

# SAFETY DATA SHEETS

According to the UN GHS revision 9

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## SECTION 1: Identification

### 1.1 GHS Product identifier

**Product name** Methyl acetate

### 1.2 Other means of identification

**Product number** -  
**Other names** Acetic Acid Methyl Ester

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

**Identified uses** Industrial and scientific research use.  
**Uses advised against** no data available

### 1.4 Supplier's details

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### 1.5 Emergency phone number

**Emergency phone number** +86-400-133-2688  
**Service hours** Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm (Standard time zone: UTC/GMT +8 hours).

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## SECTION 2: Hazard identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Flammable liquids, Category 2  
Eye irritation, Category 2  
Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure, Category 3

### 2.2 GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

**Pictogram(s)**



**Signal word** Danger  
**Hazard statement(s)** H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation  
H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness  
**Precautionary statement(s)**

<b>Prevention</b>	<p>P210 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.</p> <p>P233 Keep container tightly closed.</p> <p>P240 Ground and bond container and receiving equipment.</p> <p>P241 Use explosion-proof [electrical/ventilating/lighting/...] equipment.</p> <p>P242 Use non-sparking tools.</p> <p>P243 Take action to prevent static discharges.</p> <p>P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection/...</p> <p>P264 Wash ... thoroughly after handling.</p> <p>P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.</p> <p>P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.</p>
<b>Response</b>	<p>P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse affected areas with water [or shower].</p> <p>P370+P378 In case of fire: Use ... to extinguish.</p> <p>P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.</p> <p>P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.</p> <p>P319 Get medical help if you feel unwell.</p>
<b>Storage</b>	<p>P403+P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.</p> <p>P403+P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.</p> <p>P405 Store locked up.</p>
<b>Disposal</b>	<p>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.</p>

### 2.3 Other hazards which do not result in classification

no data available

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## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Chemical name	Common names and synonyms	CAS number	EC number	Concentration
Methyl acetate	Methyl acetate	79-20-9	201-185-2	100%

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## SECTION 4: First-aid measures

### 4.1 Description of necessary first-aid measures

#### If inhaled

Fresh air, rest. Refer for medical attention.

#### Following skin contact

Rinse contaminated clothes (fire hazard) with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothes. Rinse skin with plenty of water or shower.

#### 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

Very similar to those of methyl alcohol, which constitutes 20% of commercial grade.) Inhalation causes headache, fatigue, and drowsiness; high concentrations can produce central nervous system depression and optic nerve damage. Liquid irritates eyes and may

cause defatting and cracking of skin. Ingestion causes headache, dizziness, drowsiness, fatigue; may cause severe eye damage. (USCG, 1999)

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

Immediate first aid: Ensure that adequate decontamination has been carried out. If patient is not breathing, start artificial respiration, preferably with a demand-valve resuscitator, bag-valve-mask device, or pocket mask, as trained. Perform CPR as necessary. Immediately flush contaminated eyes with gently flowing water. Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain an open airway and prevent aspiration. Keep patient quiet and maintain normal body temperature. Obtain medical attention. Methyl alcohol and related compounds

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

### **5.1 Suitable extinguishing media**

Suitable extinguishing media: Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

### **5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical**

Behavior in Fire: Vapor is heavier than air and may travel a considerable distance to a source of ignition and flash back. (USCG, 1999)

### **5.3 Special protective actions for fire-fighters**

Use alcohol-resistant foam, foam, powder, carbon dioxide, fine water spray. In case of fire: keep drums, etc., cool by spraying with water.

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

### **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Remove all ignition sources. Evacuate danger area! Consult an expert! Personal protection: filter respirator for organic gases and vapours of low boiling point adapted to the airborne concentration of the substance. Do NOT wash away into sewer. Collect leaking liquid in sealable containers. Absorb liquid in sand or inert absorbent. Then store and dispose of according to local regulations.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Remove all ignition sources. Evacuate danger area! Consult an expert! Personal protection: filter respirator for organic gases and vapours of low boiling point adapted to the airborne concentration of the substance. Do NOT wash away into sewer. Collect leaking liquid in sealable containers. Absorb liquid in sand or inert absorbent. Then store and dispose of according to local regulations.

### **6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Remove all ignition sources. Establish forced ventilation to keep levels below explosive limit. Absorb liquids in vermiculite, dry sand, earth, peat, carbon or a similar material and deposit in sealed containers. Keep this chemical out of a confined space, such as a sewer, because of the possibility of an explosion.

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## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

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

NO open flames, NO sparks and NO smoking. Closed system, ventilation, explosion-proof electrical equipment and lighting. Use non-sparking handtools. Do NOT use compressed air for filling, discharging, or 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**

Fireproof. Separated from strong oxidants, strong acids and strong bases. Store in a flammable liquid storage area or approved cabinet away from ignition sources and corrosive and reactive materials. ... Methyl acetate must be stored to avoid contact with strong oxidizers (such as chlorine, bromine, and fluorine) and strong acids (such as hydrochloric, sulfuric, and nitric), since violent reactions occur. Store in tightly closed containers in a cool, well-ventilated area away from strong alkalis and nitrates. Sources of ignition, such as smoking and open flames, are prohibited where methyl acetate is used, handled or stored in a manner that could create a potential fire or explosion hazard. Use only nonsparking tools and equipment, especially when opening and closing containers of methyl acetate.

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

### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Occupational Exposure limit values**

TLV: 200 ppm as TWA; 250 ppm as STEL. MAK: 310 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 100 ppm; peak limitation category: I(4); pregnancy risk group: C

#### **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-elimination area.

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

#### **Eye/face protection**

Wear safety goggles or eye protection in combination with breathing protection.

