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METHYL ETHYL KETONE 20019

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Ashland

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Product name

METHYL ETHYL KETONE

Product code

20019

Product Use Description

No data

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

Appearance: liquid,, Colorless

CAUTION! FLAMMABLE LIQUID AND VAPOR. MAY AFFECT THE CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM CAUSING DIZZINESS, HEADACHE OR NAUSEA. MAY BE HARMFUL IF INHALED OR SWALLOWED. MAY CAUSE EYE, SKIN AND RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION. PROLONGED OR REPEATED CONTACT MAY DRY SKIN, CAUSE IRRITATION AND BURNS.

Potential Health Effects

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Exposure routes

Inhalation, Skin absorption, Skin contact, Eye Contact, Ingestion

Eye contact

Can cause eye irritation. Symptoms include stinging, tearing, redness, and swelling of eyes.

Skin contact

Can cause skin irritation. Symptoms may include redness and burning of skin, and other skin damage. Prolonged or repeated contact may dry the skin. Symptoms may include redness, burning, and drying and cracking of skin, skin burns, and other skin damage.

Ingestion

Swallowing small amounts of this material during normal handling is not likely to cause harmful effects. Swallowing large amounts may be harmful. This material can get



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into the lungs during swallowing or vomiting. This results in lung inflammation and other lung injury.

Inhalation

Breathing of vapor or mist is possible. Breathing small amounts of this material during normal handling is not likely to cause harmful effects. Breathing large amounts may be harmful. Symptoms are not expected at air concentrations below the recommended exposure limits, if applicable (see Section 8.).

Aggravated Medical Condition

Preexisting disorders of the following organs (or organ systems) may be aggravated by exposure to this material:, Skin, lung (for example, asthma-like conditions)

Symptoms

Signs and symptoms of exposure to this material through breathing, swallowing, and/or passage of the material through the skin may include:, stomach or intestinal upset (nausea, vomiting, diarrhea), irritation (nose, throat, airways), central nervous system depression (dizziness, drowsiness, weakness, fatigue, nausea, headache, unconsciousness)

Target Organs

Based on animal studies, exposure to methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) increases the onset of peripheral neuropathy caused by exposure to methyl butyl ketone (MBK), and/or n-hexane, and/or ethyl butylketone. MEK alone has not been shown to cause peripheral neuropathy. Overexposure to this material (or its components) has been suggested as a cause of the following effects in laboratory animals:, mild, reversible liver effects, mild, reversible kidney effects

Carcinogenicity

Based on the available information, this material cannot be classified with regard to carcinogenicity. This material is not listed as a carcinogen by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), the National Toxicology Program (NTP), or the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

Reproductive hazard

This material (or a component) has been shown to cause harm to the fetus in laboratory animal studies. Harm to the fetus occurs only at exposure levels that harm the pregnant animal. The relevance of these findings to humans is uncertain.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS



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Precautions for fire-fighting

Material is volatile and readily gives off vapors which may travel along the ground or be moved by ventilation and ignited by pilot lights, flames, sparks, heaters, smoking, electric motors, static discharge or other ignition sources at locations near the material handling point. Never use welding or cutting torch on or near drum (even empty) because product (even just residue) can ignite explosively. Wear full firefighting turn-out gear (full Bunker gear), and respiratory protection (SCBA). Water may be ineffective for extinguishment unless used under favorable conditions by experienced fire fighters. Use water spray to cool fire exposed containers and structures until fire is out if it can be done with minimal risk. Avoid spreading burning liquid with water used for cooling purposes.

Flammability Class for Flammable Liquids

Flammable Liquid Class IB

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions

For personal protection see section 8. Persons not wearing protective equipment should be excluded from area of spill until clean-up has been completed. Ensure adequate ventilation.

Environmental precautions

Prevent spreading over a wide area (e.g. by containment or oil barriers). Do not let product enter drains. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

Methods for cleaning up

Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel, acid binder, universal binder, sawdust).

Other information

Comply with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling

Containers of this material may be hazardous when emptied. Since emptied containers retain product residues (vapor, liquid, and/or solid), all hazard precautions



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given in the data sheet must be observed. Static ignition hazard can result from handling and use. Electrically bond and ground all containers, personnel and equipment before transfer or use of material. Special precautions may be necessary to dissipate static electricity for non-conductive containers. Use proper bonding and grounding during product transfer as described in National Fire Protection Association document NFPA 77. Warning. Sudden release of hot organic chemical vapors or mists from process equipment operating at elevated temperature and pressure, or sudden ingress of air into vacuum equipment, may result in ignitions without the presence of obvious ignition sources. Published "autoignition" or "ignition" temperature values cannot be treated as safe operating temperatures in chemical processes without analysis of the actual process conditions. Any use of this product in elevated temperature processes should be thoroughly evaluated to establish and maintain safe operating conditions.

