

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Section 1: Identification

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Chloroform

Product Number : 288306

Brand : Sigma-Aldrich

CAS-No. : 67-66-3

1.2 Other means of identification

Trichloromethane
Methylidyne trichloride

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

Identified uses : For R&D use only. Not for pharmaceutical, household or other uses.

1.4 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.5 Emergency telephone number

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Section 2: Hazard identification

GHS Classification

Acute toxicity (Oral) : Category 4

Acute toxicity (Inhalation) : Category 3

Skin corrosion/irritation : Category 2

Serious eye damage/eye irritation : Category 2

Carcinogenicity : Category 2

Reproductive toxicity : Category 2

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure : Category 3 (Central nervous system)

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure : Category 1

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms :



Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H302 Harmful if swallowed.
 H315 Causes skin irritation.
 H319 Causes serious eye irritation.
 H331 Toxic if inhaled.
 H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
 H351 Suspected of causing cancer.
 H361 Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
 H372 Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Precautionary statements : **Prevention:**
 P201 Obtain special instructions before use.
 P260 Do not breathe mist or vapours.
 P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
 P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

Response:
 P304 + P340 + P311 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

Storage:
 P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Other hazards which do not result in classification

None known.

Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Substance / Mixture : Substance
CAS-No. : 67-66-3

Components

Chemical name	CAS-No.	Concentration (% w/w)
Chloroform	67-66-3	≥ 90 - ≤ 100
ethanol	64-17-5	≥ 1 - < 10

Section 4: First-aid measures

General advice : First aiders need to protect themselves.
Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled : After inhalation: fresh air. Immediately call in physician.
If breathing stops: immediately apply artificial respiration, if necessary also oxygen.

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: Fire-fighting 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. Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.
Hazardous combustion products	:	Carbon oxides Hydrogen chloride gas
Specific extinguishing methods	:	Suppress (knock down) gases/vapours/mists with a water spray jet. 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.
Hazchem Code	:	2Z

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 carefully with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

Section 7: Handling and storage

For precautions see section 2.2.

- Advice on safe handling : Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture. Avoid generation of vapours/aerosols.
- Hygiene measures : Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.
- Further information on storage conditions : Tightly closed.
Keep in a well-ventilated place.
Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorised persons.
- Storage class : 6.1D, Non-combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic hazardous materials or hazardous materials causing chronic effects
- Recommended storage temperature : Recommended storage temperature see product label.

Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis
Chloroform	67-66-3	WES-TWA	0.5 ppm 2.5 mg/m ³	NZ OEL
	Further information: Suspected human carcinogen, Skin absorption			
		TWA	10 ppm	ACGIH
ethanol	64-17-5	WES-TWA	1,000 ppm 1,880 mg/m ³	NZ OEL
		STEL	1,000 ppm	ACGIH

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 type AX

The entrepreneur 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 : Viton®
Break through time : 480 min
Glove thickness : 0.7 mm
Protective index : Full contact
Manufacturer : Vitoject® (KCL 890 / Aldrich Z677698, Size M)

Material : butyl-rubber
Break through time : 10 min
Glove thickness : 0.7 mm
Protective index : Splash contact
Manufacturer : Butoject® (KCL 898)

Remarks : This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: www.kcl.de).

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

Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

Appearance : liquid (20 °C , 1,013 hPa)

Color : colourless

Odor	: sweet
Odor Threshold	: 205 ppm
pH	: No data available
Melting point/ range	: -64 °C
Boiling point/boiling range	: 60.5 °C (1,013.25 hPa)
Flash point	: Method: Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, A.9 does not flash
Evaporation rate	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: No data available
Flammability (liquids)	: The product is not flammable.
Burning rate	: No data available
Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit	: Not applicable
Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit	: Not applicable
Vapor pressure	: 210 hPa (20 °C)
Relative vapour density	: 4.12 (Air = 1.0)
Relative density	: No data available
Density	: 1.49 g/cm ³ (25 °C)
Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility	: 8.7 g/l soluble (23 °C) pH: 7 Method: OECD Test Guideline 105
Solubility in other sol- vents	: (20 °C) miscible Solvent: organic solvent
Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	: No data available
Autoignition temperature	: not combustible

