# **SECTION 1: Identification**

#### 1.1 GHS Product identifier

**Product name** 3.4-dinitrotoluene

#### 1.2 Other means of identification

Product number

Other names Toluene, 3,4-dinitro; 3,4-Dinitro-toluol; Benzene, 4-methyl-1,2-dinitro-

# 1.3 Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Identified uses CBI

Uses advised against no data available

# **SECTION 2: Hazard identification**

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Acute toxicity - Category 3, Oral Acute toxicity - Category 3, Dermal Acute toxicity - Category 3, Inhalation Germ cell mutagenicity, Category 2 Carcinogenicity, Category 1B

Specific target organ toxicity â€" repeated exposure, Category 2

Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term (Chronic) - Category Chronic 2

Reproductive toxicity, Category 2

## 2.2 GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

## Pictogram(s)







Signal word Danger

Hazard statement(s) H301 Toxic if swallowed

H311 Toxic in contact with skin

H331 Toxic if inhaled

H341 Suspected of causing genetic defects

H350 May cause cancer

H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

Precautionary statement(s)

**Prevention** P264 Wash ... thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing

protection/...

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray. P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P203 Obtain, read and follow all safety instructions before use. P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

**Response** P301+P316 IF SWALLOWED: Get emergency medical help immediately.

P321 Specific treatment (see ... on this label).

P330 Rinse mouth.

P302+P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water/...

P316 Get emergency medical help immediately.

P361+P364 Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P318 IF exposed or concerned, get medical advice.

P319 Get medical help if you feel unwell.

P391 Collect spillage.

Storage P405 Store locked up.

P403+P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

**Disposal** P501 Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in

accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of

disposal

# 2.3 Other hazards which do not result in classification

no data available

# **SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

# 3.1 Substances

Chemical name	Common names and synonyms	CAS number	EC number	Concentration
3,4-dinitrotoluene	3,4-dinitrotoluene	610-39-9	210-222-1	100%

## SECTION 4: First-aid measures

## 4.1 Description of necessary first-aid measures

#### If inhaled

Fresh air, rest. Artificial respiration may be needed. Refer for medical attention.

#### Following skin contact

Remove contaminated clothes. Rinse and then wash skin with water and soap. Refer for medical attention .

#### Following eye contact

First rinse with plenty of water for several minutes (remove contact lenses if easily possible), then refer for medical attention.

#### **Following ingestion**

Rinse mouth. Give one or two glasses of water to drink. Refer for medical attention .

## 4.2 Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

INHALATION, INGESTION OR SKIN ABSORPTION: Headache, weakness, nausea or dizziness, cyanosis, drowsiness, shortness of breath and collapse. EYES AND SKIN: Can burn eyes and skin. (USCG, 1999)

## 4.3 Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

In case of ingestion, induction of emesis is not recommended because of the potential for central nervous system depression. Gastric lavage and administration of activated charcoal may be considered soon after ingestion, provided airways are protected. Dinitrotoluene

# **SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures**

# 5.1 Suitable extinguishing media

Fire extinguishing agents: Water, carbon dioxide, or dry chemical.

## 5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Special Hazards of Combustion Products: Emits toxic fumes of oxides of nitrogen. Behavior in Fire: May explode when exposed to heat or flame. (USCG, 1999)

## 5.3 Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Use water spray, powder, foam, carbon dioxide. In case of fire: keep drums, etc., cool by spraying with water. Combat fire from a sheltered position.

#### **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

# 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Consult an expert! Personal protection: chemical protection suit including self-contained breathing apparatus. Do NOT let this chemical enter the environment. Sweep spilled substance into covered containers. If appropriate, moisten first to prevent dusting. Carefully collect remainder. Then store and dispose of according to local regulations.

#### **6.2** Environmental precautions

Consult an expert! Personal protection: chemical protection suit including self-contained breathing apparatus. Do NOT let this chemical enter the environment. Sweep spilled substance into covered containers. If appropriate, moisten first to prevent dusting. Carefully collect remainder. Then store and dispose of according to local regulations.

## 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

1) remove all ignition sources. 2) ventilate area of spill. 3) for small quantities, sweep onto paper or other suitable material & burn in suitable combustion chamber which allows burning in unconfined condition & is equipped with appropriate effluent gas cleaning device. large quantities may be reclaimed ... if ... not practical, dissolve in fuel oil & atomize in suitable combustion chamber equipped with appropriate effluent gas cleaning device. dinitrotoluene

# **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

## 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

NO open flames. Closed system, dust explosion-proof electrical equipment and lighting. Prevent deposition of dust. Handling in a well ventilated place. Wear suitable protective clothing. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Use non-sparking tools. Prevent fire caused by electrostatic discharge steam.

## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Fireproof. Separated from strong bases, food and feedstuffs, oxidants and strong reducing agents. Well closed. Keep in a well-ventilated room. Store in an area without drain or sewer access. Normally stored as a molten liquid. Separate from strong oxidizers & reducing agents. Hot water coils should not exceed 194 deg F (90 deg C). Dinitrotoluenes

# **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

#### 8.1 **Control parameters**

### Occupational Exposure limit values

Component	3,4-dinitrotolu	3,4-dinitrotoluene				
CAS No.	610-39-9					
	Limit value -	Limit value - Eight hours		- Short term		
	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>		
Austria		1,5		6		
Denmark		0,15		0,3		
Finland		0,2				
Latvia		1				
	Remarks		·			
Austria	TRK value (based on technical feasibility)					

#### **Biological limit values**

no data available

#### 8.2 Appropriate engineering controls

Ensure adequate ventilation. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Set up emergency exits and the riskelimination area.

#### 8.3 Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

## Eye/face protection

Wear safety goggles.

## Skin protection

Protective gloves.

#### Respiratory protection

Use local exhaust or breathing protection.

## Thermal hazards

no data available

# SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties and safety characteristics

Physical state 3,4-dinitrotoluene is a yellow to red solid or heated liquid with a slight odor. Solidifies in cool

water. Solid and liquid sink in water. (USCG, 1999)

Yellow needles from carbon disulfide Colour

Slight odor Odour 54-57°C(lit.) Melting point/freezing point

350.8°C at 760 mmHg Boiling point or initial boiling point

and boiling range

Flash point

pН

Flammability Combustible. Gives off irritating or toxic fumes (or gases) in a fire.

no data available

Lower and upper explosion

limit/flammability limit

>230 °F **Auto-ignition temperature** no data available 250-300°C **Decomposition temperature** no data available Kinematic viscosity no data available

**Solubility** Soluble in ethanol and carbon disulfide; slightly soluble in chloroform

**Partition coefficient n-octanol/water**  $\log \text{Kow} = 2.08$ 

Vapour pressure 3.50X10-4 mm Hg at 25 deg C /extrapolated/

Density and/or relative density 1.407g/cm3 Relative vapour density 6.28 (Air = 1)Particle characteristics no data available

# **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

## 10.1 Reactivity

NIOSH considers dinitrotoluene to be a potential occupational carcinogen. [50 mg/cu m] Dinitrotoluene May explode on heating. Decomposes on heating. This produces toxic and corrosive fumes including nitrogen oxides even in the absence of air. Reacts with reducing agents, strong bases and oxidants. This generates explosion hazard.

## 10.2 Chemical stability

## 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Combustible material. Dust explosion possible if in powder or granular form, mixed with air. 3,4-DINITROTOLUENE may explode when exposed to heat or flame (USCG, 1999).

## 10.4 Conditions to avoid

no data available

# 10.5 Incompatible materials

no data available

# 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

When heated to decomposition it emits toxic fumes of /nitrogen oxides/.

# **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

#### Acute toxicity

- Oral: LD50 Rat oral 807 mg/kg
- Inhalation: no data available
- Dermal: no data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

no data available

#### Serious eye damage/irritation

no data available

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

#### Carcinogenicity

A3; Confirmed animal carcinogen with unknown relevance to humans. Dinitrotoluene

# Reproductive toxicity

no data available

## STOT-single exposure

The substance is mildly irritating to the skin. The substance may cause effects on the blood. This may result in the formation of methaemoglobin. The effects may be delayed. Medical observation is indicated.

## STOT-repeated exposure

The substance may have effects on the blood. This may result in the formation of methaemoglobin.

#### Aspiration hazard

A harmful concentration of airborne particles can be reached quickly when dispersed, especially if powdered.

# **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

# 12.1 Toxicity

- Toxicity to fish: LC50; Species: Pimephales promelas (Fathead Minnow) juvenile; Conditions: freshwater, static, 20 deg C, pH 7.2-8.6, hardness 26 mg/L CaCO3, alkalinity 45 mg/L CaCO3, dissolved oxygen 7.2 (6.8-8.5) mg/L; Concentration: 1500 ug/L for 96 hr /formulation
- Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: EC50; Species: Daphnia magna (Water Flea) 1st instar larva; Conditions: freshwater, static, 20 deg C, pH 7.2-8.6, hardness 26 mg/L CaCO3, alkalinity 45 mg/L CaCO3, dissolved oxygen 8.8 mg/L; Concentration: 3100 ug/L for 48 hr; Effect: intoxication, immobilization /formulation
- Toxicity to algae: no data available
- Toxicity to microorganisms: no data available

#### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

AEROBIC: 3,4-Dinitrotoluene was not mineralized in water from a pond and from Waconda Bay; however, 3,4-dinitrotoluene was cometabolized when 500 ppm of yeast extract was added to the water from these two sources(1). The rate of degradation with added yeast extract in Searsville Pond water was 6.1X10+10 mL/cell-hour, and in Waconda Bay water 0.89X10+10 mL/cell-hour(1). 3,4-Dinitrotoluene, present at 100 mg/L, reached 0% of its theoretical BOD in 2 weeks using an activated sludge inoculum at 30 mg/L and the Japanese MITI test(2).

#### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

The BCF of 3,4-dinitrotoluene in carp (Cyprinus carpio) over a 6-week period was determined to be less than 0.27 and less than 2.7 when exposed to concentrations of 10 and 1 mg/L, respectively(1). According to a classification scheme(2), these BCF values suggest the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low.

# 12.4 Mobility in soil

Using a structure estimation method based on molecular connectivity indices(1), the Koc of 3,4-dinitrotoluene can be estimated to be 575(SRC). Using a structure estimation method based on a log Kow of 2.08(2), the Koc of 3,4-dinitrotoluene can be estimated to be 326(SRC). According to a classification scheme(3), these estimated Koc values suggest that 3,4-dinitrotoluene is expected to have medium to low mobility in soil.

#### 12.5 Other adverse effects

no data available

# **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

## 13.1 Disposal methods

#### **Product**

The material can be disposed of by removal to a licensed chemical destruction plant or by controlled incineration with flue gas scrubbing. Do not contaminate water, foodstuffs, feed or seed by storage or disposal. Do not discharge to sewer systems.

#### Contaminated packaging

Containers can be triply rinsed (or equivalent) and offered for recycling or reconditioning. Alternatively, the packaging can be punctured to make it unusable for other purposes and then be disposed of in a sanitary landfill. Controlled incineration with flue gas scrubbing is possible for combustible packaging materials.

# **SECTION 14: Transport information**

## 14.1 UN Number

ADR/RID: UN3454 (For reference only, please IMDG: UN3454 (For reference only, please IATA: UN3454 (For reference only, please check.)

# 14.2 UN Proper Shipping Name

ADR/RID: DINITROTOLUENES, SOLID (For reference only, please check.) IMDG: DINITROTOLUENES, SOLID (For IATA: DINITROTOLUENES, SOLID (For reference only, please check.)

## 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 6.1 (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: 6.1 (For reference only, please check.)

IATA: 6.1 (For reference only, please check.)

## 14.4 Packing group, if applicable

ADR/RID: II (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: II (For reference only, please check.)

IATA: II (For reference only, please check.)

#### 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: Yes IMDG: Yes IATA: Yes

#### 14.6 Special precautions for user

no data available

# 14.7 Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

no data available

# **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

# 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question

Chemical name	Common names and synonyms	CAS number	EC number	
3,4-dinitrotoluene	3,4-dinitrotoluene	610-39-9	210-222-1	
European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)				
EC Inventory			Listed.	
United States Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory				
China Catalog of Hazardous chemicals 2015				
New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)				
Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)				
Vietnam National Chemical Inventory				
Chinese Chemical Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances (China IECSC)				
Korea Existing Chemicals List (KECL)				

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## Abbreviations and acronyms

- CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service
- ADR: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
- RID: Regulation concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail
- IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods
- IATA: International Air Transportation Association
- TWA: Time Weighted Average
- STEL: Short term exposure limit
- LC50: Lethal Concentration 50%
- LD50: Lethal Dose 50%
- EC50: Effective Concentration 50%

## References

- IPCS The International Chemical Safety Cards (ICSC), website: http://www.ilo.org/dyn/icsc/showcard.home
- HSDB Hazardous Substances Data Bank, website: https://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/newtoxnet/hsdb.htm
- IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer, website: http://www.iarc.fr/
- eChemPortal The Global Portal to Information on Chemical Substances by OECD, website: http://www.echemportal.org/echemportal/index?pageID=0&request\_locale=en
- CAMEO Chemicals, website: http://cameochemicals.noaa.gov/search/simple
- ChemIDplus, website: http://chem.sis.nlm.nih.gov/chemidplus/chemidlite.jsp
- ERG Emergency Response Guidebook by U.S. Department of Transportation, website: http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/library/erg
- Germany GESTIS-database on hazard substance, website: http://www.dguv.de/ifa/gestis/gestis-stoffdatenbank/index-2.jsp
- ECHA European Chemicals Agency, website: https://echa.europa.eu/

# Other Information

Depending on the degree of exposure, periodic medical examination is suggested. Specific treatment is necessary in case of poisoning with this substance; the appropriate means with instructions must be available. Do NOT take working clothes home. UN number for molten form: UN1600, TEC (R) 61GT1-II.