days. Longer exposure periods of 7 to 8 days with bacteria produced mixed results; but overall the data indicate a low degree of toxicity for acetone. The only exception to these findings were the results obtained with the flagellated protozoa (Entosiphon sulcatum) which yielded a 3-day NOEC of 28 mg/L.

#### Persistence and degradability

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
xylene	HIGH (Half-life = 360 days)	LOW (Half-life = 1.83 days)
acetone	LOW (Half-life = 14 days)	MEDIUM (Half-life = 116.25 days)
n-butyl acetate	LOW	LOW
toluene	LOW (Half-life = 28 days)	LOW (Half-life = 4.33 days)
propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer	LOW	LOW

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Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
butyl benzyl phthalate	HIGH (Half-life = 180 days)	LOW (Half-life = 2.5 days)
isobutanol	LOW (Half-life = 14.42 days)	LOW (Half-life = 4.15 days)
dimethyl ether	LOW	LOW

#### Bioaccumulative potential

Ingredient	Bioaccumulation
xylene	MEDIUM (BCF = 740)
acetone	LOW (BCF = 0.69)
n-butyl acetate	LOW (BCF = 14)
toluene	LOW (BCF = 90)
propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer	LOW (LogKOW = 0.56)
butyl benzyl phthalate	MEDIUM (BCF = 663)
isobutanol	LOW (LogKOW = 0.76)
dimethyl ether	LOW (LogKOW = 0.1)

# Mobility in soil

Ingredient	Mobility
acetone	HIGH (KOC = 1.981)
n-butyl acetate	LOW (KOC = 20.86)
toluene	LOW (KOC = 268)
propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer	HIGH (KOC = 1.838)
butyl benzyl phthalate	LOW (KOC = 9359)
isobutanol	MEDIUM (KOC = 2.048)
dimethyl ether	HIGH (KOC = 1.292)

# **SECTION 13 Disposal considerations**

# Waste treatment methods

Product / Packaging disposal

Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/ or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked.

A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate:

- Reduction
- ► Reuse
- ► Recycling
- Disposal (if all else fails)

This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. If it has been contaminated, it may be possible to reclaim the product by filtration, distillation or some other means. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate.

- DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning or process equipment to enter drains.
  - It may be necessary to collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
  - In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
  - ▶ Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.
  - ► Consult State Land Waste Management Authority for disposal.
  - Discharge contents of damaged aerosol cans at an approved site.
  - Allow small quantities to evaporate.
  - DO NOT incinerate or puncture aerosol cans.
  - ▶ Bury residues and emptied aerosol cans at an approved site.

# **SECTION 14 Transport information**

# **Labels Required**



# **Marine Pollutant**



HAZCHEM

Not Applicable

# Land transport (ADG)

**UN** number

1950

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UN proper shipping name	AEROSOLS		
Transport hazard class(es)	Class 2.1 Subrisk Not Applicable		
Packing group	Not Applicable		
Environmental hazard	Environmentally hazardous		
Special precautions for user	Special provisions         63 190 277 327 344 381           Limited quantity         1000ml		

# Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR)

All transport (ICAO-IATA / DOI	• ,			
UN number	1950			
UN proper shipping name	Aerosols, flammable			
Transport hazard class(es)	ICAO/IATA Class ICAO / IATA Subrisk ERG Code	2.1  Not Applicable  10L		
Packing group	Not Applicable			
Environmental hazard	Environmentally hazardous			
Special precautions for user	Special provisions  Cargo Only Packing Instructions  Cargo Only Maximum Qty / Pack  Passenger and Cargo Packing Instructions  Passenger and Cargo Maximum Qty / Pack  Passenger and Cargo Limited Quantity Packing Instructions  Passenger and Cargo Limited Maximum Qty / Pack		A145 A167 A802 203 150 kg 203 75 kg Y203 30 kg G	

# Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee)

UN number	1950		
UN proper shipping name	AEROSOLS		
Transport hazard class(es)	IMDG Class 2.1 IMDG Subrisk Not Applicable		
Packing group	Not Applicable		
Environmental hazard	Marine Pollutant		
Special precautions for user	EMS Number  Special provisions  Limited Quantities	F-D , S-U 63 190 277 327 344 381 959 1000 ml	

# Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Not Applicable

# Transport in bulk in accordance with MARPOL Annex V and the IMSBC Code

Product name	Group
xylene	Not Available
acetone	Not Available
n-butyl acetate	Not Available
toluene	Not Available
propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer	Not Available
butyl benzyl phthalate	Not Available
isobutanol	Not Available
dimethyl ether	Not Available

# Transport in bulk in accordance with the ICG Code

Product name	Ship Type
xylene	Not Available
acetone	Not Available
n-butyl acetate	Not Available
toluene	Not Available

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Product name	Ship Type
propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer	Not Available
butyl benzyl phthalate	Not Available
isobutanol	Not Available
dimethyl ether	Not Available

# **SECTION 15 Regulatory information**

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

#### xylene is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) -Schedule 5

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 6

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Classified by the IARC Monographs

#### acetone is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) -Schedule 5 Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

# n-butyl acetate is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

#### toluene is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 5

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule  $\bf 6$ 

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

Chemical Footprint Project - Chemicals of High Concern List

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Classified by the IARC Monographs

propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

## butyl benzyl phthalate is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 10 / Appendix C

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

Chemical Footprint Project - Chemicals of High Concern List

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Classified by the IARC Monographs

#### isobutanol is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

# dimethyl ether is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) -

Schedule 5

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)

#### National Inventory Status

National Inventory Status	
National Inventory	Status
Australia - AIIC / Australia Non-Industrial Use	Yes
Canada - DSL	Yes
Canada - NDSL	No (xylene; acetone; n-butyl acetate; toluene; propylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, alpha-isomer; butyl benzyl phthalate; isobutanol; dimethyl ether)
China - IECSC	Yes
Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP	Yes
Japan - ENCS	Yes
Korea - KECI	Yes
New Zealand - NZIoC	Yes
Philippines - PICCS	Yes
USA - TSCA	Yes
Taiwan - TCSI	Yes
Mexico - INSQ	Yes
Vietnam - NCI	Yes
Russia - FBEPH	Yes
Legend:	Yes = All CAS declared ingredients are on the inventory No = One or more of the CAS listed ingredients are not on the inventory. These ingredients may be exempt or will require registration.

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

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#### **SDS Version Summary**

Version	Date of Update	Sections Updated
5.1.1.1	01/11/2019	One-off system update. NOTE: This may or may not change the GHS classification
6.1.1.1	14/09/2020	Classification
6.1.2.1	26/04/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.3.1	03/05/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.4.1	06/05/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.5.1	10/05/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.5.2	30/05/2021	Template Change
6.1.5.3	04/06/2021	Template Change
6.1.5.4	05/06/2021	Template Change
6.1.6.4	07/06/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.6.5	09/06/2021	Template Change
6.1.6.6	11/06/2021	Template Change
6.1.6.7	15/06/2021	Template Change
6.1.7.7	17/06/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.8.7	21/06/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.8.8	05/07/2021	Template Change
6.1.9.8	14/07/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.10.8	19/07/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.10.9	01/08/2021	Template Change
6.1.11.9	02/08/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.12.9	05/08/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.13.9	09/08/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.14.9	23/08/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.15.9	26/08/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.15.10	29/08/2021	Template Change
6.1.16.10	30/08/2021	Regulation Change
6.1.17.10	06/09/2021	Regulation Change

# Other information

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

# **Definitions and abbreviations**

PC-TWA: Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average

PC-STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit。

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations

ES: Exposure Standard OSF: Odour Safety Factor

NOAEL :No Observed Adverse Effect Level

LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level

TLV: Threshold Limit Value LOD: Limit Of Detection

OTV: Odour Threshold Value

BCF: BioConcentration Factors

BEI: Biological Exposure Index

AIIC: Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals

DSL: Domestic Substances List

NDSL: Non-Domestic Substances List

IECSC: Inventory of Existing Chemical Substance in China

EINECS: European INventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances

ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances

NLP: No-Longer Polymers

ENCS: Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory

KECI: Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory

NZIoC: New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

PICCS: Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

TSCA: Toxic Substances Control Act

TCSI: Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory

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NCI: National Chemical Inventory

FBEPH: Russian Register of Potentially Hazardous Chemical and Biological Substances

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