

SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

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GENERIC EU MSDS - NO COUNTRY SPECIFIC DATA - NO OEL DATA

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

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Formic acid

Product Number : Y0001970

Brand : Sigma-Aldrich

Index-No. : 607-001-00-0

REACH No. : 01-2119491174-37-XXXX

CAS-No. : 64-18-6

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

Flammable liquids, (Category 3)	H226: Flammable liquid and vapor.
Acute toxicity, (Category 4)	H302: Harmful if swallowed.
Acute toxicity, (Category 3)	H331: Toxic if inhaled.
Skin corrosion, (Sub-category 1A)	H314: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Serious eye damage, (Category 1)	H318: Causes serious eye damage.

2.2 Label elements

Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Pictogram

Signal Word	Danger
Hazard Statements	
H226	Flammable liquid and vapor.
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H331	Toxic if inhaled.
Precautionary Statements	
P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.
P304 + P340 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
Supplemental Hazard information (EU)	
EUH071	Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

Reduced Labeling (<= 125 ml)

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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

Formula : CH₂O₂
Molecular weight : 46,03 g/mol
CAS-No. : 64-18-6
EC-No. : 200-579-1
Index-No. : 607-001-00-0

Component		Classification	Concentration
Formic acid			
CAS-No.	64-18-6	Flam. Liq. 3; Acute Tox. 4; Acute Tox. 3; Skin Corr. 1A; Eye Dam. 1; H226, H302, H331, H314, H318 Concentration limits: >= 90 %: Skin Corr. 1A, H314; 10 - < 90 %: Skin Corr. 1B, H314; 2 - < 10 %: Skin Irrit. 2, H315; 2 - < 10 %: Eye Irrit. 2, H319; > 78,5 %: Acute Tox. 3, H331; 75 - 78,5 %: Acute Tox. 4, H332; > 75 %: , EUH071;	<= 100 %
EC-No.	200-579-1		
Index-No.	607-001-00-0		

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. Immediately call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

If swallowed

After swallowing: make victim drink water (two glasses at most), avoid vomiting (risk of perforation). Pulmonary failure possible after aspiration of vomit. Call a physician immediately. Do not attempt to neutralise.

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

Combustible.

Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

Forms explosive mixtures with air at elevated temperatures.

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

Remove container from danger zone and cool with water. 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. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. 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. Risk of explosion.

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. Chemisorb®). 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.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

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

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

Storage stability Recommended storage temperature

2 - 8 °C

Storage class

Storage class (TRGS 510): 3: Flammable liquids

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). Tightly fitting safety goggles

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: Chloroprene

Minimum layer thickness: 0,65 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: KCL 720 Camapren®

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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).

Splash contact

Material: Latex gloves

Minimum layer thickness: 0,6 mm

Break through time: 60 min

Material tested: Lapren® (KCL 706 / Aldrich Z677558, Size M)

Body Protection

Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing.

Respiratory protection

Recommended Filter type: Filter E-(P3)

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. Risk of explosion.

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 | stinging |
| d) Melting point/freezing point | Melting point: 8,5 °C |
| e) Initial boiling point and boiling range | 100,80 °C at 1.013 hPa |
| f) Flammability (solid, gas) | No data available |
| g) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | Upper explosion limit: 38 %(V)
Lower explosion limit: 18 %(V) |
| h) Flash point | 49,5 °C - closed cup - Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, A.9 |
| i) Autoignition temperature | 528 °C
at 1.008 hPa - Tested according to Directive 92/69/EEC. |
| j) Decomposition temperature | 350 °C
Method: OECD Test Guideline 113 |
| k) pH | 2,2 at 10 g/l at 20 °C |
| l) Viscosity | Viscosity, kinematic: 1,47 mm ² /s at 20 °C - OECD Test Guideline 1141,02 mm ² /s at 40 °C - OECD Test Guideline 114

Viscosity, dynamic: 1,8 mPa.s at 20 °C - OECD Test Guideline 1141,22 mPa.s at 40 °C - OECD Test Guideline 114 |

