

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Protocol™ 10% Neutral Buffered Formalin

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Synonyms No information available

Recommended Use In vitro diagnostic.

Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

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

Skin Corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Skin Sensitization	Category 1
Carcinogenicity	Category 1A
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 1
Target Organs - Central nervous system (CNS).	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Kidney, Liver, spleen, Blood.	

Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

Causes skin irritation
May cause an allergic skin reaction

Causes serious eye damage
 May cause drowsiness and dizziness
 May cause cancer
 Causes damage to organs
 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 Obtain special instructions before use
 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
 Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Response

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
 If exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor
 Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor
 Take off contaminated clothing

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

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Water	7732-18-5	> 90
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	3.5 - 4.0
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	1.0 - 2.0
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	7558-80-7	< 1.0
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4	< 1.0

4. First-aid measures

Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
Inhalation	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical attention.

Most important symptoms/effects Causes eye burns. May cause allergic skin reaction. Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media No information available

Flash Point > 93.3 °C / 199.9 °F

Method - No information available

Autoignition Temperature No information available

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
 Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

Hazardous Combustion Products
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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	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
3	1	0	N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

Environmental Precautions Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Remove all sources of ignition. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. Handling and storage

Handling Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

Storage Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
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Formaldehyde	Ceiling: 1 ppm Ceiling: 1.3 mg/m ³ TWA: 0.75 ppm TWA: 0.9 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.3 ppm Ceiling: 1 ppm	STEL: 1 ppm CEV: 1.5 ppm	Ceiling: 2 ppm Ceiling: 3 mg/m ³	TWA: 0.1 ppm STEL: 0.3 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 3 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 10 ppm (Vacated) Ceiling: 5 ppm TWA: 0.75 ppm STEL: 2 ppm	IDLH: 20 ppm TWA: 0.016 ppm Ceiling: 0.1 ppm
Methyl alcohol	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 262 mg/m ³ STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 328 mg/m ³ Skin	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 262 mg/m ³ STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 328 mg/m ³ Skin	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 200 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 260 mg/m ³ (Vacated) STEL: 250 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 325 mg/m ³ Skin TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m ³	IDLH: 6000 ppm TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m ³ STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 325 mg/m ³

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

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

Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

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

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

Hand Protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

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

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

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

Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

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	Liquid
Appearance	Colorless
Odor	Characteristic formaldehyde
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	6.9 - 7.1
Melting Point/Range	No data available
Boiling Point/Range	102 °C / 215.6 °F
Flash Point	> 93.3 °C / 199.9 °F
Evaporation Rate	No information available
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	No information available
Vapor Density	No information available
Specific Gravity	1.0
Solubility	No information available
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	No information available
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	No information available

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Heat, flames and sparks.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Product Information	No acute toxicity information is available for this product
Oral LD50	Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.
Dermal LD50	Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.
Vapor LC50	Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 20 mg/l.

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Water	-	Not listed	Not listed
Formaldehyde	500 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 270 mg/kg (Rabbit)	0.578 mg/L (Rat) 4 h
Methyl alcohol	Calc. ATE 60 mg/kg LD50 > 1187 – 2769 mg/kg (Rat)	Calc. ATE 60 mg/kg LD50 = 17100 mg/kg (Rabbit)	Calc. ATE 0.6 mg/L (vapours) or 0.5 mg/L (mists) LC50 = 128.2 mg/L (Rat) 4 h
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	LD50 = 8290 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 > 7940 mg/kg (Rabbit)	Not listed
Sodium phosphate dibasic	LD50 = 17 g/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed

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Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

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

Irritation Risk of serious damage to eyes Irritating to respiratory system and skin

Sensitization May cause sensitization by skin contact

Carcinogenicity The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Water	7732-18-5	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	Group 1	Known	A1	X	A2
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	7558-80-7	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

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Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans

NTP: (National Toxicity Program)

Known - Known Carcinogen

Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen

A1 - Known Human Carcinogen

A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen

A3 - Animal Carcinogen

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)

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Mutagenic Effects Mutagenic effects have occurred in humans.

Reproductive Effects Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.

Developmental Effects Developmental effects have occurred in experimental animals. Component substance is listed on California Proposition 65 as a developmental hazard.

Teratogenicity Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

STOT - single exposure Central nervous system (CNS)

STOT - repeated exposure Kidney Liver spleen Blood

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

Other Adverse Effects See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Formaldehyde	Not listed	Leuciscus idus: LC50 = 15 mg/L 96h	Not listed	EC50 = 20 mg/L 96h EC50 = 2 mg/L 48h
Methyl alcohol	Not listed	Pimephales promelas: LC50 > 10000 mg/L 96h	EC50 = 39000 mg/L 25 min EC50 = 40000 mg/L 15 min EC50 = 43000 mg/L 5 min	EC50 > 10000 mg/L 24h

Persistence and Degradability No information available

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility

Component	log Pow
Formaldehyde	-0.35
Methyl alcohol	-0.74

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
Formaldehyde - 50-00-0	U122	-
Methyl alcohol - 67-56-1	U154	-

14. Transport information

DOT Not regulated
TDG Not regulated
IATA Not regulated
IMDG/IMO Not regulated

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Water	X	-	X	231-791-2	-		X	-	X	X	KE-3540 0
Formaldehyde	X	-	X	200-001-8	-		X	X	X	X	KE-1707 4
Methyl alcohol	X	-	X	200-659-6	-		X	X	X	X	KE-2319 3
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	X	-	X	231-449-2	-		X	X	X	X	KE-3157 7
Sodium phosphate dibasic	X	-	X	231-448-7	-		X	X	X	X	KE-1234 4

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)).

Component	Canada - National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI)	Canadian Environmental Protection Agency (CEPA) - List of Toxic Substances	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)
Formaldehyde	Part 1, Group A Substance Part 5, Individual Substances Part 4 Substance	Schedule I	
Methyl alcohol	Part 1, Group A Substance Part 5, Individual Substances Part 4 Substance		

16. Other information

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