

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : 2-Butanone  
  
Product Number : 443468  
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich  
Index-No. : 606-002-00-3  
CAS-No. : 78-93-3

**1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24  
Hours/day; 7 Days/week

**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**

Flammable liquids (Category 2), H225  
Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Central nervous system, H336  
For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

**2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements**

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)	
H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapor.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H336	May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
Precautionary statement(s)	
P210	Keep away from heat/ sparks/ open flames/ hot surfaces. No smoking.
P233	Keep container tightly closed.
P240	Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
P241	Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.
P242	Use only non-sparking tools.
P243	Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P261	Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapors/ spray.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340 + P312	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P403 + P235	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Methyl ethyl ketone  
MEK  
Ethyl methyl ketone

Formula : C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O  
Molecular weight : 72.11 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 78-93-3  
EC-No. : 201-159-0  
Index-No. : 606-002-00-3

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Ethyl Methyl Ketone</b>		
	Flam. Liq. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; STOT SE 3; H225, H319, H336	<= 100 %

	Concentration limits: 20 %: STOT SE 3, H336;	
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For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

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## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### **General advice**

Consult a physician. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### **If inhaled**

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### **In case of skin contact**

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### **In case of eye contact**

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

#### **If swallowed**

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

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## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### **Suitable extinguishing media**

Dry powder Dry sand

#### **Unsuitable extinguishing media**

Do NOT use water jet.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Carbon oxides

Flash back possible over considerable distance., Container explosion may occur under fire conditions.

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

### 5.4 Further information

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapors accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapors can accumulate in low areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Contain spillage, and then collect with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and place in container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13).

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

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## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

#### Advice on safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapor or mist.

#### Advice on protection against fire and explosion

Use explosion-proof equipment. **Advice on protection against fire and explosion**

Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

#### Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

For precautions see section 2.2.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

#### Storage conditions

Store under inert gas. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Hygroscopic.

#### Storage class

Storage class (TRGS 510): 3: Flammable liquids

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Ethyl Methyl Ketone	78-93-3	TWA	200 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		STEL	300 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		ST	300 ppm 885 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		STEL	300 ppm 885 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		PEL	200 ppm 590 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		STEL	300 ppm 885 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)

#### Biological occupational exposure limits

Component	CAS-No.	Parameters	Value	Biological specimen	Basis
Ethyl Methyl Ketone	78-93-3	methyl ethyl ketone	2 mg/l	Urine	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)
	Remarks	End of shift (As soon as possible after exposure ceases)			

## 8.2 Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Splash contact  
Material: butyl-rubber  
Minimum layer thickness: 0.3 mm  
Break through time: 292 min  
Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 897 / Aldrich Z677647, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the EC approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

### **Body Protection**

Impervious clothing, Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing., The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

### **Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### **Control of environmental exposure**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

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## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

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|---|---|
| a) Appearance                                   | Form: liquid, clear<br>Color: colorless                             |
| b) Odor   | No data available   |
| c) Odor Threshold                               | No data available   |
| d) pH   | No data available   |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | -87 °C (-125 °F)  |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | 80 °C 176 °F - lit.   |
| g) Flash point                                  | -3 °C (27 °F) - closed cup  |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | No data available   |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | No data available   |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | Upper explosion limit: 10.1 %(V)<br>Lower explosion limit: 1.8 %(V) |
| k) Vapor pressure                               | 95 hPa at 20 °C (68 °F)   |

l) Vapor density	2.49 - (Air = 1.0)
m) Density	0.805 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F) - lit.
Relative density	No data available
n) Water solubility	soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 0.29
p) Autoignition temperature	No data available
q) Decomposition temperature	No data available
r) Viscosity	No data available
s) Explosive properties	No data available
t) Oxidizing properties	No data available

## 9.2 Other safety information

Surface tension	24.6 mN/m at 20 °C (68 °F)
Relative vapor density	2.49 - (Air = 1.0)

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Vapors may form explosive mixture with air.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Exposure to moisture.  
Heat, flames and sparks.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Oxidizing agents, Strong reducing agents

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 2,193 mg/kg  
(OECD Test Guideline 423)

LC50 Inhalation - Mouse - 4 h - 32,000 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Remarks: (RTECS)

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - 6,480 mg/kg

Remarks: (RTECS)

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation - 4 h

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Severe irritations

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

Remarks: (Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, Annex VI)

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

Buehler Test - Guinea pig

Result: negative

(OECD Test Guideline 406)

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: *S. typhimurium*

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Test Type: Mutagenicity (mammal cell test): chromosome aberration.

Test system: rat hepatocytes

Method: OECD Test Guideline 473

Result: negative

Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test

Test system: mouse lymphoma cells

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 476

Result: negative

Test Type: Micronucleus test

Species: Mouse

Cell type: Bone marrow

Application Route: Intraperitoneal

Method: OECD Test Guideline 474

Result: negative

#### Carcinogenicity

IARC: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

NTP: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is



identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

**Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**11.2 Additional Information**

RTECS: EL6475000

Central nervous system depression, Gastrointestinal disturbance, narcosis

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

**12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish	static test LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 2,993 mg/l - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 308 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202)
Toxicity to algae	static test ErC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata - 1,972 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201)

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability	aerobic - Exposure time 28 d Result: 98 % - Readily biodegradable. (OECD Test Guideline 301D)
Theoretical oxygen demand	2,440 mg/g Remarks: (Lit.)
Ratio BOD/ThBOD	76 % Remarks: (IUCLID)

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

No data available

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## 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

## 12.6 Other adverse effects

No data available

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Product

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

### DOT (US)

UN number: 1193    Class: 3    Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Ethyl methyl ketone  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 5000 lbs  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 5000 lbs  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 100 lbs  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 1193    Class: 3    Packing group: II    EMS-No: F-E, S-D  
Proper shipping name: ETHYL METHYL KETONE

### IATA

UN number: 1193    Class: 3    Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Ethyl methyl ketone

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## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### SARA 302 Components

This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

### SARA 313 Components

This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

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**Reportable Quantity**    D035 lbs

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

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**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

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**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

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**SECTION 16: Other information****Further information**

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