

Material Safety Data Sheet

HAZARD WARNINGS	RISK PHRASES	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING
	Harmful compound, minimize exposure. Irritating to skin, eyes, and the respiratory system.	

Section I. Chemical Product and Company Identification

Chemical Name	Ethylene Cyanohydrin		
Catalog Number	C0450	Supplier	TCl America 9211 N. Harborgate St. Portland OR 1-800-423-8616
Synonym	2-Cyanoethanol (beta-); 3-Hydroxypropionitrile		
Chemical Formula	HOCH ₂ CH ₂ CN		
CAS Number	109-78-4	In case of Emergency Call	Chemtrec® (800) 424-9300 (U.S.) (703) 527-3887 (International)

Section II. Composition and Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Percent (%)	TLV/PEL	Toxicology Data
Ethylene Cyanohydrin	109-78-4	Min. 98.0 (GC)	Not available.	Rat LD ₅₀ (oral) 3200 mg/kg Rat LD ₅₀ (intraperitoneal) 3200 mg/kg Rabbit LD ₅₀ (dermal) 5 mL/kg

Section III. Hazards Identification

Acute Health Effects	Harmful if ingested or inhaled. Minimize exposure to this material. Severe overexposure can result in injury or death. Irritating to eyes and skin on contact. Inhalation causes irritation of the lungs and respiratory system. Inflammation of the eye is characterized by redness, watering, and itching. Skin inflammation is characterized by itching, scaling, reddening, or, occasionally, blistering. Follow safe industrial hygiene practices and always wear proper protective equipment when handling this compound.
Chronic Health Effects	CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS : Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS : Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS : Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY Not available. There is no known effect from chronic exposure to this product. Repeated or prolonged exposure to this compound is not known to aggravate existing medical conditions.

Section IV. First Aid Measures

Eye Contact	Check for and remove any contact lenses. IMMEDIATELY flush eyes with running water for at least 15 minutes, keeping eyelids open. COLD water may be used. DO NOT use an eye ointment. Flush eyes with running water for a minimum of 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Seek medical attention. Treat symptomatically and supportively.
Skin Contact	After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Gently and thoroughly wash the contaminated skin with running water and non-abrasive soap. Be particularly careful to clean folds, crevices, creases and groin. COLD water may be used. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Seek medical attention. Treat symptomatically and supportively. Wash any contaminated clothing before reusing.
Inhalation	If the victim is not breathing, perform artificial respiration. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, oxygen can be administered. Seek medical attention. Treat symptomatically and supportively.
Ingestion	INDUCE VOMITING by sticking finger in throat. Lower the head so that the vomit will not reenter the mouth and throat. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt, or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, administer artificial respiration. Examine the lips and mouth to ascertain whether the tissues are damaged, a possible indication that the toxic material was ingested; the absence of such signs, however, is not conclusive. Seek immediate medical attention and, if possible, show the chemical label. Treat symptomatically and supportively.

Section V. Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability	Combustible.	Auto-Ignition	505°C (941°F)
Flash Points	129°C (264.2°F)	Flammable Limits	LOWER: 2.3% UPPER: 12.1%
Combustion Products	These products are toxic carbon oxides (CO, CO ₂), nitrogen oxides (NO _x). WARNING: Very toxic cyanide gas may be produced in a fire. Do not inhale.		
Fire Hazards	Highly flammable in presence of open flames and sparks, of heat.		

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Emergency phone number (800) 424-9300

Explosion Hazards	Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available. No additional information is available regarding the risks of explosion.
Fire Fighting Media and Instructions	DO NOT USE WATER OR FOAM. SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemicals, CO ₂ . LARGE FIRE: Use DRY chemicals, CO ₂ . DO NOT use water jet.

Section VI. Accidental Release Measures

Spill Cleanup Instructions	Harmful material. Irritating material. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Mechanical exhaust required. Stop leak if without risk. Finish cleaning the spill by rinsing any contaminated surfaces with copious amounts of water. Consult federal, state, and/or local authorities for assistance on disposal.
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Section VII. Handling and Storage

Handling and Storage Information	HARMFUL. IRRITANT. WILL REACT WITH WATER AND/OR STEAM TO FORM FLAMMABLE, TOXIC VAPORS. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Mechanical exhaust required. When not in use, tightly seal the container and store in a dry, cool place. Avoid excessive heat and light. DO NOT ingest. Do not breathe gas, fumes, vapor or spray. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Treat symptomatically and supportively. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Always store away from incompatible compounds such as oxidizing agents, acids, alkalis (bases).
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Section VIII. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls	Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value. Ensure that eyewash station and safety shower is proximal to the work-station location.
Personal Protection	Splash goggles. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Boots. Gloves. A MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator must be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product. 
Exposure Limits	Not available.

Section IX. Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state @ 20°C	Colorless liquid.	Solubility	Soluble in cold water, hot water, alcohol, chloroform.
Specific Gravity	1.05 @ 0°C.		Insoluble in carbon tetrachloride, benzene, carbon disulfide.
Molecular Weight	71.08	Partition Coefficient	Not available.
Boiling Point	230°C (slight decomp.)	Vapor Pressure	0.08 mm of Hg (@ 25°C)
Melting Point	-46°C (-50.8°F)	Vapor Density	2.45 (Air = 1)
Refractive Index	1.4240 @ 20°C	Volatility	Not available.
Critical Temperature	Not available.	Odor	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.	Taste	Not available.

Section X. Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability	This material is stable if stored under proper conditions. (See Section VII for instructions)
Conditions of Instability	WILL REACT WITH WATER AND/OR STEAM TO PRODUCT FLAMMABLE, TOXIC VAPORS. Avoid excessive heat and light.
Incompatibilities	Reactive with oxidizing agents, acids, alkalis (bases), moisture, heat.

Section XI. Toxicological Information

RTECS Number	MU5250000
Routes of Exposure	Eye contact. Ingestion. Inhalation. Skin contact.
Toxicity Data	Rat LD ₅₀ (oral) 3200 mg/kg Rat LD ₅₀ (intraperitoneal) 3200 mg/kg Rabbit LD ₅₀ (dermal) 5 mL/kg
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Section XII. Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity	Not available.
Environmental Fate	Not available.

Section XIII. Disposal Considerations

Waste Disposal	Recycle to process, if possible. Consult your local or regional authorities. You may be able to dissolve or mix material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber system. Observe all federal, state, and local regulations when disposing of this substance.
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Section XIV. Transport Information

DOT Classification	Not a DOT controlled material (United States).
PIN Number	Not applicable.
Proper Shipping Name	Not applicable.
Packing Group (PG)	Not applicable.
DOT Pictograms	

Section XV. Other Regulatory Information and Pictograms

TSCA Chemical Inventory (EPA)	This product is ON the EPA Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory.
WHMIS Classification (Canada)	WHMIS CLASS D-2B: Material causing other toxic effects (TOXIC).
EINECS Number (EEC)	203-704-8
EEC Risk Statements	20/21/22- Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. 36/37/38- Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.
Japanese Regulatory Data	Not available.

Section XVI. Other Information

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