SAFETY DATA SHEET according to the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard

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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Benzyl alcohol

Product Number : 08421
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich
Index-No. : 603-057-00-5
CAS-No. : 100-51-6

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

Restrictions on use : Not Available

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich Inc.
3050 SPRUCE ST
ST. LOUIS MO 63103
UNITED STATES

Telephone : +1 314 771-5765
Fax : +1 800 325-5052

1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone # : 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (USA) +1-703-527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24 Hours/day; 7 Days/week

SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS classification in accordance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Hazards for the product as supplied

Acute toxicity (Oral) : Category 4

Eye irritation : Category 2A

Skin sensitisation : Sub-category 1B

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Other hazards

None known.

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms :



Signal word : Warning

Hazard statements : H302 Harmful if swallowed.
H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

Precautionary statements :

Prevention:

P261 Avoid breathing mist or vapours.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P272 Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace.
P280 Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.

Response:

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 water.
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P333 + P313 If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.

Disposal:

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Substance

CAS-No. : 100-51-6

Components

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Chemical name	CAS No./Unique ID	Concentration (% w/w)	Trade secret
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6*	>= 80 - <= 100	TSC

* Indicates that the identifier is a CAS No.
TSC- the actual concentration or concentration range is withheld as a trade secret

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice	:	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
If inhaled	:	After inhalation: fresh air.
In case of skin contact	:	In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Consult a physician.
In case of eye contact	:	After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.
If swallowed	:	After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult a physician.
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
Protection of first-aiders	:	For personal protection see section 8.
Notes to physician	:	No data available

SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	:	Water Foam Carbon dioxide (CO2) Dry powder
Unsuitable extinguishing media	:	For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.
Specific hazards during fire fighting	:	Combustible.

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Vapours are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

Hazardous combustion products	:	Carbon oxides
Specific extinguishing methods	:	No data available
Further information	:	Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	:	Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	:	Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapours, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert. Advice for emergency responders: For personal protection see section 8.
Environmental precautions	:	Do not let product enter drains.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	:	Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

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SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

For precautions see section 2.2.

Further information on storage conditions	:	Tightly closed.
Storage class	:	10, Combustible liquids
Recommended storage temperature	:	Recommended storage temperature see product label.
Further information on storage stability	:	Handle and store under inert gas. hygroscopic

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	TWA	10 ppm	US WEEL

Engineering measures : No data available

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection	:	required when vapours/aerosols are generated. Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.
Recommended Filter type:	:	Filter A (acc. to DIN 3181) for vapours of organic compounds

The entrepeneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

Hand protection

Material	:	butyl-rubber
Break through time	:	480 min
Glove thickness	:	0.3 mm

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Protective index	:	Full contact
Manufacturer	:	Butoject® (KCL 897 / Aldrich Z677647, Size M)
Material	:	Nitrile rubber
Break through time	:	43 min
Glove thickness	:	0.4 mm
Protective index	:	Splash contact
Manufacturer	:	Camatril® (KCL 730 / Aldrich Z677442, Size M)
Manufacturer	:	data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374
Remarks	:	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. If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.
Eye protection	:	Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Safety glasses
Skin and body protection	:	protective clothing
Hygiene measures	:	Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	:	liquid
Colour	:	No data available
Odour	:	No data available
Odour Threshold	:	No data available
pH	:	No data available

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Melting point/ range	:	3 - 9 °F / -16 - -13 °C
Boiling point/boiling range	:	397 - 401 °F / 203 - 205 °C
Flash point	:	214 °F / 101 °C DIN 51758
Evaporation rate	:	No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	:	No data available
Flammability (liquids)	:	No data available
Burning rate	:	No data available
Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit	:	Upper explosion limit 13 %(V) Information taken from reference works and the literature.
Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit	:	Lower explosion limit 1.3 %(V) Information taken from reference works and the literature.
Vapour pressure	:	No data available
Relative vapour density	:	No data available
Relative density	:	No data available
Density	:	1.045 g/mL (77 °F / 25 °C)
Water solubility	:	No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	:	log Pow: 1.05 (68 °F / 20 °C) Method: (experimental) GLP: No information available. Bioaccumulation is not expected.
Autoignition temperature	:	No data available
Decomposition temperature	:	No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	:	No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	:	No data available

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Flow time	:	No data available
Explosive properties	:	Not classified as explosive.
Oxidizing properties	:	none
Molecular weight	:	108.14 g/mol
Particle characteristics Particle size	:	No data available

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	:	Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating. A range from approx. 15 Kelvin below the flash point is to be rated as critical.
Chemical stability	:	The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .
Possibility of hazardous reactions	:	hygroscopic Stable under recommended storage conditions. Test for peroxide formation before distillation or evaporation. Test for peroxide formation or discard after 1 year.
Conditions to avoid	:	A mixture of benzyl alcohol and 58% sulfuric acid decomposed violently when heated to 180°C. Benzyl alcohol containing 1.4% hydrogen bromide and 1.1% of an iron(II) salt polymerized exothermally when heated above 100°C. Strong heating.
Incompatible materials	:	No data available
Hazardous decomposition products	:	In the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity
Acute toxicity estimate Oral - 1,200 mg/kg
(Expert judgement)
Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)
LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 4,178 mg/m3 - aerosol

