

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Tetrachloroethylene

Product Number : 371696

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

##### OSHA Hazards

Carcinogen

##### Target Organs

Heart, Central nervous system, Liver, Kidney

##### GHS Classification

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 5)

Eye irritation (Category 2B)

Carcinogenicity (Category 2)

Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 2)

##### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H303

May be harmful if swallowed.

H320

Causes eye irritation.

H351

Suspected of causing cancer.

H401

Toxic to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)

P281

Use personal protective equipment as required.

P305 + P351 + P338

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

#### HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 1

Chronic Health Hazard: \*

Flammability: 0

Physical hazards: 0

**NFPA Rating**

Health hazard: 1

Fire: 0

Reactivity Hazard: 0

**Potential Health Effects**

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.  
**Skin** May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.  
**Eyes** May cause eye irritation.  
**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

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**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Synonyms : Perchloroethylene  
PCE

Formula : C<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>4</sub>  
Molecular Weight : 165.83 g/mol

Component	Concentration
<b>Tetrachloroethylene</b>	
CAS-No.	127-18-4
EC-No.	204-825-9
Index-No.	602-028-00-4

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**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

**General advice**

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

**If inhaled**

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

**In case of skin contact**

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

**In case of eye contact**

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

**If swallowed**

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

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**5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

**Conditions of flammability**

Not flammable or combustible.

**Suitable extinguishing media**

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

**Special protective equipment for firefighters**

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

**Hazardous combustion products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, Hydrogen chloride gas

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**Personal precautions**

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

### Environmental precautions

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

### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

### Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Tetrachloroethylene	127-18-4	TWA	25 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
Remarks	Central Nervous System impairment Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Confirmed animal carcinogen with unknown relevance to humans			
		STEL	100 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
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		TWA	25 ppm 170 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		TWA	100 ppm	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z2
		CEIL	200 ppm	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z2
		Peak	300 ppm	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z2
	Potential Occupational Carcinogen Minimize workplace exposure concentrations. See Appendix A			

### Personal protective equipment

#### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Hand protection

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

#### Eye protection

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin and body protection

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

### Hygiene measures

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

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

Form	liquid, clear
Colour	colourless

### Safety data

pH	no data available
Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: -22 °C (-8 °F) - lit.
Boiling point	121 °C (250 °F) - lit.
Flash point	no data available
Ignition temperature	no data available
Autoignition temperature	no data available
Lower explosion limit	no data available
Upper explosion limit	no data available
Vapour pressure	25.3 hPa (19.0 mmHg) at 25.0 °C (77.0 °F) 17.3 hPa (13.0 mmHg) at 20.0 °C (68.0 °F)
Density	1.623 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25 °C (77 °F)
Water solubility	no data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 3.40
Relative vapour density	no data available
Odour	no data available
Odour Threshold	no data available
Evaporation rate	no data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

### Conditions to avoid

no data available

### Materials to avoid

Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases

### Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, Hydrogen chloride gas  
Other decomposition products - no data available

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## Acute toxicity

### Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - rat - 2,629 mg/kg

### Inhalation LC50

LC50 Inhalation - rat - 8 h - 34,200 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

### Dermal LD50

no data available

### Other information on acute toxicity

no data available

## Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - rabbit - Severe irritation - 24 h

## Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - rabbit - Mild eye irritation - 24 h

## Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

## Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

## Carcinogenicity

Limited evidence of carcinogenicity in animal studies

IARC: 2A - Group 2A: Probably carcinogenic to humans (Tetrachloroethylene)

NTP: Reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen (Tetrachloroethylene)

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

## Reproductive toxicity

no data available

## Teratogenicity

no data available

## Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

## Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

## Aspiration hazard

no data available

## Potential health effects

### Inhalation

May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.

### Ingestion

May be harmful if swallowed.

### Skin

May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.

### Eyes

May cause eye irritation.

**Signs and Symptoms of Exposure**

narcosis, Liver injury may occur., Kidney injury may occur.

**Synergistic effects**

no data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: KX3850000

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

Toxicity to fish	LC50 - Cyprinodon variegatus (sheepshead minnow) - 9.8 mg/l - 96.0 h
	LC50 - Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 13 mg/l - 96.0 h
	LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 4.9 mg/l - 96.0 h
	NOEC - Oryzias latipes - 17 mg/l - 10.0 d
	NOEC - Cyprinodon variegatus (sheepshead minnow) - 29 mg/l - 96.0 h
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 7.50 mg/l - 48 h

**Persistence and degradability****Bioaccumulative potential**

Bioaccumulation	Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 21 d Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 49
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**Mobility in soil**

no data available

**PBT and vPvB assessment**

no data available

**Other adverse effects**

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Toxic to aquatic life.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****Product**

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

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION****DOT (US)**

UN number: 1897 Class: 6.1 Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Tetrachloroethylene  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 100 lbs  
Marine pollutant: No  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**

UN number: 1897 Class: 6.1 Packing group: III EMS-No: F-A, S-A  
Proper shipping name: TETRACHLOROETHYLENE  
Marine pollutant: Marine pollutant

**IATA**

UN number: 1897 Class: 6.1

Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Tetrachloroethylene

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION****OSHA Hazards**

Carcinogen

**SARA 302 Components**

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

**SARA 313 Components**

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

Tetrachloroethylene

CAS-No.  
127-18-4Revision Date  
2007-07-01**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

Tetrachloroethylene

CAS-No.  
127-18-4Revision Date  
2007-07-01**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

Tetrachloroethylene

CAS-No.  
127-18-4Revision Date  
2007-07-01**California Prop. 65 Components**

WARNING! This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

CAS-No.  
127-18-4Revision Date  
2007-09-28

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION****Further information**

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