

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Malononitrile

**Cat No. :** A15046

**CAS-No** 109-77-3  
**Synonyms** MDN; Dicyanomethane

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

#### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

##### Company

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##### **Emergency Telephone Number**

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660.  
After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (800) 579-7421.

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

**WHMIS 2015 Classification** Classified as hazardous under the Hazardous Products Regulations (SOR/2015-17)

<b>Acute oral toxicity</b>	Category 3
<b>Acute dermal toxicity</b>	Category 3
<b>Acute Inhalation Toxicity</b>	Category 3
<b>Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified</b>	Category 1
Hazardous polymerization may occur	

#### Label Elements

##### **Signal Word**

Danger

##### **Hazard Statements**

Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled  
Hazardous polymerization may occur



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Keep cool. Protect from sunlight  
 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

#### Response

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor  
 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing  
 Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor  
 Rinse mouth  
 Take off immediately all contaminated clothing  
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

#### Storage

Store locked up  
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

### Other Hazards

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

## 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Malononitrile	109-77-3	>95

## 4. First-aid measures

<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects</b>	. Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media** Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Dry chemical. Chemical foam.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media** No information available

**Flash Point** 112 °C / 233.6 °F

**Method -** No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** 365 °C / 689 °F

### Explosion Limits

**Upper** No data available

**Lower** No data available

**Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact** No information available

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) Carbon monoxide (CO) Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid)

### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

### NFPA

**Health**  
3

**Flammability**  
1

**Instability**  
1

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

### Personal Precautions

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation.

### Environmental Precautions

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

## 7. Handling and storage

### Handling

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe dust. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

### Storage

Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Malononitrile				Ceiling: 10 ppm Ceiling: 11 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin		(Vacated) TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 25 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 3 ppm TWA: 8 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

### Legend

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

### Engineering Measures

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye Protection

Goggles

#### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Nitrile rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	Splash protection only
Neoprene			
Natural rubber			
PVC			

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

### Respiratory Protection

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

**Recommended Filter type:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

### Environmental exposure controls

Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Solid
Appearance	Yellow
Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	3-5 90.9 g/L
Melting Point/Range	30 - 34 °C / 86 - 93.2 °F
Boiling Point/Range	220 °C / 428 °F @ 760 mmHg
Flash Point	112 °C / 233.6 °F
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	1 hPa @ 50 °C
Vapor Density	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	1.040

<b>Solubility</b>	No information available
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	365 °C / 689 °F
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	> 100°C
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C3 H2 N2
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	66.06

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Temperatures above 100°C. Incompatible products. Avoid dust formation.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases, Strong reducing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid)
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization may occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information

#### Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Malononitrile	LD50 = 14 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 = 350 mg/kg ( Rat )	LC50 = 57 ppm ( Rat ) 2 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

#### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

<b>Irritation</b>	May cause eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritation
<b>Sensitization</b>	No information available
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Malononitrile	109-77-3	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** None known

**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Malononitrile	Not listed	LC50: 1.48 - 1.8 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: = 0.57 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 0.51 - 0.61 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas)	Not listed	Not listed

**Persistence and Degradability** Persistence is unlikely

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Malononitrile	-0.5

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Malononitrile - 109-77-3	U149	-

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN-No UN2647  
 Proper Shipping Name MALONONITRILE  
 Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group II

### TDG

UN-No UN2647  
 Proper Shipping Name MALONONITRILE  
 Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group II

### IATA

UN-No UN2647  
 Proper Shipping Name MALONONITRILE  
 Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group II

### IMDG/IMO

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## 15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

#### International Inventories

Component	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Malononitrile	X	-	X	203-703-2	-		X	X	X	X	X

#### Canada

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

### 16. Other information

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