Material Safety Data Sheet

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name **10% Neutral Buffered Formalin**

Cat No. **5701, 5705, 5705EXL, 5725, 5755, 9400-1, 9400-5, 9400-55, 51201, 51401, 51401 PL, 51601, 51601 PL, 51901, 53151, 53301, 53601, 53901, 56201, 56401, 56601, 56901, 59201, 59401, 59401PMC, 59601, 59601PMC, 59901, 511201, 531201, 531801, 534801, 561201, 591201, 591201PMC, 591801, 594801, 599601, 5912001, C4320-7.5B, C4320-15B, C4320-60B, C4320-90B, C4320-101, C4320-105, C4320-180B, C4320-450B, LC-0015, LC-0020, LC-0040, LC-0060, LC-0090, LC-0120, RBH-0180-S**

Synonyms No information available.

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

WARNING!

Emergency Overview

Cancer hazard. May cause an allergic skin reaction. May cause skin, eye, and respiratory tract irritation. The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

Appearance Clear Colorless **Physical State** Liquid **odor** Characteristic formaldehyde

Target Organs Skin, Liver, Kidney, spleen, Blood

Potential Health Effects

Acute Effects
Principle Routes of Exposure

Eyes	May cause irritation.
Skin	May produce an allergic reaction. May cause irritation. May be harmful in contact with skin.
Inhalation	May cause irritation of respiratory tract. May be harmful if inhaled.
Ingestion	Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. May be harmful if swallowed.

Chronic Effects May cause cancer. Tumorigenic effects have been reported in experimental animals.. Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals. May cause adverse liver effects. May cause adverse kidney effects.

See Section 11 for additional Toxicological information.

Aggravated Medical Conditions Central nervous system disorders. Gastrointestinal tract. Preexisting eye disorders. Skin disorders.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Haz/Non-haz

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Water	7732-18-5	94 - 95
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	3.5 - 4
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	1.2
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4	< 1
Sodium acid phosphate	7558-80-7	< 1

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Obtain 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.

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

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

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

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media No information available.

Hazardous Combustion Products No information 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.

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** 2 **Flammability** 1 **Instability** 0 **Physical hazards** N/A

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

Environmental Precautions Should not be released into the environment.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable and closed containers for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

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

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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.

Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Formaldehyde	Ceiling: 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 STEL: 250 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 200 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 260 mg/m^3 (Vacated) STEL: 325 mg/m^3 (Vacated) STEL: 250 ppm 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

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWAEV
Formaldehyde	Ceiling: 3 mg/m^3 Ceiling: 2 ppm	Peak: 3 mg/m^3 Peak: 2 ppm	STEL: 1.0 ppm CEV: 1.5 ppm

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWAEV
Methyl alcohol	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 262 mg/m^3 STEL: 328 mg/m^3 STEL: 250 ppm Skin	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m^3 STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 310 mg/m^3	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m^3 STEL: 325 mg/m^3 STEL: 250 ppm Skin

NIOSH IDLH: *Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health*

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/face 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.

Skin and body protection Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respiratory Protection 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.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State	Liquid
Appearance	Clear Colorless
odor	Characteristic formaldehyde
Odor Threshold	No information available.
pH	7
Vapor Pressure	No information available.
Vapor Density	No information available.
Viscosity	No information available.
Boiling Point/Range	Not applicable
Melting Point/Range	No information available.
Decomposition temperature °C	No information available.
Flash Point	> 93.3°C / 199.9°F
Evaporation Rate	No information available.
Specific Gravity	No information available.
Solubility	No information available.
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Molecular Formula	Solution

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Heat, flames and sparks.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Formaldehyde, Methanol, Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO_2)
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

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Water	90 mL/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed
Formaldehyde	500 mg/kg (Rat)	Not listed	0.578 mg/L (Rat) 4 h
Methyl alcohol	5628 mg/kg (Rat)	15800 mg/kg (Rabbit)	64000 ppm (Rat) 4 h 83.2 mg/L (Rat) 4 h
Sodium phosphate dibasic	17 g/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed
Sodium acid phosphate	8290 mg/kg (Rat)	7940 mg/kg (Rabbit)	Not listed

Irritation No information available.

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available.

Chronic Toxicity

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

Component	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA	Mexico
Formaldehyde	A2	Group 1	Reasonably Anticipated	X	Not listed

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)
A1 - Known Human Carcinogen
A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen
A3 - Animal Carcinogen
ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)
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)
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Known - Known Carcinogen
Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen

Sensitization May cause sensitization by skin contact

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.

Teratogenicity Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals..

Other Adverse Effects Tumorigenic effects have been reported in experimental animals.. The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

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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
Water	-1.87
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

UN-No UN3334
Proper Shipping Name AVIATION REGULATED LIQUID, N.O.S.
Hazard Class 9
Packing Group III

IMDG/IMO Not regulated

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	CHINA	KECL
Water	X	X	-	231-791-2	-		X	-	X	X	KE-35400 X
Formaldehyde	X	X	-	200-001-8	-		X	X	X	X	KE-17074 X
Methyl alcohol	X	X	-	200-659-6	-		X	X	X	X	KE-23193 X
Sodium phosphate dibasic	X	X	-	231-448-7	-		X	X	X	X	KE-12344 X
Sodium acid phosphate	X	X	-	231-449-2	-		X	X	X	X	KE-31577 X

Legend:
X - Listed
E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.
F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.
N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.
P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance
R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.
S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule
T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.
XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B).
Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.
Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313

Component	CAS-No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	3.5 - 4	0.1
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	1.2	1.0

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization
Acute Health Hazard No

Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

Clean Water Act

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Formaldehyde	X	100 lb	-	-
Sodium phosphate dibasic	X	5000 lb	-	-

Clean Air Act

Component	HAPS Data	Class 1 Ozone Depletors	Class 2 Ozone Depletors
Formaldehyde	X		-
Methyl alcohol	X		-

OSHA

Component	Specifically Regulated Chemicals	Highly Hazardous Chemicals
Formaldehyde	0.5 ppm Action Level 0.75 ppm TWA 2 ppm STEL	TQ: 1000 lb

CERCLA

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Formaldehyde	100 lb	100 lb
Methyl alcohol	5000 lb	-
Sodium phosphate dibasic	5000 lb	-

California Proposition 65

This product contains the following Proposition 65 chemicals:

Component	CAS-No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	Carcinogen	40 µg/day

State Right-to-Know

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Formaldehyde	X	X	X	X	X
Methyl alcohol	X	X	X	X	X
Sodium phosphate dibasic	X	X	X	-	-

U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ):	Y
DOT Marine Pollutant	N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

This product contains the following DHS chemicals:

Component	DHS Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standard
Formaldehyde	11250 lb STQ (solution)
Sodium acid phosphate	2000 lb STQ

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade Slight risk, Grade 1

Canada

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

WHMIS Hazard Class
D2A Very toxic materials
D2B Toxic materials

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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End of MSDS