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| m) Water solubility | at 20 °C miscible in all proportions, (experimental) |
| n) Partition coefficient:
n-octanol/water | log Pow: -2,1 at 23 °C - OECD Test Guideline 107 -
Bioaccumulation is not expected. |
| o) Vapor pressure | 171 hPa at 50 °C - OECD Test Guideline 104 |
| p) Density | 1,22 g/cm ³ at 20 °C - OECD Test Guideline 109 |
| Relative density | 1,22 at 20 °C - OECD Test Guideline 109 |
| q) Relative vapor
density | 1,59 - (Air = 1.0) |
| r) Particle
characteristics | No data available |
- s) Explosive properties Not classified as explosive.
- t) Oxidizing properties none

9.2 Other safety information

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|---------------------------|---|
| Surface tension | 71,5 mN/m at 1g/l at 20 °C
- OECD Test Guideline 115 |
| Dissociation constant | 3,7 at 20 °C
- OECD Test Guideline 112 |
| Relative vapor
density | 1,59 - (Air = 1.0) |

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

Vapor/air-mixtures are explosive at intense warming.

10.2 Chemical stability

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

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapours with:

Aluminum

Risk of explosion with:

organic nitro compounds

sodium hypochlorite

hydrogen peroxide

furfuryl alcohol

Generates dangerous gases or fumes in contact with:

alkalines

Strong oxidizing agents

sulfuric acid

nonmetallic oxides

metal catalysts

Oxides of phosphorus

Nitric acid

nitrates

Exothermic reaction with:

alkaline earth hydroxides

alkali hydroxides

bases

Amines

10.4 Conditions to avoid

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 - male and female - 730 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 401)

Acute toxicity estimate Oral - 730 mg/kg

(ATE value derived from LD50/LC50 value)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - 7,85 mg/l - vapor

(OECD Test Guideline 403)

Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 7,85 mg/l - vapor

(ATE value derived from LD50/LC50 value)

Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Causes severe burns.

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Remarks: Causes serious eye damage.

conjunctivitis

Lacrimal irritation due to vapours.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Buehler Test - Guinea pig

Result: negative

(OECD Test Guideline 406)

Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause allergic reactions in certain sensitive individuals.

Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: Salmonella typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Test Type: sister chromatid exchange assay

Test system: Chinese hamster lung cells

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 479

Result: negative

Test Type: sister chromatid exchange assay

Test system: Human lymphocytes

Metabolic activation: without metabolic activation
Method: OECD Test Guideline 479
Result: negative
Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test
Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation
Method: OECD Test Guideline 476
Result: negative
Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro
Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation
Method: OECD Test Guideline 473
Result: negative

Test Type: gene mutation test
Species: *Drosophila melanogaster*

Application Route: Oral
Method: OECD Test Guideline 477
Result: negative

Carcinogenicity

No data available

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

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.

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - 52 Weeks - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - 400 mg/kg - LOAEL (Lowest observed adverse effect level) - 2.000 mg/kg

Remarks: (in analogy to similar products)

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Kidney - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish	static test LC50 - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - 130 mg/l - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203) Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: ammonium formate
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 365 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202) Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: ammonium formate
Toxicity to algae	static test ErC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata - 1.240 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201) Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: ammonium formate
Toxicity to bacteria	static test NOEC - activated sludge - 72 mg/l - 13 d Remarks: (ECHA)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity)	semi-static test NOEC - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - $\geq$ 100 mg/l - 21 d (OECD Test Guideline 211)

12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability	aerobic - Exposure time 14 d Result: 100 % - Readily biodegradable. (OECD Test Guideline 301C)
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	86 mg/g Remarks: (External MSDS)
Ratio BOD/ThBOD	8,60 %

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation is unlikely.
Does not significantly accumulate in organisms.

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:

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

12.7 Other adverse effects

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

No data available

SECTION 14: Transport information

14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: 1779

IMDG: 1779

IATA: 1779

14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: FORMIC ACID

IMDG: FORMIC ACID

IATA: Formic acid

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 8 (3)

IMDG: 8 (3)

IATA: 8 (3)

14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: II

IMDG: II

IATA: II

14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

IATA: no

14.6 Special precautions for user

Tunnel restriction code : (D/E)

Further information : No data available

14.7 Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable for product as supplied.

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.

National legislation

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

H2 ACUTE TOXIC

P5c FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS

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

A Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out for this substance.

SECTION 16: Other information

Full text of H-Statements

EUH071	Corrosive to the respiratory tract.
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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

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