

# **Methyl Paraben**

# **SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION**

Product Identifier Methyl Paraben

Other Means of

Methyl 4-hydroxybenzoate

Identification

Product Code(s) ME7510, ME7511
Product Family Organic solid

**Recommended Use** Laboratory and industrial use.

Restrictions on Use None known.

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## **SECTION 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION**

Classified according to Canada's Hazardous Products Regulations (WHMIS 2015) and the US Hazard Communication Standard (HCS 2012).

#### Classification

Serious eye damage - Category 2

#### **Label Elements**



Signal Word: Warning

Hazard Statement(s):

Causes serious eye irritation.

Precautionary Statement(s):

Prevention:

Wash hands and skin thoroughly after handling.

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Response

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

If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

Disposal

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

Other Hazards

None known.

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## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### Substance:

Chemical Name	CAS No.	%	Other Identifiers
METHYLPARABEN	99-76-3	> 98	Methyl 4-hydroxybenzoate

# **SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

#### First-aid Measures

#### Inhalation

Remove source of exposure or move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, trained personnel should administer emergency oxygen if advised to do so by Poison Centre or doctor.

#### **Skin Contact**

Immediately rinse with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 15-20 minutes. If skin irritation occurs, get medical advice or attention.

#### **Eve Contact**

Immediately rinse the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 15-20 minutes, while holding the eyelid(s) open. If eye irritation persists, get medical advice or attention.

#### Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor.

#### **First-aid Comments**

Some of the first-aid procedures recommended here require advanced first-aid training. If exposed or concerned, get medical advice or attention.

## Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

None known.

## **Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment**

#### **Special Instructions**

General advice

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

# **SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

# **Extinguishing Media**

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, appropriate foam, water spray or fog.

# **Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**

None known.

## **Specific Hazards Arising from the Product**

Heating increases the release of toxic vapour.

In a fire, the following hazardous materials may be generated: very toxic carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide.

## Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-fighters

Fight fire from a safe distance or a protected location. Approach fire from upwind to avoid hazardous vapours or gases. Knock down vapours or gases with water fog or fine water spray. For a massive fire, immediately evacuate the area and use unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles.

Chemical protective clothing (e.g. chemical splash suit) and positive pressure SCBA may be necessary.

# **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

## Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment, and Emergency Procedures

Use the personal protective equipment recommended in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Increase ventilation to area or move leaking container to a well-ventilated and secure area. Remove or isolate incompatible materials as well as

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other hazardous materials.

#### **Environmental Precautions**

Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any waterway. If the spill is inside a building, prevent product from entering drains, ventilation systems and confined areas.

## Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up

Avoid generating dust. Collect using shovel/scoop or approved HEPA vacuum and place in a suitable container for disposal.

#### **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

#### **Precautions for Safe Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment to avoid direct contact with this chemical. Avoid generating dusts. Only use where there is adequate ventilation. Prevent accidental contact with incompatible chemicals.

## **Conditions for Safe Storage**

Store in an area that is: cool, dry, well-ventilated, separate from incompatible materials (see Section 10: Stability and Reactivity).

## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Control Parameters**

	ACGIH	ACGIH TLV®		OSHA PEL		AIHA WEEL	
Chemical Name	TWA	STEL	TWA	Ceiling	8-hr TWA	TWA	
METHYLPARABEN	Not established		Not established				

Consult local authorities for provincial exposure limits. Consult local authorities for state exposure limits.

#### **Appropriate Engineering Controls**

Use local exhaust ventilation and enclosure, if necessary, to control amount in the air. Provide eyewash and safety shower if contact or splash hazard exists.

#### **Individual Protection Measures**

# **Eye/Face Protection**

Wear chemical safety goggles and face shield when contact is possible.

#### **Skin Protection**

Wear chemical protective clothing e.g. gloves, aprons, boots.

#### **Respiratory Protection**

Wear a NIOSH approved air-purifying respirator with an appropriate cartridge.

### **SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

# **Basic Physical and Chemical Properties**

**Appearance** White crystalline powder.

Odour Odourless
Odour Threshold Not available

**pH** 5.8 (0.25% solution)

Melting Point/Freezing Point 125 - 128 °C (257 - 262 °F) (melting); 125 - 128 °C (257 - 262 °F) (freezing)

Initial Boiling Point/Range 298.6 °C (569.5 °F)

Flash Point Not available
Evaporation Rate Not applicable
Flammability (solid, gas) Not available

**Upper/Lower Flammability or** 

**Explosive Limit** 

Not available (upper); Not available (lower)

Vapour Pressure Not available

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Vapour Density (air = 1) Not applicable
Relative Density (water = 1) Not available

**Solubility** Slightly soluble in water; Not available (in other liquids)

Partition Coefficient, Not available

n-Octanol/Water (Log Kow)

Auto-ignition Temperature $600 \, ^{\circ}\text{C} \, (1112 \, ^{\circ}\text{F})$ Decomposition Temperature $> 270 \, ^{\circ}\text{C} \, (518 \, ^{\circ}\text{F})$ 

Viscosity Not available (kinematic); Not available (dynamic)

Other Information

Physical State Solid Molecular Weight 152.15

# **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

### Reactivity

None known.

# **Chemical Stability**

Normally stable.

## **Possibility of Hazardous Reactions**

None known.

#### **Conditions to Avoid**

Generation of dust. Incompatible materials. Excess heat.

# **Incompatible Materials**

Strong oxidizing agents (e.g. perchloric acid), strong bases (e.g. sodium hydroxide).

## **Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Very toxic carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide.

# **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### **Likely Routes of Exposure**

Inhalation; skin contact; eye contact; ingestion.

# **Acute Toxicity**

Chemical Name	LC50	LD50 (oral)	LD50 (dermal)
METHYLPARABEN	Not available	2100 mg/kg (rat)	Not available

#### Skin Corrosion/Irritation

No information was located.

# Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

Animal tests show serious eye irritation.

#### STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Single Exposure

# Inhalation

No information was located.

#### Ingestion

No information was located.

#### **Aspiration Hazard**

No information was located.

# STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Repeated Exposure

No information was located.

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## Respiratory and/or Skin Sensitization

No information was located.

## Carcinogenicity

Chemical Name	IARC	ACGIH®	NTP	OSHA
METHYLPARABEN	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed

#### **Reproductive Toxicity**

#### **Development of Offspring**

No information was located.

## **Sexual Function and Fertility**

No information was located.

#### **Effects on or via Lactation**

No information was located.

# **Germ Cell Mutagenicity**

Not mutagenic.

#### **Interactive Effects**

No information was located.

# **SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

This section is not required by WHMIS. This section is not required by OSHA HCS 2012.

## **SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Disposal Methods**

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

#### **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Not regulated under Canadian TDG regulations. Not regulated under US DOT Regulations. Not regulated under IATA Regulations.

**Special Precautions** Not applicable

Transport in Bulk According to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable

#### **SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

# Safety, Health and Environmental Regulations

#### Canada

Domestic Substances List (DSL) / Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)

Listed on the DSL.

# USA

# Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Section 8(b)

Listed on the TSCA Inventory.

# **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

NFPA Rating Health - 1 Flammability - 1

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References CHEMINFO database. Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS).

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