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## Material Safety Data Sheet

### 2-Methoxyethanol MSDS

#### Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

**Product Name:** 2-Methoxyethanol

**Catalog Codes:** SLM3538

**CAS#:** 109-86-4

**RTECS:** KL5775000

**TSCA:** TSCA 8(b) inventory: 2-Methoxyethanol

**CI#:** Not available.

**Synonym:** Methyl Cellosolve; Ethylene glycol monomethyl ether

**Chemical Formula:** C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

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#### Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

##### Composition:

Name	CAS #	% by Weight
{2-}Methoxyethanol	109-86-4	100

**Toxicological Data on Ingredients:** 2-Methoxyethanol: ORAL (LD50): Acute: 2370 mg/kg [Rat]. 2560 mg/kg [Mouse]. DERMAL (LD50): Acute: 1280 mg/kg [Rabbit]. VAPOR (LC50): Acute: 2121.3 ppm 4 hour(s) [Rat].

#### Section 3: Hazards Identification

##### Potential Acute Health Effects:

Extremely hazardous in case of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation. Very hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant, permeator). Inflammation of the eye is characterized by redness, watering, and itching. Skin inflammation is characterized by itching, scaling, reddening, or, occasionally, blistering.

##### Potential Chronic Health Effects:

Extremely hazardous in case of eye contact (irritant), of inhalation. Very hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant, permeator). CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. The substance is toxic to blood, kidneys, the nervous system, mucous membranes. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage. Repeated or prolonged inhalation of vapors may lead to chronic respiratory irritation.

#### Section 4: 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. Seek medical attention.

**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. If irritation persists, seek medical attention. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing.

**Serious Skin Contact:**

Wash with a disinfectant soap and cover the contaminated skin with an anti-bacterial cream. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Inhalation:** Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Serious Inhalation:**

Evacuate the victim to a safe area as soon as possible. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek medical attention.

**Ingestion:**

Do not induce vomiting. 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. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek immediate medical attention.

**Serious Ingestion:** Not available.

## Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

**Flammability of the Product:** Flammable.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** 285°C (545°F)

**Flash Points:** CLOSED CUP: 39°C (102.2°F). OPEN CUP: 43.3°C (109.9°F).

**Flammable Limits:** LOWER: 1.8% UPPER: 14%

**Products of Combustion:** These products are carbon oxides (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>).

**Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:** Slightly flammable to flammable in presence of oxidizing materials.

**Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:**

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. Slightly explosive to explosive in presence of oxidizing materials.

**Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:**

Flammable liquid, soluble or dispersed in water. SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use alcohol foam, water spray or fog. Cool containing vessels with water jet in order to prevent pressure build-up, autoignition or explosion.

**Special Remarks on Fire Hazards:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:** Not available.

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

**Small Spill:**

Dilute with water and mop up, or absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste disposal container.

**Large Spill:**

Flammable liquid. Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Stop leak if without risk. Absorb with DRY earth, sand or other non-combustible material. Do not touch spilled material. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined

areas; dike if needed. Eliminate all ignition sources. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

### Precautions:

Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not breathe gas/fumes/ vapour/spray. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If you feel unwell, seek medical attention and show the label when possible. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

### Storage:

Flammable materials should be stored in a separate safety storage cabinet or room. Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Keep container tightly closed. Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place. Ground all equipment containing material. Keep container dry. Keep in a cool place.

## Section 8: 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 stations and safety showers are proximal to the work-station location.

### Personal Protection:

Splash goggles. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

### Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:

Splash goggles. Full suit. Vapor respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

### Exposure Limits:

TWA: 5 (ppm) from ACGIH (TLV) SKIN TWA: 16 (mg/m<sup>3</sup>) from ACGIH. Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical state and appearance:** Liquid.

