

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

Product identifier BENZYL ALCOHOL, REAGENT (ACS)

Other means of identification

Product code 2391

Synonyms BENZENEMETHANOL

**Recommended use** professional, scientific and technical activities: other professional, scientific and technical activities

**Recommended restrictions** None known.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

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# 2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazardsFlammable liquidsCategory 4Health hazardsAcute toxicity, oralCategory 4Acute toxicity, dermalCategory 4Acute toxicity, inhalationCategory 4Serious eye damage/eye irritationCategory 2Environmental hazardsHazardous to the aquatic environment, acuteCategory 2

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Hazardous to the aquatic environment,

Chemtrec 800-424-9300

long-term hazard

Not classified.

**Label elements** 

**OSHA** defined hazards



Signal word Warning

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**Hazard statement**Combustible liquid. Harmful if swallowed. Harmful in contact with skin. Causes serious eye irritation. Harmful if inhaled. Toxic to aquatic life. Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

**Precautionary statement** 

**Prevention** Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking. Wear protective

gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Do not breathe mist or vapor. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Avoid

Category 2

release to the environment. Wash thoroughly after handling.

**Response** 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. IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention. IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Collect spillage.

**Storage** Handle under inert gas. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. Store locked up.

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**Disposal** 

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.

Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None known.

**Supplemental information** 

None.

# 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### **Substances**

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
BENZYL ALCOHOL	BENZENEMETHANOL	100-51-6	100

<sup>\*</sup>Designates that a specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

# 4. First-aid measures

**Inhalation** Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Oxygen or

artificial respiration if needed. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Skin contact Wash off with soap and water. Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. Get medical

attention if irritation develops and persists. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if Eye contact

present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

Rinse mouth. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs. Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

Most important

Ingestion

symptoms/effects, acute and

delayed **Indication of immediate** 

medical attention and special treatment needed

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Keep victim warm. Keep victim

Severe eye irritation. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision.

under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.

**General information** Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to

protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media

**Unsuitable extinguishing** 

media

Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO2). Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

The product is combustible, and heating may generate vapors which may form explosive vapor/aii mixtures. During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.

In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Move containers from fire area if you can do

Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

Fire fighting

equipment/instructions

so without risk.

**Specific methods** 

Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

General fire hazards

Combustible liquid.

#### 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Keep out of low areas. Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Avoid inhalation of vapors and spray mists. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.

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# Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc.) away from spilled material. This material is classified as a water pollutant under the Clean Water Act and should be prevented from contaminating soil or from entering sewage and drainage systems which lead to waterways.

Large Spills: Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible. Cover with plastic sheet to prevent spreading. Use a non-combustible material like vermiculite, sand or earth to soak up the product and place into a container for later disposal. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

Small Spills: Absorb with earth, sand or other non-combustible material and transfer to containers for later disposal. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Never return spills to original containers for re-use. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.

#### **Environmental precautions**

Avoid release to the environment. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground. Inform appropriate managerial or supervisory personnel of all environmental releases.

# 7. Handling and storage

#### **Precautions for safe handling**

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Avoid inhalation of vapors and spray mists. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged exposure. Do not taste or swallow. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid release to the environment. Observe good industrial hygiene practices. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. Material should be stored under an inert atmosphere. Store in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight. Store in original tightly closed container. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep in an area equipped with sprinklers. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

#### **Occupational exposure limits**

Material	Туре	Value	
BENZYL ALCOHOL (CAS 100-51-6)	TWA	44.2 mg/m3	
		10 nnm	

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Appropriate engineering controls

Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Provide eyewash station.

#### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

**Eye/face protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

Skin protection

Hand protection Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.Other Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing.

**Respiratory protection** If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below recommended exposure

limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not

been established), an approved respirator must be worn.

**Thermal hazards** Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

General hygiene considerations

When using do not smoke. Keep away from food and drink. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking.

Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

**Appearance** 

Physical state
Form
Liquid.
Color
Colorless.
Odor
Not available.
Odor threshold
Not available.

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**pH** Not available. **Melting point/freezing point** 4.64 °F (-15.2 °C)

Initial boiling point and

boiling range

401.54 °F (205.3 °C)

**Flash point** 199.4 °F (93.0 °C) Closed Cup 213.0 °F (100.6 °C) Open Cup

Evaporation rate

Not available.

Flammability (solid, gas)

Not available.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - lower

(%)

Not available.

Flammability limit -

upper (%)

Not available.

**Explosive limit - lower** 

(%)

Not available.

**Explosive limit - upper** 

(%)

Not available.

**Vapor pressure** 0.01 kPa at 25 °C

Vapor density 3.72

**Relative density** Not available.

Solubility(ies)

**Solubility (water)** Not available.

Partition coefficient

(n-octanol/water)

1.1

Auto-ignition temperature816.8 °F (436 °C)Decomposition temperatureNot available.ViscosityNot available.

