## **SECTION 1: Identification**

#### 1.1 GHS Product identifier

**Product name** Ethyl nitrate

### 1.2 Other means of identification

Product number

Other names nitrooxy-ethane; Salpeteraether; nitric acid ethyl ester

#### 1.3 Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

**Identified uses** Industrial and scientific research uses.

Uses advised against no data available

## **SECTION 2: Hazard identification**

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Explosives, Unstable explosive

# 2.2 GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram(s)

Signal word Danger

Hazard statement(s) H200 Unstable explosive

Precautionary statement(s)

**Prevention** P203 Obtain, read and follow all safety instructions before use.

P250 Do not subject to grinding/shock/friction/â€|.

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

protection/...

Response P370+P372+P380+P373 In case of fire: Explosion risk. Evacuate area. DO NOT fight fire

when fire reaches explosives.

Storage P401 Store in accordance withâ€

**Disposal** P503 Refer to manufacturer/supplier†for information on disposal/recovery/recycling.

#### 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
Ethyl nitrate	Ethyl nitrate	625-58-1	210-903-3	100%

# **SECTION 4: First-aid measures**

### 4.1 Description of necessary first-aid measures

#### If inhaled

Move the victim into fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration and consult a doctor immediately. Do not use mouth to mouth resuscitation if the victim ingested or inhaled the chemical.

## Following skin contact

Take off contaminated clothing immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a doctor.

## Following eye contact

Rinse with pure water for at least 15 minutes. Consult a doctor.

# Following ingestion

Rinse mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Call a doctor or Poison Control Center immediately.

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

Excerpt from ERG Guide 128 [Flammable Liquids (Water-Immiscible)]: Inhalation or contact with material may irritate or burn skin and eyes. Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases. Vapors may cause dizziness or suffocation. Runoff from fire control or dilution water may cause pollution. (ERG, 2016)

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

Basic treatment: Establish a patent airway. Suction if necessary. Watch for signs of respiratory insufficiency and assist ventilations if necessary. Administer oxygen by nonrebreather mask at 10 to 15 l/min. Monitor for shock and treat if necessary. Anticipate seizures and treat as necessary. For eye contamination, flush eyes immediately with water. Irrigate each eye continuously with normal saline during transport. Do not use emetics. For ingestion, rinse mouth and administer 5 ml/kg up to 200 ml of water for dilution if the patient can swallow, has a strong gag reflex, and does drool. Administer activated charcoal. Nitrates, nitrites, and related compounds

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

## 5.1 Suitable extinguishing media

Foam, carbon dioxide, dry chem...

## 5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Excerpt from ERG Guide 128 [Flammable Liquids (Water-Immiscible)]: HIGHLY FLAMMABLE: Will be easily ignited by heat, sparks or flames. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Most vapors are heavier than air. They will spread along ground and collect in low or confined areas (sewers, basements, tanks). Vapor explosion hazard indoors, outdoors or in sewers. Those substances designated with a (P) may polymerize explosively when heated or involved in a fire. Runoff to sewer may create fire or explosion hazard. Containers may explode when heated. Many liquids are lighter than water. Substance may be transported hot. For hybrid vehicles, ERG Guide 147 (lithium ion batteries) or ERG Guide 138 (sodium batteries) should also be consulted. If molten aluminum is involved, refer to ERG Guide 169. (ERG, 2016)

### 5.3 Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

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

## 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing mist, gas or vapours. Avoid contacting with skin and eye. Use personal protective equipment. Wear chemical impermeable gloves. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.

# 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further spillage or leakage if it is safe to do so. Do not let the chemical enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

## 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Collect and arrange disposal. Keep the chemical in suitable and closed containers for disposal. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Adhered or collected material should be promptly disposed of, in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations.

# **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

# 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

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

Store the container tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Store apart from foodstuff containers or incompatible materials.

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

### 8.1 Control parameters

# Occupational Exposure limit values

no data available

## **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 risk-

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

#### Eye/face protection

Wear tightly fitting safety goggles with side-shields conforming to EN 166(EU) or NIOSH (US).