Decomposition temperature	: Distillable in an undecomposed state at normal pressure.
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: No data available
Flow time	: No data available
Explosive properties	: Not classified as explosive.
Oxidizing properties	: none
Molecular weight	: 119.38 g/mol
Particle characteristics	
Particle size	: No data available

Section 10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	: No data available
Chemical stability	: Sensitivity to light heat-sensitive
	The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .
Contains the following stabiliser(s):	: ethanol (≥ 0.5 - ≤ 1 %)
Possibility of hazardous reactions	: Risk of explosion with: Ammonia Amines nitrogen oxides bases Oxygen alkali amides organic nitro compounds strong alkalis Fluorine peroxi compounds Alkaline earth metals Alkali metals Powdered metals Methanol with alcoholates Methanol with strong alkalis Iron

in powder form
various alloys
sensitive to shock
Methanol
with
Sodium hydroxide
magnesium
in powder form
Oxygen
with
alkali compounds
Aluminium
in powder form
Acetone
with
alkali compounds
Potassium
sensitive to shock
sodium
sensitive to shock
Violent reactions possible with:
phosphines
bis(dimethylamino)dimethyl tin
nonmetallic hydrogen compounds
Powdered metals
Light metals
Ketones
mineral acids
Strong oxidizing agents
semimetallic hydrogen compounds

Conditions to avoid : no information available

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 - 912.56 mg/kg
(Calculation method)

LD50 Oral - Rat - male - 908 mg/kg
(OECD Test Guideline 401)

Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 4 h - 3.12 mg/l - vapour (Calculation method)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - 6 h - 9.17 mg/l - vapour

Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - Expert judgement - 4 h - 3.1 mg/l - vapour

Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Irritating to skin. - 24 h

Remarks: (ECHA)

Remarks: Drying-out effect resulting in rough and chapped skin.

Skin - Rabbit

Result: slight irritation

Remarks: (IUCLID)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Irritating to eyes.

Remarks: (ECHA)

Remarks: (Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, Annex VI)

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Maximisation Test - Guinea pig

Result: negative

(Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, B.6)

Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: Escherichia coli/Salmonella typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Result: negative

Remarks: (ECHA)

Test Type: unscheduled DNA synthesis assay

Test system: Liver

Metabolic activation: without metabolic activation

Result: negative

Remarks: (ECHA)

Test Type: Micronucleus test

Species: Rat

Cell type: Red blood cells (erythrocytes)

Application Route: Oral

Method: OECD Test Guideline 474

Result: negative

Test Type: unscheduled DNA synthesis assay

Species: Rat

Cell type: Liver cells

Application Route: Oral

Method: OECD Test Guideline 486

Result: negative

Test Type: in vivo assay

Species: Mouse

Application Route: Inhalation

Result: negative

Remarks: (ECHA)

Carcinogenicity

Suspected of causing cancer.

Reproductive toxicity

Suspected of damaging the unborn child.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

- Liver, Kidney

Aspiration hazard

No data available

11.2 Additional Information

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - female - Oral - No observed adverse effect level - 34 mg/kg

Vomiting, Cough, irritant effects, Shortness of breath, respiratory arrest, narcosis, Dizziness, Nausea, agitation, spasms, inebriation, Headache, Stomach/intestinal disorders, ataxia (impaired locomotor coordination), cardiovascular disorders
Drying-out effect resulting in rough and chapped skin.
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Section 12: Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Components:

Chloroform:

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	: EC50 (Crassostrea gigas): 152.5 mg/l Exposure time: 48 h Test Type: static test Analytical monitoring: yes Remarks: (ECHA)
Toxicity to algae/aquatic plants	: ErC50 (Chlamydomonas reinhardtii (green algae)): 13.3 mg/l Exposure time: 72 h Test Type: static test Analytical monitoring: yes Remarks: (ECHA)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity)	: NOEC (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 6.3 mg/l End point: reproduction rate Exposure time: 21 d Test Type: semi-static test Analytical monitoring: yes

Remarks: (ECHA)

Ecotoxicology Assessment

Chronic aquatic toxicity : This product has no known ecotoxicological effects.