**Odor:** Not available.

**Taste:** Not available.

**Molecular Weight:** 76.1 g/mole

**Color:** Not available.

**pH (1% soln/water):** Not available.

**Boiling Point:** 124°C (255.2°F)

**Melting Point:** -85.1°C (-121.2°F)

**Critical Temperature:** Not available.

**Specific Gravity:** 0.9647 (Water = 1)

**Vapor Pressure:** 6.2 mm of Hg (@ 20°C)

**Vapor Density:** 2.62 (Air = 1)

**Volatility:** Not available.

**Odor Threshold:** 2.4 ppm

**Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.:** The product is more soluble in oil;  $\log(\text{oil/water}) = 5.9$

**Ionicity (in Water):** Not available.

**Dispersion Properties:** See solubility in water.

**Solubility:** Easily soluble in cold water.

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

**Stability:** The product is stable.

**Instability Temperature:** Not available.

**Conditions of Instability:** Not available.

**Incompatibility with various substances:** Not available.

**Corrosivity:** Non-corrosive in presence of glass.

**Special Remarks on Reactivity:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Corrosivity:** Not available.

**Polymerization:** No.

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

**Routes of Entry:** Dermal contact. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

### Toxicity to Animals:

WARNING: THE LC50 VALUES HEREUNDER ARE ESTIMATED ON THE BASIS OF A 4-HOUR EXPOSURE. Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 2370 mg/kg [Rat]. Acute dermal toxicity (LD50): 1280 mg/kg [Rabbit]. Acute toxicity of the vapor (LC50): 2121.3 ppm 4 hour(s) [Rat].

**Chronic Effects on Humans:** The substance is toxic to blood, kidneys, the nervous system, mucous membranes.

### Other Toxic Effects on Humans:

Extremely hazardous in case of ingestion, of inhalation. Very hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant, permeator).

**Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:** Animal: embryotoxic, induces sterility; decrease of sperm count. Passes through the placental barrier in animal.

**Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:** Not available.

## Section 12: Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** Not available.

**BOD5 and COD:** Not available.

### Products of Biodegradation:

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

**Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:** The product itself and its products of degradation are not toxic.

**Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation:** Not available.

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

**Waste Disposal:**

## Section 14: Transport Information

**DOT Classification:** CLASS 3: Combustible liquid with a flash point greater than 37.8C (100F).

**Identification:** : Flammable liquids n.o.s. : UN1188 PG: III

**Special Provisions for Transport:** No DOT, ref 49CFR, 173.150

## Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

### Federal and State Regulations:

California prop. 65: This product contains the following ingredients for which the State of California has found to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm, which would require a warning under the statute: 2-Methoxyethanol California prop. 65: This product contains the following ingredients for which the State of California has found to cause reproductive harm (female) which would require a warning under the statute: 2-Methoxyethanol California prop. 65: This product contains the following ingredients for which the State of California has found to cause birth defects which would require a warning under the statute: 2-Methoxyethanol Pennsylvania RTK: 2-Methoxyethanol Massachusetts RTK: 2-Methoxyethanol TSCA 8(b) inventory: 2-Methoxyethanol CERCLA: Hazardous substances.: 2-Methoxyethanol

**Other Regulations:** OSHA: Hazardous by definition of Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

### Other Classifications:

#### WHMIS (Canada):

CLASS B-3: Combustible liquid with a flash point between 37.8°C (100°F) and 93.3°C (200°F). CLASS D-2A: Material causing other toxic effects (VERY TOXIC).

#### DSCL (EEC):

R10- Flammable. R38- Irritating to skin. R41- Risk of serious damage to eyes. R48/20- Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation.

#### HMIS (U.S.A.):

**Health Hazard:** 2

**Fire Hazard:** 2

**Reactivity:** 0

**Personal Protection:** h

#### National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):

**Health:** 2

**Flammability:** 2

**Reactivity:** 0

**Specific hazard:**

#### Protective Equipment:

Gloves. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Splash goggles.

## Section 16: Other Information

**References:** Not available.

**Other Special Considerations:** Not available.

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