

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Formalin, 10%, Neutral Buffered with 0.03% Eosin

Product Number : F5304

Brand : Sigma

Formalin

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Flammable liquids (Category 4), H227

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315

Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

Skin sensitisation (Category 1), H317

Germ cell mutagenicity (Category 2), H341

Carcinogenicity (Category 1A), H350

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 1), H370

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H227

Combustible liquid.

H302

Harmful if swallowed.

H315

Causes skin irritation.

H317

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H318

Causes serious eye damage.

H341

Suspected of causing genetic defects.

H350

May cause cancer.

H370

Causes damage to organs.

Precautionary statement(s)	
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P210	Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.
P260	Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P272	Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P312 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.
P302 + P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P307 + P311	IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
P333 + P313	If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P403 + P235	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.2 Mixtures

Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
Formaldehyde		
CAS-No.	50-00-0	>= 1 - < 5 %
EC-No.	200-001-8	
Index-No.	605-001-00-5	
Registration number	01-2119488953-20-0169	
Methanol		
CAS-No.	67-56-1	>= 1 - < 5 %
EC-No.	200-659-6	
Index-No.	603-001-00-X	
Registration number	01-2119433307-44-XXXX	

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

No data available

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**8.1 Control parameters****Components with workplace control parameters**

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	C	0.300000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation Suspected human carcinogen Sensitizer		
		TWA	0.016000 ppm	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential Occupational Carcinogen See Appendix A		
		C	0.100000 ppm	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential Occupational Carcinogen See Appendix A 15 minute ceiling value		
		Substance listed; for more information see OSHA document 1910.1048		
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		PEL	0.750000 ppm	OSHA Specifically Regulated Chemicals/Carcinogens
		1910.1048 This standard applies to all occupational exposures to formaldehyde, i.e. from formaldehyde gas, its solutions, and materials that release formaldehyde OSHA specifically regulated carcinogen		
		STEL	2.000000 ppm	OSHA Specifically Regulated Chemicals/Carcinogens
		1910.1048 This standard applies to all occupational exposures to formaldehyde, i.e. from formaldehyde gas, its solutions, and materials that release formaldehyde OSHA specifically regulated carcinogen		
		TWA	0.016000 ppm	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential Occupational Carcinogen Formalin is an aqueous solution that is 37% formaldehyde by weight; inhibited solutions usually contain 6-12% methyl alcohol. Also see specific listings for Formaldehyde and Methyl alcohol. See Appendix A		
		C	0.100000 ppm	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential Occupational Carcinogen Formalin is an aqueous solution that is 37% formaldehyde by weight; inhibited solutions usually contain 6-12% methyl alcohol. Also see specific listings for Formaldehyde and Methyl alcohol. See Appendix A 15 minute ceiling value		
		C	0.3 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Dermal Sensitization Respiratory sensitization Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation 2015 Adoption Suspected human carcinogen		

		TWA	0.016 ppm	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential Occupational Carcinogen Formalin is an aqueous solution that is 37% formaldehyde by weight; inhibited solutions usually contain 6-12% methyl alcohol. Also see specific listings for Formaldehyde and Methyl alcohol. See Appendix A		
		C	0.1 ppm	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential Occupational Carcinogen Formalin is an aqueous solution that is 37% formaldehyde by weight; inhibited solutions usually contain 6-12% methyl alcohol. Also see specific listings for Formaldehyde and Methyl alcohol. See Appendix A 15 minute ceiling value		
		PEL	0.75 ppm	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		see Section 5217		
		STEL	2 ppm	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		see Section 5217		
Methanol	67-56-1	TWA	200.000000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Headache Nausea Dizziness Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption		
		STEL	250.000000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Headache Nausea Dizziness Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption		
		TWA	200.000000 ppm 260.000000 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential for dermal absorption		
		ST	250.000000 ppm 325.000000 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential for dermal absorption		
		TWA	200.000000 ppm 260.000000 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		

