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## MSDS

# 1,1,1-TRICHLOROETHANE- MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 24 Hour EMERGENCY CONTACT

U.S- CHEMTREC 1-800-  
424-9300

CANADA- CANUTEC 613-  
996-6666

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## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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### Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc.

*The telephone numbers listed below are  
emergency numbers, please contact your local  
branch for routine inquiries.*

#### USA

959 Route 46 East  
Parsippany, New Jersey  
07054-0624 USA  
Phone: 973-257-1100

#### CANADA

530 Watson Street  
Whitby, Ontario  
L1N 5R9 Canada  
Phone: 905-668-3570

**SUBSTANCE:** 1,1,1-TRICHLOROETHANE

**SYMBOL:** C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>3</sub>

**TRADE NAMES/SYNONYMS:**

VINYL TRICHLORIDE; BETA-TRICHLOROETHANE; ETHANE, 1,1,1-TRICHLORO-; ETHANE TRICHLORIDE; 1,1,1-TRICHLOROETHANE; 1,1,1-TRICHLOROETHANE; RCRA U227; C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Cl<sub>3</sub>; MAT26380; RTECS KJ3150000

**CHEMICAL FAMILY:** halogenated, aliphatic

**CREATION DATE:** Jan 24 1989

**REVISION DATE:** Mar 16 1999

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## 2. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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**COMPONENT:** 1,1,1-TRICHLOROETHANE

**CAS NUMBER:** 79-00-5

**EC NUMBER (EINECS):** 201-166-9

**EC INDEX NUMBER:** 602-014-00-8

**PERCENTAGE:** 100.0

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## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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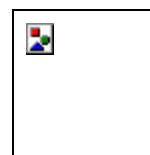
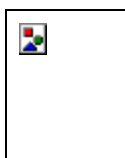
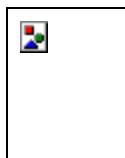
**NFPA RATINGS (SCALE 0-4):** HEALTH=2 FIRE=1 REACTIVITY=0

**EC CLASSIFICATION (ASSIGNED):**

Xn Harmful

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EC Classification may be inconsistent with independently-researched data.



**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:**

**Color:** colorless

**Physical Form:** liquid

**Odor:** sweet odor

**Major Health Hazards:** harmful if inhaled, respiratory tract irritation, skin irritation, eye irritation, central nervous system depression

**POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:**

**INHALATION:**

**Short Term Exposure:** irritation, irregular heartbeat, headache, symptoms of drunkenness, kidney damage, liver damage

**Long Term Exposure:** tingling sensation, paralysis

**SKIN CONTACT:**

**Short Term Exposure:** irritation, symptoms of drunkenness, kidney damage, liver damage

**Long Term Exposure:** kidney damage

**EYE CONTACT:**

**Short Term Exposure:** irritation

**Long Term Exposure:** same as effects reported in short term exposure

**INGESTION:**

**Short Term Exposure:** vomiting, digestive disorders, headache, symptoms of drunkenness, lung congestion, kidney damage, liver damage

**Long Term Exposure:** no information on significant adverse effects

**CARCINOGEN STATUS:**

**OSHA:** N

**NTP:** N

**IARC:** N

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## **4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

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**INHALATION:**

When safe to enter area, remove from exposure. Use a bag valve mask or similar device to perform artificial respiration (rescue breathing) if needed. Keep warm and at rest. Get medical attention immediately.

**SKIN CONTACT:**

Remove contaminated clothing, jewelry, and shoes immediately. Wash with soap or mild detergent and large amounts of water until no evidence of chemical remains (at least 15-20 minutes). Get medical attention, if needed.

**EYE CONTACT:**

Wash eyes immediately with large amounts of water or normal saline, occasionally lifting upper and lower lids, until no evidence of chemical remains. Get medical attention immediately.

**INGESTION:**

If vomiting occurs, keep head lower than hips to help prevent aspiration. If person is unconscious, turn head to side. Get medical attention immediately.

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN:**

For inhalation, consider oxygen. For ingestion, consider gastric lavage. Consider oxygen.

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## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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### FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:

Slight fire hazard.

### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:

carbon dioxide, regular dry chemical

Large fires: Use regular foam or flood with fine water spray.

### FIRE FIGHTING:

Cool containers with water spray until well after the fire is out. Stay away from the ends of tanks. For tank, rail car or tank truck, evacuation radius: 800 meters (1/2 mile).

### FLASH POINT:

No data available.

### LOWER FLAMMABLE LIMIT:

6.0%

### UPPER FLAMMABLE LIMIT:

15.5%

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### WATER RELEASE:

Subject to California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65). Keep out of water supplies and sewers.

### OCCUPATIONAL RELEASE:

Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Small liquid spills: Absorb with sand or other non-combustible material. Large spills: Dike for later disposal. Remove sources of ignition. Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Reportable Quantity (RQ): Notify Local Emergency Planning Committee and State Emergency Response Commission for release greater than or equal to RQ (U.S. SARA Section 304). If release occurs in the U.S. and is reportable under CERCLA Section 103, notify the National Response Center at (800)424-8802 (USA) or (202)426-2675 (USA).