Other information

**Density** 1.042 g/cm3 estimated at 20 °C

**Dynamic viscosity** 1.06 mPa.s

1.62 mPa.s 2.76 mPa.s 5.47 mPa.s

Dynamic viscosity temperature

212 °F (100 °C)

167 °F (75 °C) 122 °F (50 °C) 77 °F (25 °C)

Flammability class Combustible IIIB estimated

Flash point class Combustible IIIA

**Kinematic viscosity** 1.013 mm<sup>2</sup>/s estimated

Molecular formula C7H8O

Molecular weight 108.14 g/mol

Percent volatile 100 %

**Specific gravity** 1.04 at 20 °C

**VOC (Weight %)** 100 %

## 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactivity** The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

**Chemical stability** Material is stable under normal conditions. **Possibility of hazardous** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Conditions to avoid

reactions

products

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. Avoid temperatures exceeding the flash

point. Contact with incompatible materials.

**Incompatible materials** Strong oxidizing agents.

Hazardous decomposition

**sition** No hazardous decomposition products are known.

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# 11. Toxicological information

## Information on likely routes of exposure

**Inhalation** Harmful if inhaled.

Skin contactHarmful in contact with skin.Eye contactCauses serious eye irritation.IngestionHarmful if swallowed.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and

toxicological characteristics

Severe eye irritation. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred

vision.

#### Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity Harmful if inhaled. Harmful in contact with skin. Harmful if swallowed.

Product	Species	Test Results
BENZYL ALCOHOL (CAS 10	0-51-6)	
Acute		
Dermal		
LD50	Rabbit	2000 mg/kg
Inhalation		
LC100	Rat	200 - 300 mg/l, 8 h
		200 - 300 mg/l, 8 Hours
LC50	Rat	1000 mg/l, 8 h
		1000 mg/l, 8 Hours
Oral		
LD50	Mouse	1580 mg/kg
	Rabbit	1940 mg/kg
	Rat	1230 - 3100 mg/kg
		3100 mg/kg
		1230 - 3100 mg/kg
Other		
LD50	Guinea pig	> 400 mg/kg
	Mouse	324 mg/kg
	Rat	53 mg/kg

<sup>\*</sup> Estimates for product may be based on additional component data not shown.

**Skin corrosion/irritation** Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.

Serious eye damage/eye

irritation

Causes serious eye irritation.

## Respiratory or skin sensitization

**Respiratory sensitization** Not available.

**Skin sensitization** This product is not expected to cause skin sensitization.

**Germ cell mutagenicity** No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are

mutagenic or genotoxic.

**Carcinogenicity** This product is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or OSHA.

## IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Not available.

## US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

Not available.

**Reproductive toxicity**This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.

Specific target organ toxicity

- single exposure

Not classified.

Specific target organ toxicity

- repeated exposure

Not classified.

**Aspiration hazard** Not available.

**Chronic effects** Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

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# 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity** Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Product Species Test Results

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**Aquatic** 

Fish LC50 Bluegill (Lepomis macrochirus) 10 mg/l, 96 hours

**Persistence and degradability** No data is available on the degradability of this product.

**Bioaccumulative potential** Not available.

Partition coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow)

1.1

**Mobility in soil** No data available.

**Other adverse effects**No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation

potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

# 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal instructions**Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Do not allow this

material to drain into sewers/water supplies. Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with

chemical or used container. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with

local/regional/national/international regulations.

**Local disposal regulations** Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Hazardous waste code

The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste

disposal company.

Waste from residues /

unused products

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product

residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal

instructions).

**Contaminated packaging** Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is

emptied.

## 14. Transport information

DOT

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

IATA

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IMDG** 

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

Transport in bulk according to Not established.

Annex II of MARPOL 73/78

and the IBC Code

# 15. Regulatory information

**US federal regulations**This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard,

29 CFR 1910.1200.

All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory List.

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

**CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)** 

Not listed.

SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Not regulated.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

**Hazard categories** Immediate Hazard - Yes

Delayed Hazard - No Fire Hazard - Yes Pressure Hazard - No Reactivity Hazard - No

**SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance** 

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Not listed.

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SARA 311/312 Yes Hazardous chemical

#### SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Not regulated.

### Other federal regulations

#### Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

## Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

**Safe Drinking Water Act** 

Not regulated.

(SDWA)

#### **US state regulations**

#### US. California Controlled Substances. CA Department of Justice (California Health and Safety Code Section 11100)

Not listed.

#### **US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List**

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## **US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act**

Not listed.

## **US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law**

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## **US. Rhode Island RTK**

Not regulated.

#### **US. California Proposition 65**

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins.

#### **International Inventories**

Country(s) or region

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Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

<sup>\*</sup>A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

## 16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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**Disclaimer** GFS Chemicals cannot anticipate all conditions under which this information and its product, or the

products of other manufacturers in combination with its product, may be used. It is the user's responsibility to ensure safe conditions for handling, storage and disposal of the product, and to assume liability for loss, injury, damage or expense due to improper use. The information in the

On inventory (yes/no)\*

sheet was written based on the best knowledge and experience currently available.

**Revision Information** Physical & Chemical Properties: Multiple Properties

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