Storage

Store in a cool, dry, ventilated area. Keep containers closed when not in use.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Guidelines

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ACGIH	time weighted average	200 ppm		
ACGIH	Short term exposure limit	300 ppm		
NIOSH	Recommended exposure limit (REL):	200 ppm		
NIOSH	Recommended exposure limit (REL):	590 mg/m3		
NIOSH	Short term exposure limit	300 ppm		
NIOSH	Short term exposure limit	885 mg/m3		
OSHA Z1	Permissible exposure limit	200 ppm		
OSHA ZI	Permissible exposure limit	590 mg/m3		

General advice

These recommendations provide general guidance for handling this product. Personal protective equipment should be selected for individual applications and should consider factors which affect exposure potential, such as handling practices, chemical concentrations and ventilation. It is ultimately the responsibility of the employer to follow regulatory guidelines established by local authorities.

Exposure controls



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6.71 lb/gal @ 68 °F / 20 °C

partly soluble in water

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Partition coefficient: noctanol/water

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Solubility

Autoignition temperature

0.29

759 °F / 404 °C

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability

Stable.

Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks.

Incompatible products

Copper, Copper alloys, strong alkalis, Strong oxidizing agents, strong mineral acids, Amines

Hazardous decomposition products

carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide

Hazardous reactions

Product will not undergo hazardous polymerization.

Thermal decomposition

No data

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute oral toxicity

METHYL ETHYL KETONE	LD 50 Mouse: 670 mg/kg LD 50 Rat: 2,300 - 3,500 mg/kg

Acute inhalation toxicity

METHYL ETHYL KETONE	LC 50 Rat: 11,700 mg/l, LC 50 Mouse: 11,000 mg/l,	
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Acute dermal toxicity

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METHYL ETHYL KETONE	LD 50 Rabbit: > 8,000 mg/kg
	LD 50 Rabbit: > 5 g/kg

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Aquatic toxicity

Acute and Prolonged Toxicity to Fish No data Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates No data

Environmental fate and pathways

No data

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste disposal methods

Dispose of in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal regulations. Do not discharge effluent containing this product into lakes, streams, ponds or estuaries, oceans, or other waters unless in accordance with the requirements of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, and the permitting authority has been notified in writing prior to discharge. Do not discharge effluent containing this product to sewer systems without previously notifying the local sewage treatment plant authority. For guidance, contact your State Water Board or Regional Office of the EPA. For assistance with your waste management needs - including disposal, recycling and waste stream reduction, contact Ashland Distribution's Environmental Services Group at 800-637-7922.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

IMDG:

UN1193, METHYL ETHYL KETONE 3, 11

IATA P:

UN1193, Methyl ethyl ketone 3, II

IATA C:

UN1193, Methyl ethyl ketone 3, II

CFR ROAD:



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16. OTHER INFORMATION

The information accumulated herein is believed to be accurate but is not warranted to be whether originating with the company or not. Recipients are advised to confirm in advance of need that the information is current, applicable, and suitable to their circumstances. This MSDS has been prepared by Ashland's Environmental Health and Safety Department (1-800-325-3751).

PRODUCT SAFETY & HEALTH INFORMATION

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (ASH, 11/11/09)

4/26/2010

TO: Safety Director Laerdal Medical Corp PO Box 38 Gatesville, TX 76528

Attached are Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for the product(s) listed above that you have received from us. These MSDS take precedence over and supersedes any previous MSDS you may have received from us in the past.

To determine if this product is regulated by EPCRA, Section 313 and 40 CFR 372, please review the attached MSDS. Please forward these MSDS to the appropriate health and safety personnel in your company. Review each sheet as soon as possible to ensure that your uses of this product take into account the current information available on any potential hazards it may have.

Although the MSDS is provided for your in-plant safety training programs, it should be recognized that people who come in contact with these products at other locations also have the right to this information. It is very important that this information reach all individuals that will directly or indirectly come in contact with the product. If you resell or repackage this product, you must ensure the downstream flow of information by shipping labeled containers and making the appropriate MSDS available to downstream purchasers.

Please advise your personnel and any downstream users of the potential hazard of the empty containers. Empty containers are those that contain product and have not been professionally cleaned and reconditioned and which may contain product residue or vapor.

The information contained herein should be used for health and safety training and not for specification purposes. Please let us know if we may provide any additional information.

Yours truly,

SALES DEPARTMENT
TEM-TEX SOLVENTS CORPORATION