

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name 1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene
Cat No. : L19756
CAS No 488-23-3
Synonyms No information available
Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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Emergency Telephone Number

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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Flammable liquids	Category 4
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	

Label Elements

Signal Word

Warning

Hazard Statements

Combustible liquid
Causes skin irritation
Causes serious eye irritation
May cause respiratory irritation

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking
Keep cool

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing
Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell

Skin

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention
Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse

Eyes

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

Fire

In case of fire: Use CO₂, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
Store locked up

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	488-23-3	<=100

4. First-aid measures

General Advice

If symptoms persist, call a physician.

Eye Contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.

Inhalation

Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if

symptoms occur.

Ingestion

Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.

Most important symptoms and effects

Difficulty in breathing. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

Notes to Physician

Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Carbon dioxide (CO₂). Powder. Water spray. In case of major fire and large quantities: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

No information available

Flash Point

68 °C / 154.4 °F

Method -

No information available

Autoignition Temperature

No information available

Explosion Limits**Upper**

No data available

Lower

No data available

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact

No information available

Sensitivity to Static Discharge

No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Combustible material. Containers may explode when heated.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

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Health
2

Flammability
2

Instability
0

Physical hazards
-

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

Environmental Precautions

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Remove all sources of ignition. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

7. Handling and storage

Handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only non-sparking tools. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

Storage

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Flammables area.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Engineering Measures

None under normal use conditions. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/face Protection

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respiratory Protection

No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Liquid
Appearance	Colorless
Odor	No information available
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	No information available
Melting Point/Range	No data available
Boiling Point/Range	203 °C / 397.4 °F
Flash Point	68 °C / 154.4 °F
Evaporation Rate	No information available
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	No information available
Vapor Density	No information available
Specific Gravity	0.9 g/cm3
Solubility	Immiscible
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	No information available
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	No information available
Molecular Formula	C10 H14
Molecular Weight	134.22

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard

None known, based on information available

Stability

Stable under normal conditions.

Conditions to Avoid

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

Incompatible Materials

Oxidizing agent

Hazardous Decomposition Products Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Hazardous Reactions None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Product Information

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	LD50 = 6408 mg/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation No information available

Sensitization No information available

Carcinogenicity The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	488-23-3	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Mutagenic Effects No information available

Reproductive Effects No information available.

Developmental Effects No information available.

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure Respiratory system

STOT - repeated exposure None known

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains.

Persistence and Degradability Immiscible with water May persist based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility.

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal Methods Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a

hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

14. Transport information

DOT	COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID, NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT IN THIS QUANTITY According to 49 CFR §173.150(f)(1), this material should be reclassified as NA1993, Combustible Liquid, NOS if it is shipped in bulk.
UN-No	NA1993
Proper Shipping Name	Combustible liquid, n.o.s.
Packing Group	III
TDG	Not regulated
IATA	Not regulated
IMDG/IMO	Not regulated

15. Regulatory information

United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active/Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	488-23-3	X	ACTIVE	-

Legend:

TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export Not applicable

International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
1,2,3,4-Tetramethylbenzene	488-23-3	X	-	207-673-1	X	X	X	-	-	KE-33554

U.S. Federal Regulations

SARA 313	Not applicable
SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories	See section 2 for more information
CWA (Clean Water Act)	Not applicable
Clean Air Act	Not applicable
OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration	Not applicable
CERCLA	Not applicable
California Proposition 65	This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.
U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations	Not applicable
U.S. Department of Transportation Reportable Quantity (RQ):	N

DOT Marine Pollutant	Y
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

16. Other information

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