		TWA	200 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Headache Nausea Dizziness Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption		
		STEL	250 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Headache Nausea Dizziness Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption		
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential for dermal absorption		
		ST	250 ppm 325 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential for dermal absorption		
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		
		STEL	250 ppm 325 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		Skin notation		
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		Skin notation		
		C	1,000 ppm	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		Skin		
		PEL	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		Skin		
		STEL	250 ppm 325 mg/m3	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		Skin		

Biological occupational exposure limits

Component	CAS-No.	Parameters	Value	Biological specimen	Basis
Methanol	67-56-1	Methanol	15.0000 mg/l	Urine	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)
	Remarks	End of shift (As soon as possible after exposure ceases)			
		Methanol	15 mg/l	Urine	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)
		End of shift (As soon as possible after exposure ceases)			

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance	Form: liquid
b) Odour	No data available
c) Odour Threshold	No data available
d) pH	No data available
e) Melting point/freezing point	No data available
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	100 °C (212 °F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)
g) Flash point	62.2 °C (144.0 °F) - closed cup
h) Evaporation rate	No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Upper explosion limit: 70 %(V) Lower explosion limit: 7 %(V)
k) Vapour pressure	53 hPa (40 mmHg) at 39 °C (102 °F)
l) Vapour density	No data available
m) Relative density	1.080 g/cm ³
n) Water solubility	completely miscible
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available
p) Auto-ignition temperature	No data available
q) Decomposition temperature	No data available

- r) Viscosity No data available
- s) Explosive properties No data available
- t) Oxidizing properties No data available

9.2 Other safety information
No data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

No data available

10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks.

10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong bases, Acids, Oxidizing agents, Alkali metals, Strong oxidizing agents, Amines, Strong acids, Acid chlorides, Acid anhydrides, Reducing agents, Peroxides, Isocyanates, Phenol, Aniline

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

No data available

Inhalation: No data available

Dermal: No data available

No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

Carcinogenicity

IARC: 1 - Group 1: Carcinogenic to humans (Formaldehyde)

NTP: Known to be human carcinogen (Formaldehyde)

OSHA: OSHA specifically regulated carcinogen (Formaldehyde)

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

Additional Information

RTECS: Not available

Methyl alcohol may be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed., Cannot be made non-poisonous., Effects due to ingestion may include:, Nausea, Dizziness, Gastrointestinal disturbance, Weakness, Confusion., Drowsiness, Unconsciousness, May cause convulsions.

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence (Formaldehyde)

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence (Methanol)

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity

No data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability

No data available

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 Other adverse effects

No data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product

This combustible material may be burned in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)

NA-Number: 1993

Class: NONE

Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Combustible liquid, n.o.s. (Methanol, Formaldehyde)

Reportable Quantity (RQ): 2500 lbs

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG

Not dangerous goods

IATA

Not dangerous goods

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

SARA 302 Components

Sigma - F5304

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 302:

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	2007-07-01

SARA 313 Components

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Methanol	67-56-1	2007-07-01
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	2007-07-01

SARA 311/312 Hazards

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	2007-07-01
Methanol	67-56-1	2007-07-01

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Water	7732-18-5	
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	2007-07-01
Methanol	67-56-1	2007-07-01
Disodium hydrogenorthophosphate	7558-79-4	2007-03-01

New Jersey Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Water	7732-18-5	
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	2007-07-01
Methanol	67-56-1	2007-07-01

California Prop. 65 Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
WARNING! This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.	50-00-0	2007-09-28
Formaldehyde		

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.	67-56-1	2012-03-16
Methanol		

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Aquatic Acute	Acute aquatic toxicity
Carc.	Carcinogenicity
Eye Dam.	Serious eye damage
Flam. Liq.	Flammable liquids
H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapour.
H227	Combustible liquid.
H301 + H311 + H331	Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H341	Suspected of causing genetic defects.
H350	May cause cancer.

H370 Causes damage to organs.
H402 Harmful to aquatic life.
Muta. Germ cell mutagenicity
Skin Corr. Skin corrosion
Skin Sens. Skin sensitisation
STOT SE Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

HMIS Rating

Health hazard: 3
Chronic Health Hazard: *
Flammability: 2
Physical Hazard 0

NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 3
Fire Hazard: 2
Reactivity Hazard: 0

Further information

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