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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Store and handle in accordance with all current regulations and standards. Protect from physical damage. Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a well-ventilated area. Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Store outside or in a detached building. Keep separated from incompatible substances.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

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### EXPOSURE LIMITS:

#### 1,1,1-TRICHLOROETHANE:

10 ppm (55 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) OSHA TWA (skin)

10 ppm (55 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) ACGIH TWA (skin)

10 ppm (55 mg/m<sup>3</sup>) NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s) (skin)

**VENTILATION:** Provide local exhaust or process enclosure ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

**EYE PROTECTION:** Wear splash resistant safety goggles with a faceshield. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.

**CLOTHING:** Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing.

**GLOVES:** Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

**RESPIRATOR:** The following respirators and maximum use concentrations are drawn from NIOSH and/or OSHA.

**At any detectable concentration -**

Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

Any supplied-air respirator with full facepiece and operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with a separate escape supply.

**Escape -**

Any air-purifying respirator with a full facepiece and an organic vapor canister.

Any appropriate escape-type, self-contained breathing apparatus.

**For Unknown Concentrations or Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health -**

Any supplied-air respirator with full facepiece and operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with a separate escape supply.

Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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**PHYSICAL STATE:** liquid

**APPEARANCE:** clear

**COLOR:** colorless

**ODOR:** sweet odor

**MOLECULAR WEIGHT:** 133.40

**MOLECULAR FORMULA:** C-H<sub>2</sub>-CL-C-H-CL<sub>2</sub>

**BOILING POINT:** 235-237 F (113-114 C)

**FREEZING POINT:** -35 F (-37 C)

**VAPOR PRESSURE:** 17 mmHg @ 20 C

**VAPOR DENSITY (air=1):** 4.63

**SPECIFIC GRAVITY (water=1):** 1.4416

**WATER SOLUBILITY:** 0.45% @ 20 C

**PH:** Not available

**VOLATILITY:** 100%

**ODOR THRESHOLD:** Not available

**EVAPORATION RATE:** Not available

**COEFFICIENT OF WATER/OIL DISTRIBUTION:** Not available

**SOLVENT SOLUBILITY:**

**Soluble:** chloroform, esters, ketones, alcohol, ether

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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**REACTIVITY:**

Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:**

Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Containers may rupture or explode if exposed to heat.

**INCOMPATIBILITIES:**

acids, metals, bases, oxidizing materials, combustible materials

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION:**

Thermal decomposition products: phosgene, halogenated compounds, oxides of carbon

**POLYMERIZATION:**

Will not polymerize.

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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**1,1,1-TRICHLOROETHANE:**

**IRRITATION DATA:**

500 mg open skin-rabbit mild; 810 mg/24 hour(s) skin-rabbit severe; 500 mg/24 hour(s) skin-rabbit mild; 162 mg eyes-rabbit mild; 500 mg/24 hour(s) eyes-rabbit mild; 1440 mg/15 minute(s) skin-guinea pig

**TOXICITY DATA:**

1654 ppm/6 hour(s) inhalation-rat LC50 (EPA, Toxicological Profile); 3730 ul/kg skin-rabbit LD50; 836 mg/kg oral-rat LD50

**CARCINOGEN STATUS:**

IARC: Animal Limited Evidence, Group 3; ACGIH: A4 -Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen

**LOCAL EFFECTS:**

Irritant: inhalation, skin, eye

**ACUTE TOXICITY LEVEL:**

Moderately Toxic: inhalation, ingestion

Slightly Toxic: dermal absorption

**TARGET ORGANS:**

central nervous system, liver

**MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE:**

kidney disorders, liver disorders, respiratory disorders, skin disorders and allergies

**TUMORIGENIC DATA:**

Available.

**MUTAGENIC DATA:**

Available.

**ADDITIONAL DATA:**

Alcohol may enhance the toxic effects.

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## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**ECOTOXICITY DATA:**

**FISH TOXICITY:**

5500 ug/L 4 day(s) LC50 (Mortality) Plaice, sand dab (Pleuronectes platessa)

**INVERTEBRATE TOXICITY:**

78000 ug/L 48 hour(s) EC50 (Immobilization) Water flea (Daphnia magna)

**ALGAL TOXICITY:**

170000 ug/L 96 day(s) EC50 (Growth) Green algae (Chlorella pyrenoidosa)

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## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): U227.  
Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

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No classification assigned.

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## **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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**U.S. REGULATIONS:**

TSCA INVENTORY STATUS: Y

TSCA 12(b) EXPORT NOTIFICATION: Not listed.

CERCLA SECTION 103 (40CFR302.4): Y

1,1,1-Trichloroethane: 100 LBS RQ

SARA SECTION 302 (40CFR355.30): N

SARA SECTION 304 (40CFR355.40): N

SARA SECTION 313 (40CFR372.65): Y

## 1,1,1-Trichloroethane

### SARA HAZARD CATEGORIES, SARA SECTIONS 311/312 (40CFR370.21):

ACUTE: Y

CHRONIC: Y

FIRE: N

REACTIVE: N

SUDDEN RELEASE: N

OSHA PROCESS SAFETY (29CFR1910.119): N

### STATE REGULATIONS:

California Proposition 65: Y

Known to the state of California to cause the following:

1,1,1-Trichloroethane

Cancer (Oct 01, 1990)

### EUROPEAN REGULATIONS:

EC NUMBER (EINECS): 201-166-9

### EC RISK AND SAFETY PHRASES:

R 20/21/22	Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.
S 2	Keep out of reach of children.
S 9	Keep container in a well-ventilated place.

### CONCENTRATION LIMITS:

C>=5% Xn R 20/21/22

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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