

Material Safety Data Sheet

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According to 91/155/EEC

Classified as Hazardous according to the criteria of EU Annex 1 and NOHSC.

1 - Product and Company Information

Product Name	ALPHA,ALPHA'-DICHLORO-P-XYLENE, 98%
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2 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

Product Name	CAS #	EC no	Annex I Index Number
A,A'-DICHLORO-P-XYLENE	623-25-6	210-782-7	None
Formula	C8H8Cl2		
Molecular Weight	175.06 AMU		
Synonyms	1,4-Bis(chloromethyl)benzene * CP 21645 * alpha,alpha'-Dichloro-p-xylene * p-Xylylene dichloride		

3 - Hazards Identification

SPECIAL INDICATION OF HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND THE ENVIRONMENT
Harmful if swallowed. Irritating to eyes and skin.

4 - First Aid Measures

AFTER INHALATION

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

AFTER SKIN CONTACT

In case of skin contact, flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician.

AFTER EYE CONTACT

In case of contact with eyes, flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Assure adequate flushing by separating the eyelids with fingers. Call a physician.

AFTER INGESTION

If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Call a physician.

5 - Fire Fighting Measures

CONDITIONS OF FLAMMABILITY

Water hydrolyzes material liberating acidic gas which in contact with metal surfaces can generate flammable and/or explosive hydrogen gas.

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

Suitable: Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

Unsuitable: Do not use water.

SPECIAL RISKS

Specific Hazard(s): Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIREFIGHTERS

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.

6 - Accidental Release Measures

PERSONAL PRECAUTION PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED IN CASE OF LEAK OR SPILL

Evacuate area.

PROCEDURE(S) OF PERSONAL PRECAUTION(S)

Wear respirator, chemical safety goggles, rubber boots, and heavy rubber gloves.

METHODS FOR CLEANING UP

Sweep up, place in a bag and hold for waste disposal. Avoid raising dust. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete.

7 - Handling and Storage

HANDLING

Directions for Safe Handling: Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

STORAGE

Conditions of Storage: Keep tightly closed.

8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Safety shower and eye bath. Mechanical exhaust required.

GENERAL HYGIENE MEASURES

Wash thoroughly after handling.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Respiratory Protection: Government approved respirator.

Hand Protection: Compatible chemical-resistant gloves.

Eye Protection: Chemical safety goggles.

9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance

Physical State: Solid
Color: Faintly yellow
Form: Fine crystals

Property	Value	At Temperature or Pressure
pH	N/A	
BP/BP Range	254 °C	760 mmHg
MP/MP Range	98 °C	
Flash Point	N/A	
Flammability	N/A	
Autoignition Temp	N/A	
Oxidizing Properties	N/A	
Explosive Properties	N/A	
Explosion Limits	N/A	
Vapor Pressure	N/A	
SG/Density	N/A	
Partition Coefficient	N/A	
Viscosity	N/A	
Vapor Density	N/A	
Saturated Vapor Conc.	N/A	
Evaporation Rate	N/A	
Bulk Density	N/A	
Decomposition Temp.	N/A	
Solvent Content	N/A	
Water Content	N/A	
Surface Tension	N/A	
Conductivity	N/A	
Miscellaneous Data	N/A	
Solubility	Solvent: 50 mg/ml MeOH Clear	

10 - Stability and Reactivity

STABILITY

Stable: Stable.

Conditions to Avoid: Moisture

Materials to Avoid: Bases, Alcohols, Amines, Oxidizing agents.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Carbon monoxide, Carbon dioxide, Hydrogen chloride gas, Phosgene gas.

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur

11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS NUMBER: ZE4100000

ACUTE TOXICITY

LD50

Oral

Rat

1280 mg/kg

Remarks: Behavioral: Somnolence (general depressed activity).

Behavioral: Muscle weakness. Gastrointestinal: Hypermotility, diarrhea.

IRRITATION DATA

Skin

Rabbit

500 mg

Remarks: Moderate irritation effect

Eyes

Rabbit

100 mg

24H

Remarks: Mild irritation effect

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE

Stomach irritation. Gastrointestinal disturbances.

ROUTE OF EXPOSURE

Skin Contact: Causes skin irritation.

Skin Absorption: May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.

Eye Contact: Causes eye irritation.

Inhalation: May be harmful if inhaled. Material may be irritating to mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.

Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed.

12 - Ecological Information

No data available.

13 - Disposal Considerations

SUBSTANCE DISPOSAL

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. Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

14 - Transport Information

RID/ADR

Non-hazardous for road transport.

IMDG

Non-hazardous for sea transport.

IATA

UN#: 3335

Class: 9

Proper Shipping Name: Aviation Regulated Solid, N.O.S.

Inhalation Packing Group I: No

Technical Name: Required

15 - Regulatory Information

CLASSIFICATION AND LABELING ACCORDING TO EU DIRECTIVES

INDICATION OF DANGER: Xn

Harmful.

R-PHRASES: 22 36/38

Harmful if swallowed. Irritating to eyes and skin.

S-PHRASES: 26 36/37

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.

16 - Other Information

WARRANTY

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