

# Ethanol

## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

<b>Product Identifier</b>	Ethanol
<b>Other Means of Identification</b>	2A alcohol, 2A solvent, DAG-2A
<b>Other Identification</b>	EU EINECS/ELINCS Number: 200-578-6
<b>Restrictions on Use</b>	All others.
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## SECTION 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

### Classification

Flammable liquid - Category 2; Skin irritation - Category 2; Eye irritation - Category 2B; Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) - Category 3

### Label Elements



Signal Word:

Danger

Hazard Statement(s):

Highly flammable liquid and vapour.

Harmful if swallowed.

Causes skin and eye irritation.

May cause respiratory irritation.

May cause damage to organs.

Precautionary Statement(s):

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

Keep away from heat, sparks, open flames, and hot surfaces. – No smoking.

Keep container tightly closed.

If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice or attention.

Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

Use explosion-proof electrical, ventilating, and lighting equipment.

Use only non-sparking tools.

Take action to prevent static discharges.

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.

Continue rinsing.

In case of fire: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion.

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In case of fire: Use appropriate foam, dry chemical powder to extinguish.

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

Dispose of contents/container to

An approved waste disposal plant.

#### Other Hazards

None known.

### SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Name	CAS No.	%	Other Identifiers
Ethanol	64-17-5	85.5	EU EINECS/ELINCS Number: 200-578-6
Methanol	67-56-1	13.7	EU EINECS/ELINCS Number: 200-659-6
Ethyl acetate	141-78-6	0.85	EU EINECS/ELINCS Number: 205-500-4

### SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

#### First-aid Measures

##### Inhalation

Move to fresh air. Artificial respiration should be given if breathing has stopped and cardiopulmonary resuscitation if heart has stopped. Oxygen may be given if necessary. Call a Poison Centre or doctor if you feel unwell.

##### Skin Contact

Immediately wash gently and thoroughly with lukewarm, gently flowing water and mild soap for 15-20 minutes. Take off immediately contaminated clothing, shoes and leather goods (e.g. watchbands, belts). Thoroughly clean clothing, shoes and leather goods before reuse or dispose of safely. If skin irritation occurs, get medical advice or attention.

##### Eye Contact

Immediately rinse the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for 15-20 minutes, while holding the eyelid(s) open. If eye irritation persists, get medical advice or attention.

##### Ingestion

Never give anything by mouth if victim is rapidly losing consciousness or is unconscious or convulsing. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Have victim drink about 250ml (8fl. oz.) of water to dilute material in stomach. If vomiting occurs naturally, have victim lean forward to reduce risk of aspiration. Seek medical assistance immediately.

##### First-aid Comments

Get medical advice or attention if you feel unwell or are concerned.

#### Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

If inhaled and/or swallowed: large amounts symptoms may include headache, nausea, dizziness, drowsiness and confusion. A severe exposure can cause unconsciousness.

#### Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment

##### Target Organs

Liver.

##### Special Instructions

Symptoms of ethanol intoxication vary with the alcohol level of the blood. Mild alcohol intoxication occurs at blood levels between 0.05% - 0.15% and approximately 25% of individuals will show signs of intoxication at these levels. Above 0.15% the person is definitely under the influence of ethanol and 50-95% of individuals at this level are clinically intoxicated. Severe poisoning occurs when the blood ethanol level is 0.3-0.5%. Above 0.05% the individual will be comatose and death can occur. The unabsorbed ethanol should be removed by gastric lavage after intubating the patient to prevent aspiration. Avoid the use of depressant drugs or the excessive administration of fluids. This product contains 13.7% v/v of methanol, a toxic substance having upon ingestion, produced blindness

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and other serious effects on vision, as well as death. However, this product also contains the accepted antidote, ethanol (95.2 v/v). This product also contains ethyl acetate at a concentration of 0.85% volume.

## SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

### Extinguishing Media

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Large fire: Special "alcohol resistant fire-fighting foams". Small fire: Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder or appropriate foam.

#### Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

Water is not effective for extinguishing a fire. It may not cool product below its flash point.

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Product

May travel a considerable distance to a source of ignition and flash back to a leak or open container. In a fire, the following hazardous materials may be generated: very toxic carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide.

### Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-fighters

Knock down vapours or gases with water fog or fine water spray. Dike and recover contaminated water for appropriate disposal.

Fire-fighters may enter the area if positive pressure SCBA and full Bunker Gear is worn.

## SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment, and Emergency Procedures

Evacuate the area immediately. Isolate the hazard area. Keep out unnecessary and unprotected personnel. Use the personal protective equipment recommended in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Increase ventilation to area or move leaking container to a well-ventilated and secure area. Eliminate all ignition sources. Use grounded, explosion-proof equipment.

### Environmental Precautions

Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any waterway.

### Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up

Contain and soak up spill with absorbent that does not react with spilled product. Place used absorbent into suitable, covered, labelled containers for disposal. Contaminated absorbent poses the same hazard as the spilled product.

### Other Information

Contact supplier, local fire and emergency services for help.

## SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for Safe Handling

Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Avoid release to the environment. Electrically bond and ground equipment. Ground clips must contact bare metal. Keep containers tightly closed when not in use or empty. Wear personal protective equipment to avoid direct contact with this chemical. Do NOT smoke in work areas. Wash hands thoroughly after handling this material.

### Conditions for Safe Storage

Store in an area that is: cool, well-ventilated, out of direct sunlight and away from heat and ignition sources, separate from incompatible materials (see Section 10: Stability and Reactivity).

## SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Control Parameters

Chemical Name	ACGIH TLV®		OSHA PEL		AIHA WEEL	
	TWA	STEL	TWA	Ceiling	8-hr TWA	TWA
Ethanol		1000 ppm				

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Methanol	200 ppm	250 ppm	200 ppm			
Ethyl acetate	400 ppm		Not established			

### Appropriate Engineering Controls

Use local exhaust ventilation and enclosure, if necessary, to control amount in the air. Use non-sparking ventilation systems, approved explosion-proof equipment and intrinsically safe electrical systems in areas where this product is used and stored. Provide safety shower in work area, if contact or splash hazard exists.

### Individual Protection Measures

#### Eye/Face Protection

Wear chemical safety goggles and face shield when contact is possible.

#### Skin Protection

Wear chemical protective clothing e.g. gloves, aprons, boots.  
Neoprene rubber, butyl rubber, natural rubber.

#### Respiratory Protection

Wear a NIOSH approved air-purifying respirator with an organic vapour cartridge.

## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

<b>Appearance</b>	Colourless.
<b>Odour</b>	Alcoholic
<b>Odour Threshold</b>	0.1 - 5100 ppm
<b>pH</b>	Not available
<b>Melting Point/Freezing Point</b>	~ -110 °C (-166 °F) (melting); ~ -110 °C (-166 °F) (freezing)
<b>Initial Boiling Point/Range</b>	~ 72 °C (162 °F)
<b>Flash Point</b>	12.5 °C (54.5 °F) (closed cup)
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	1.8 (n-butyl acetate = 1)
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Upper/Lower Flammability or Explosive Limit</b>	36% (upper); 2.2% (Ethanol) (lower)
<b>Vapour Pressure</b>	Not available
<b>Vapour Density (air = 1)</b>	1.53
<b>Relative Density (water = 1)</b>	0.7889 at 20 °C
<b>Solubility</b>	Soluble in all proportions in water; Soluble in all proportions in common organic solvents.
<b>Partition Coefficient, n-Octanol/Water (Log Kow)</b>	~ 0.032
<b>Auto-ignition Temperature</b>	~ 422 °C (792 °F)
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	Not available
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not available (kinematic); Not available (dynamic)
<b>Other Information</b>	
<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	46.07

## SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Reactivity

Not reactive under normal conditions of use.

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### Chemical Stability

Normally stable.

### Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

None expected under normal conditions of storage and use.

### Conditions to Avoid

Open flames, sparks, static discharge, heat and other ignition sources.

### Incompatible Materials

Strong oxidizing agents (e.g. perchloric acid), oxidizing agents (e.g. peroxides), acid anhydrides (e.g. acetic anhydride).

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

Very toxic carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide; very toxic, flammable formaldehyde.

## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Likely Routes of Exposure

Inhalation; skin contact; eye contact; ingestion.