#### **Skin protection**

Protective gloves.

#### **Respiratory protection**

Use ventilation, local exhaust or breathing protection.

#### **Thermal hazards**

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## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties and safety characteristics**

<b>Physical state</b>	Methyl acetate is a clear colorless liquid with a fragrant odor. Moderately toxic. Flash point 14°F. Vapors heavier than air.
<b>Colour</b>	Colorless, volatile liquid
<b>Odour</b>	Pleasant odor
<b>Melting point/freezing point</b>	19°C(lit.)
<b>Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	57-58°C(lit.)
<b>Flammability</b>	Class IB Flammable Liquid: Fl.P. below 73°F and BP at or above 100°F.
<b>Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit</b>	Lower flammable limit: 3.1% by volume; Upper flammable limit: 16% by volume
<b>Flash point</b>	-13°C
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	936°F
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	no data available

<b>pH</b>	no data available
<b>Kinematic viscosity</b>	0.364 mPa.s at 25 deg C
<b>Solubility</b>	greater than or equal to 100 mg/mL at 70° F (NTP, 1992)
<b>Partition coefficient n-octanol/water</b>	log Kow = 0.18
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	170 mm Hg at 68° F ; 235 mm Hg at 77° F (NTP, 1992)
<b>Density and/or relative density</b>	0.934g/mL at 25°C
<b>Relative vapour density</b>	2.55 (vs air)
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	no data available

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

3100 ppm (IDLH based on 10% of the lower explosive limit for safety considerations even though the relevant toxicological data indicated that irreversible health effects or impairment of escape existed only at higher concentrations.)  
It reacts with strong oxidants. This generates fire or explosion hazard. It reacts violently with strong acids and strong bases. Attacks rubber and some forms of plastic.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Dangerous fire hazard when exposed to heat, flame, or oxidizers. The vapour is heavier than air and may travel along the ground; distant ignition possible. METHYL ACETATE presents a fire or explosion hazard when exposed to strong oxidizing agents. Emits irritating fumes and acrid smoke when heated to decomposition, [Lewis, 3rd ed., 1993, p. 826]. Its reactivity is consistent with other compounds of the ester group.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

no data available

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Forms explosive mixture with air. a strong reducing agent. Incompatible with water, acids, nitrates, strong oxidizers, alkalis. Attacks some plastics. Attacks many metals in the presence of water. Reacts slowly with water, forming acetic acid and methanol.

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Decomposes in heat; on contact with air, bases, strong oxidizers, UV-light, causing fire and explosion hazard.

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## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### Acute toxicity

- Oral: LD50 Rat oral 6,482 mg/kg
- Inhalation: LC50 Cat inhalation > 30 mg/L 10hr
- 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**

The substance is irritating to the eyes and respiratory tract. The substance is mildly irritating to the skin. The substance may cause effects on nervous system. Exposure far above the OEL could cause lowering of consciousness.

#### **STOT-repeated exposure**

The substance defats the skin, which may cause dryness or cracking. The substance may have effects on the optic nerve. This may result in impaired vision.

#### **Aspiration hazard**

A harmful contamination of the air can be reached rather quickly on evaporation of this substance at 20°C.

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## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

### **12.1 Toxicity**

- Toxicity to fish: LC50; Species: Pimephales promelas (fathead minnows); Concentration: 399 mg/L for 96 hr (confidence limit 378-422 mg/L) /Conditions of bioassay not specified
- 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**

AEROBIC: Methyl acetate achieved >70% after 28 days in an OECD 301D Closed bottle test(1). Methyl acetate reached > 95% degradation in a 5 day BOD test(2).

### **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

An estimated BCF of 3.2 was calculated in fish for methyl acetate(SRC), using a log Kow of 0.18(1) and a regression-derived equation(2). According to a classification scheme(3), this BCF suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low(SRC).

### **12.4 Mobility in soil**

The Koc of methyl acetate is estimated as 9.1(SRC), using a log Kow of 0.18(1) and a regression-derived equation(2). According to a classification scheme(3), this estimated Koc value suggests that methyl acetate is expected to have very high mobility in soil(SRC).

### **12.5 Other adverse effects**

no data available

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## **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.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

### 14.1 UN Number

ADR/RID: UN1231 (For reference only, please check.)	IMDG: UN1231 (For reference only, please check.)	IATA: UN1231 (For reference only, please check.)
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### 14.2 UN Proper Shipping Name

ADR/RID: METHYL ACETATE (For reference only, please check.)	IMDG: METHYL ACETATE (For reference only, please check.)	IATA: METHYL ACETATE (For reference only, please check.)
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### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 3 (For reference only, please check.)	IMDG: 3 (For reference only, please check.)	IATA: 3 (For reference only, please check.)
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### 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.)
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### 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: No	IMDG: No	IATA: No
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### 14.6 Special precautions for user

no data available

### 14.7 Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

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## 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
Methyl acetate	Methyl acetate	79-20-9	201-185-2
<b>European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)</b>			Listed.
<b>EC Inventory</b>			Listed.
<b>United States Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory</b>			Listed.
<b>China Catalog of Hazardous chemicals 2015</b>			Listed.
<b>New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)</b>			Listed.
<b>Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)</b>			Listed.
<b>Vietnam National Chemical Inventory</b>			Listed.
<b>Chinese Chemical Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances (China IECSC)</b>			Listed.
<b>Korea Existing Chemicals List (KECL)</b>			Listed.

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## SECTION 16: Other information

### Information on revision

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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](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

Do NOT take working clothes home. The odour warning when the exposure limit value is exceeded is insufficient.

**Any questions regarding this SDS, Please send your inquiry to [sds@xixisys.com](mailto:sds@xixisys.com)**

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