

SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

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

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Benzyl cyanide

Product Number : 12608

Brand : Sigma-Aldrich

REACH No. : A registration number is not available for this substance as the substance or its uses are exempted from registration, the annual tonnage does not require a registration or the registration is envisaged for a later registration deadline.

CAS-No. : 140-29-4

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

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1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone # : 000 800 1007 141 (CHEMTREC)

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Acute toxicity, (Category 3)	H301: Toxic if swallowed.
Acute toxicity, (Category 1)	H330: Fatal if inhaled.
Acute toxicity, (Category 3)	H311: Toxic in contact with skin.

2.2 Label elements

Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Pictogram

Signal Word	Danger
Hazard Statements	
H301 + H311	Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin.
H330	Fatal if inhaled.
Precautionary Statements	
P260	Do not breathe mist or vapors.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing.
P302 + P352 + P312	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.
P304 + P340 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
Supplemental Hazard Statements	none

2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Ecological information:

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Toxicological information:

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SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

Synonyms	: Phenylacetonitrile
Formula	: C ₈ H ₇ N
Molecular weight	: 117,15 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 140-29-4
EC-No.	: 205-410-5

Component	Classification	Concentration
benzyl cyanide		
CAS-No.	140-29-4	Acute Tox. 3; Acute Tox. <= 100 %

EC-No.	205-410-5	1; Acute Tox. 3; H301, H330, H311	
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For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General advice

First aiders need to protect themselves. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. Immediately call in physician. If breathing stops: immediately apply artificial respiration, if necessary also oxygen.

In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Call a physician immediately.

In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Remove contact lenses.

If swallowed

If swallowed: give water to drink (two glasses at most). Seek medical advice immediately. In exceptional cases only, if medical care is not available within one hour, induce vomiting (only in persons who are wide awake and fully conscious), administer activated charcoal (20 - 40 g in a 10% slurry) and consult a doctor as quickly as possible.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

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

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Water Foam Carbon dioxide (CO₂) Dry powder

Unsuitable extinguishing media

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Carbon oxides

Nitrogen oxides (NO_x)

Combustible.

Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

5.4 Further information

Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.

For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up carefully with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling

Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture. Avoid generation of vapours/aerosols.

Hygiene measures

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions

Tightly closed. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

Storage class

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1A: Combustible, acute toxic Cat. 1 and 2 / very toxic hazardous materials

7.3 Specific end use(s)

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

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

8.2 Exposure controls

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

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

Skin protection

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: www.kcl.de).

Full contact

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,7 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 898)

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Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,4 mm

Break through time: 10 min

Material tested: Camatril® (KCL 730 / Aldrich Z677442, Size M)

Body Protection

protective clothing

Respiratory protection

required when vapours/aerosols are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

Recommended Filter type: Filter type ABEK

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer.

These measures have to be properly documented.

Control of environmental exposure

Do not let product enter drains.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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| a) Physical state | liquid |
| b) Color | colorless |
| c) Odor | unpleasant |
| d) Melting point/freezing point | Melting point/range: -23,8 °C |
| e) Initial boiling point and boiling range | 231 - 233 °C at 1.013 hPa |
| f) Flammability (solid, gas) | No data available |
| g) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | No data available |
| h) Flash point | 102 °C - closed cup |
| i) Autoignition temperature | 590 °C at 1.013 hPa |
| j) Decomposition temperature | No data available |
| k) pH | 11,0 - 12,0 at 117,2 g/l at 25 °C |
| l) Viscosity | Viscosity, kinematic: No data available
Viscosity, dynamic: 2,161 mPa.s at 20 °C |
| m) Water solubility | 117,2 g/l at 20 °C |
| n) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water | log Pow: 1,56 - Bioaccumulation is not expected. |
| o) Vapor pressure | 0,1 hPa at 20 °C |
| p) Density | 1,015 g/cm ³ |
| Relative density | No data available |
| q) Relative vapor density | No data available |
| r) Particle characteristics | No data available |
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| s) Explosive properties | No data available |
| t) Oxidizing properties | none |

9.2 Other safety information

Surface tension	0,04 N/m at 20 °C
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Relative vapor density 4,69

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.
A range from approx. 15 Kelvin below the flash point is to be rated as critical.

10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Violent reactions possible with:
strong alkalis
Oxidizing agents
Reducing agents
acids

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Strong heating.

10.5 Incompatible materials

No data available

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - female - 210 mg/kg

Remarks: (ECHA)

Acute toxicity estimate Oral - 210 mg/kg

(Calculation method)

Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 4 h - 0,051 mg/l - vapor

(Expert judgment)

Remarks: The GHS classification specified by the authority

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - 270 mg/kg

Remarks: (RTECS)

Acute toxicity estimate Dermal - 270 mg/kg

(Calculation method)

Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

Respiratory or skin sensitization

No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro

Test system: lymphocyte

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 473

Result: negative

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: *S. typhimurium*

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Carcinogenicity

No data available

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

11.2 Additional Information**Endocrine disrupting properties****Product:**

Assessment

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

RTECS: AM1400000

burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting, Cyanosis, Mydriasis., Central nervous system depression, Coma., Seizures., Cushing's syndrome

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Systemic effects:

After absorption:

Cough
Dizziness
Headache
Nausea
agitation, spasms
Unconsciousness
respiratory arrest

Effect of the decomposition products.

After absorption:

Shortness of breath
Vomiting
CNS disorders
depressed respiration
Coma

Chronic intoxication:

Changes in the blood count

Damage to:

Central nervous system
Lungs

The following applies to cyanogen compounds/ nitriles in general: utmost caution! Release of hydrocyanic acid is possible - blockade of cellular respiration. Cardiovascular disorders, dyspnoea, unconsciousness.

Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.

This substance should be handled with particular care.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 57 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202)
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Toxicity to algae	NOEC - Selenastrum capricornutum (green algae) - 117 mg/l - 4 Days Remarks: (ECHA)
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12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability	Result: 77 % - Readily biodegradable. (OECD Test Guideline 301C)
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12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

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12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

Product:

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12.7 Other adverse effects

No data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

No data available

SECTION 14: Transport information

14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: 2470

IMDG: 2470

IATA: 2470

14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: PHENYLACETONITRILE, LIQUID

IMDG: PHENYLACETONITRILE, LIQUID

IATA: Phenylacetonitrile, liquid

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 6.1

IMDG: 6.1

IATA: 6.1

14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: III

IMDG: III

IATA: III

14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

IATA: no

14.6 Special precautions for user

Tunnel restriction code : (E)

Further information : No data available

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

This material safety data sheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

Authorisations and/or restrictions on use

National legislation

Seveso III: Directive 2012/18/EU of the H1 ACUTE TOXIC
European Parliament and of the Council
on the control of major-accident hazards
involving dangerous substances.

Other regulations

Observe work restrictions regarding maternity protection in accordance to Dir 92/85/EEC or stricter national regulations where applicable.

Take note of Dir 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work.

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

SECTION 16: Other information

Full text of H-Statements

H301	Toxic if swallowed.
H311	Toxic in contact with skin.
H330	Fatal if inhaled.

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Full text of other abbreviations

ADN - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways; ADR - Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road; AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RID - Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

Further information

The information is believed to be correct but is not exhaustive and will be used solely as a guideline, which is based on current knowledge of the chemical substance or mixture and is applicable to appropriate safety precautions for the product. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See www.sigma-aldrich.com and/or the reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale.

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