ethanol:

Toxicity to fish : LC50 (Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)):
15,300 mg/l
End point: mortality
Exposure time: 96 h
Test Type: flow-through test
Analytical monitoring: yes
Method: US-EPA

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates : LC50 (Ceriodaphnia dubia (water flea)): 5,012 mg/l
End point: mortality
Exposure time: 48 h
Test Type: static test
Remarks: (ECHA)

Toxicity to algae/aquatic plants : ErC50 (Chlorella vulgaris (Fresh water algae)): 275 mg/l
Exposure time: 72 h
Test Type: static test
Method: OECD Test Guideline 201

Toxicity to fish (Chronic toxicity) : NOEC (Danio rerio (zebra fish)): 250 mg/l
Exposure time: 120 h
Test Type: semi-static test
Remarks: (ECHA)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity) : NOEC (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 9.6 mg/l
End point: reproduction rate
Exposure time: 9 d
Test Type: semi-static test
Remarks: (ECHA)

Toxicity to microorganisms : IC50 (activated sludge): > 1,000 mg/l
Exposure time: 3 h
Test Type: static test
Analytical monitoring: yes
Method: OECD Test Guideline 209
The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Methanol

Persistence and degradability

Components:

Chloroform:

Biodegradability : Remarks: No data available

ethanol:

Biodegradability	:	aerobic Inoculum: activated sludge, non-adapted Result: Readily biodegradable. Biodegradation: ca. 95 % Exposure time: 15 d Method: OECD Test Guideline 301E
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	:	930 - 1,670 mg/g Incubation time: 5 d Remarks: (Lit.)
ThOD	:	2,100 mg/g Remarks: (Lit.)

Bioaccumulative potential**Components:****Chloroform:**

Bioaccumulation	:	Remarks: No data available
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ethanol:

Bioaccumulation	:	Remarks: Due to the distribution coefficient n-octanol/water, accumulation in organisms is not expected.
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	:	log Pow: -0.35 (24 °C) pH: 7.4 Method: OECD Test Guideline 107 Remarks: Bioaccumulation is not expected.

Mobility in soil**Components:****Chloroform:**

Distribution among environmental compartments	:	Adsorption/Soil Koc: 52.5, log Koc: 1.72 Method: (experimental) Remarks: Mobile in soils
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Other adverse effects**Components:****Chloroform:**

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.
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ethanol:

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

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 1888
Proper shipping name : Chloroform solution
Class : 6.1
Packing group : III
Labels : Division 6.1 - Toxic substances
Packing instruction (cargo aircraft) : 680
Packing instruction (passenger aircraft) : 680

IMDG-Code

UN number : UN 1888
Proper shipping name : CHLOROFORM SOLUTION

Class : 6.1
Packing group : III
Labels : 6.1
EmS Code : F-A, S-A
Marine pollutant : no

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable for product as supplied.

National Regulations**NZS 5433**

UN number : UN 1888
Proper shipping name : CHLOROFORM

Class : 6.1
Packing group : III
Labels : 6.1
Hazchem Code : 2Z
Marine pollutant : 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

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

HSNO Approval Number

HSR002937 Methane, trichloro-Chloroform

Tolerable Exposure Limits (TEL)

Not applicable

Environmental Exposure Limits (EEL)

Not applicable

HSW Controls

Certified handler certificate not required.

Tracking hazardous substance not required.

Refer to the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017, for further information.

Section 16: Other information

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Further information

Other information : 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 product. See www.sigma-aldrich.com and/or the reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale.
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Full text of other abbreviations

ACGIH : USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
NZ OEL : New Zealand. Workplace Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants

ACGIH / TWA : 8-hour, time-weighted average
ACGIH / STEL : Short-term exposure limit
NZ OEL / WES-TWA : Workplace Exposure Standard - Time Weighted average

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ANTT - National Agency for Transport by Land of Brazil; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; 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; 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; MERCOSUR - The Agreement for the Facilitation of the Transport of Dangerous Goods; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; Nch - Chilean Norm; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NOM - Official Mexican Norm; 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; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TDG - Transportation of Dangerous Goods; 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; WHMIS - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

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