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(OECD Test Guideline 403)
Remarks: (ECHA)
Dermal: No data available
No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - Rabbit
Result: No skin irritation - 4 h
(OECD Test Guideline 404)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - Rabbit
Result: irritating
(OECD Test Guideline 405)

Respiratory or skin sensitization
Open epicutaneous test - Guinea pig
Result: positive
The product is a skin sensitiser, sub-category 1B.
(OECD Test Guideline 429)
Remarks: (Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, Annex VI)

Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Micronucleus test
Species: Mouse
Cell type: Red blood cells (erythrocytes)
Application Route: Intraperitoneal
Method: OECD Test Guideline 474
Result: negative

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

Reproductive toxicity
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

11.2 Additional Information

RTECS: DN3150000
Central nervous system depression

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To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Components:

Benzyl alcohol:

Toxicity to fish	:	LC50 (Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)): 460 mg/l Exposure time: 96 h Test Type: static test Method: US-EPA
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	:	EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 230 mg/l Exposure time: 48 h Test Type: Immobilization Method: OECD Test Guideline 202 GLP: yes
Toxicity to algae/aquatic plants	:	ErC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): 700 mg/l Exposure time: 72 h Test Type: static test Method: OECD Test Guideline 201 GLP: yes
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity)	:	NOEC (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 51 mg/l Exposure time: 21 d Test Type: semi-static test Method: OECD Test Guideline 211 GLP: yes

Persistence and degradability

Components:

Benzyl alcohol:

Biodegradability	:	aerobic Inoculum: activated sludge Concentration: 100 mg/l Result: Readily biodegradable. Biodegradation: 92 - 96 % Exposure time: 14 d Method: OECD Test Guideline 301C
Biochemical Oxygen	:	1,550 mg/g

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Demand (BOD)		Incubation time: 5 d Remarks: (Lit.)
ThOD	:	2,515 mg/g Remarks: (IUCLID)
BOD/ThOD	:	62 % Remarks: (Lit.)

Bioaccumulative potential

Components:

Benzyl alcohol:

Bioaccumulation	:	Remarks: No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	:	log Pow: 1.05 (68 °F / 20 °C) Method: (experimental) GLP: No information available. Remarks: Bioaccumulation is not expected.

Mobility in soil

Components:

Benzyl alcohol:

Stability in soil	:	Remarks: No data available

Other adverse effects

Product:

Ozone-Depletion Potential	:	Regulation: 40 CFR Protection of Environment; Part 82 Protection of Stratospheric Ozone - CAA Section 602 Class I Substances Remarks: This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

Components:

Benzyl alcohol:

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment	:	Substance does not meet the criteria for PBT or vPvB according to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, Annex XIII.

Endocrine disrupting properties

No data available

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SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal methods

Waste from residues	:	Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

International Regulations

IATA-DGR

UN/ID No.	:	UN 3334
Proper shipping name	:	Aviation regulated liquid, n.o.s. (Benzyl alcohol)
Class	:	9
Packing group	:	III
Labels	:	Class 9 - Miscellaneous dangerous substances and articles
Packing instruction (cargo aircraft)	:	964
Packing instruction (passenger aircraft)	:	964

IMDG-Code

Not regulated as a dangerous good

Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable for product as supplied.

National Regulations

49 CFR

Not regulated as a dangerous good

Poison Inhalation Hazard	:	No

Special precautions for user

The transport classification(s) provided herein are for informational purposes only, and solely based upon the properties of the unpackaged material as it is described within this Safety Data Sheet. Transportation classifications may vary by mode of transportation, package sizes, and variations in regional or country regulations.

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

CERCLA Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a CERCLA RQ.

SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

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SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances Threshold Planning Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

SARA 311/312 Hazards	:	Acute Health Hazard Chronic Health Hazard
SARA 313	:	This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

Clean Air Act

This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).
This product does not contain any hazardous air pollutants (HAP), as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112 (40 CFR 61).
This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112(r) for Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130, Subpart F).
The following chemical(s) are listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 111 SOCMI Intermediate or Final VOC's (40 CFR 60.489):

Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	>= 90 - <= 100 %

Clean Water Act

This product does not contain any Hazardous Substances listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 116.4A.
This product does not contain any Hazardous Chemicals listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 117.3.
This product does not contain any toxic pollutants listed under the U.S. Clean Water Act Section 307
This product does not contain any priority pollutants related to the U.S. Clean Water Act

US State Regulations

Massachusetts Right To Know

Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6

Pennsylvania Right To Know

Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6

Maine Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

Vermont Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

Washington Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:

US TSCA : All substances listed as active on the TSCA inventory

TSCA list

No substances are subject to a Significant New Use Rule.

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No substances are subject to TSCA 12(b) export notification requirements.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Full text of other abbreviations

US WEEL	:	USA. Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels (WEEL)
US WEEL / TWA	:	8-hr TWA

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DOT - Department of Transportation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; EHS - Extremely Hazardous Substance; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide; GHS - Globally Harmonised System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; HMIS - Hazardous Materials Identification System; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organisation; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardisation; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; MSHA - Mine Safety and Health Administration; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NFPA - National Fire Protection Association; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RQ - Reportable Quantity; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

The information is believed to be correct but is not exhaustive and will be used solely as a guideline, which is based on current knowledge of the chemical substance or mixture and is applicable to appropriate safety precautions for the product. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above

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