### Skin protection

Wear fire/flame resistant and impervious clothing. Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Wash and dry hands. The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

## Respiratory protection

If the exposure limits are exceeded, irritation or other symptoms are experienced, use a full-face respirator.

#### Thermal hazards

no data available

# SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties and safety characteristics

Physical state Ethyl nitrate is a clear colorless liquid with a pleasant odor. Prolonged exposure to fire or heat

may cause vigorous decomposition and rupturing of the container. Denser than water and insoluble in water. Vapors are heavier than air. Produces toxic oxides of nitrogen during

combustion.

ColourColorless liquidOdourPleasant odorMelting point/freezing point-94.6 deg C

Boiling point or initial boiling point

and boiling range

no data available

87.2 deg C @ 762 mm Hg

**Flammability** no data available **Lower and upper explosion** LOWER, 4.0% BY VOL

limit/flammability limit

Flash point 50° F (NFPA, 2010)
Auto-ignition temperature no data available
Decomposition temperature no data available
pH no data available
Kinematic viscosity no data available

**Solubility** Sol in alcohol and ether; insoluble in water

Partition coefficient n-octanol/water no data available

**Vapour pressure** 64.0 mm Hg @ 25 deg C **Density and/or relative density** 1.1084 @ 20 deg C/4 deg C

**Relative vapour density** 3.1 (Air= 1) **Particle characteristics** no data available

# **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

### 10.1 Reactivity

Highly flammable. Insoluble in water.

#### 10.2 Chemical stability

no data available

# 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

SPONTANEOUS HEATING: NOOrganonitrates, such as ETHYL NITRATE, range from slight to strong oxidizing agents. If mixed with reducing agents, including hydrides, sulfides and nitrides, they may begin a vigorous reaction that culminates in a detonation. Nitroalkanes are milder oxidizing agents, but still react violently with reducing agents at higher temperature and pressures. Nitroalkanes react with inorganic bases to form explosive salts. The presence of metal oxides increases the thermal sensitivity of nitroalkanes. Nitroalkanes with more than one nitro group are generally explosive.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

no data available

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

no data available

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

On decomp, they emit toxic fumes. Nitrates

## **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

## Acute toxicity

- Oral: no data available
- 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

no data available

### Reproductive toxicity

no data available

### STOT-single exposure

no data available

#### STOT-repeated exposure

no data available

#### **Aspiration hazard**

no data available

# **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

### 12.1 Toxicity

- Toxicity to fish: no data available
- Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: no data available
- Toxicity to algae: no data available
- Toxicity to microorganisms: no data available

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

no data available

# 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

An estimated BCF of 2(1) was calculated for ethyl nitrate(SRC), using an estimated log Kow of 1(1,SRC) and a regression-derived equation(2). According to a classification scheme(3), this BCF suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low(3).

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

Using a structure estimation method based on molecular connectivity indices(1), the Koc for ethyl nitrate can be estimated to be 24(SRC). According to a classification scheme(2), this estimated Koc value suggests that ethyl nitrate is expected to have very high mobility in soil(2).

### 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: Not dangerous goods. (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: Not dangerous goods. (For reference IATA: Not dangerous goods. (For reference only, please check.)

## 14.2 UN Proper Shipping Name

ADR/RID: Not dangerous goods. (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: Not dangerous goods. (For reference IATA: Not dangerous goods. (For reference only, please check.)

### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: Not dangerous goods. (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: Not dangerous goods. (For reference IATA: Not dangerous goods. (For reference only, please check.)

## 14.4 Packing group, if applicable

ADR/RID: Not dangerous goods. (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: Not dangerous goods. (For reference IATA: Not dangerous goods. (For reference only, please check.)

## 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: No IMDG: No IATA: No

### 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
Ethyl nitrate	Ethyl nitrate	625-58-1	210-903-3
European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)			
EC Inventory			
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)			

# **SECTION 16: Other information**

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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/