### Acute Toxicity

Chemical Name	LC50	LD50 (oral)	LD50 (dermal)
Ethanol	31623 ppm (rat) (4-hour exposure)	7060 mg/kg (rat)	20000 mg/kg (rabbit)
Methanol	64000 mg/kg (rat) (4-hour exposure)	5600 mg/kg (rat)	15800 mg/kg (rabbit)
Ethyl acetate	10600 ppm (mouse) (4-hour exposure)	10200 ppm (female rat)	> 18000 ppm (rabbit)

### Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Animal tests show very mild irritation.

### Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

Animal tests show serious eye irritation. The vapour also irritates the eyes.

### STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Single Exposure

#### Inhalation

At high concentrations nose and throat irritation, depression of the central nervous system. Symptoms may include headache, nausea, dizziness, drowsiness and confusion.

#### Skin Absorption

Not harmful based on human experience and animal tests.

#### Ingestion

Symptoms may include headache, nausea, dizziness, drowsiness and confusion.

### Aspiration Hazard

May be drawn into the lungs (aspirated) if swallowed or vomited.

### STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Repeated Exposure

Long term repeated oral exposure to ethanol may result in the development of progressive liver injury with fibrosis. Long term exposure to methanol has been associated with headaches, giddiness, conjunctivitis, insomnia and impaired vision. Ethyl acetate is of relatively low toxicity.

### Respiratory and/or Skin Sensitization

Not a skin sensitizer. Not known to be a respiratory sensitizer.

### Carcinogenicity

Conclusions cannot be drawn from the limited studies available. If swallowed: ACGIH®: A3 – Confirmed animal carcinogen.

### Reproductive Toxicity

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**Development of Offspring**

Conclusions cannot be drawn from the limited studies available.

**Sexual Function and Fertility**

Conclusions cannot be drawn from the limited studies available.

**Effects on or via Lactation**

No information was located.

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity**

Not known to be a mutagen.

**Interactive Effects**

Repeated exposure to ethanol may exacerbate liver injury from other causes.

**SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Ecotoxicity**

No information was located.

**Acute Aquatic Toxicity**

Chemical Name	LC50 Fish	EC50 Crustacea	ErC50 Aquatic Plants	ErC50 Algae
Ethanol	> 13400 mg/L (Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow); 96-hour)			
Methanol	15400-29400 mg/L (96-hour)	> 10000 mg/L (Daphnia magna (water flea); 48-hour)		22000 mg/L (Selenastrum capricornutum (algae); 72-hour)
Ethyl acetate	230 mg/L (Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow); 96-hour)	165 mg/L (Daphnia magna (water flea); 48-hour)	5600 mg/L (48-hour)	

**Persistence and Degradability**

Degrades rapidly based on half-life measurements.

**Bioaccumulative Potential**

This product and its degradation products are not expected to bioaccumulate based on the fish bioconcentration factor (BCF).

**Mobility in Soil**

If released into the environment, this product can move rapidly through the soil.

**Other Adverse Effects**

There is no information available.

**SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****Disposal Methods**

Recycle and reuse product, if possible. Bury in a licensed landfill or burn in an approved incinerator according to federal, provincial/state, and local regulations. Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Regulation	UN No.	Proper Shipping Name	Transport Hazard Class(es)	Packing Group
Canadian TDG	1987	ALCOHOLS, N.O.S. (Ethanol)	3	II
IMO (Marine)	1987	ALCOHOLS, N.O.S. (ETHANOL, METHANOL, ETHYL ACETATE)	3	II
IATA (Air)	1987	ALCOHOLS, N.O.S. (ETHANOL, METHANOL, ETHYL ACETATE)	3	II

**Environmental Hazards** Not applicable

**Special Precautions** Not applicable

**Transport in Bulk According to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code**

Not applicable

## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### Safety, Health and Environmental Regulations

#### Canada

**Domestic Substances List (DSL) / Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)**

Listed on the DSL.

**CEPA - National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI)**

(Ethanol) Part 5. (Methanol) Part 1A, Part 5. (Ethyl acetate) Part 5.

#### USA

**Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Section 8(b)**

Listed on the TSCA Inventory.

## SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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Supplier Safety Data Sheets.

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