
1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name	Methyl t-butyl ether
Grade	ACS, HPLC, Anapremium, Pesticide
Synonyms	tert-Butyl methyl ether, Methyl tertiary-butyl ether, Methyl tert-butyl ether, MTBE, tBME, 2-Methoxy-2-methylpropane
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2. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

CAS-No.	1634-04-4
Index-No.	603-181-00-X
Ec-No.	216-653-1
Concentration	> 95 %

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Overview Highly flammable, Cause skin irritation.

EC Classification

F	R11
Xi	R38
R -phrase(s)	
R12	Highly flammable
R38	Irritating to skin

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation	If breathed in, move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician immediately.
Skin Contact	Immediately wash off with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Consult a physician.
Eye Contact	Rinse through with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Consult a physician.
Note to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	Use dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Specific hazards during fire fighting	Combustible material. Container may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air at ambient temperature and vapors may flash back.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fighting if necessary.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions	Use personal protective clothing and ventilation equipments. Avoid breath in vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation.
Environmental precautions	Do not release into drains.
Methods for cleaning up	Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose in suitable, closed containers.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling	Wear personal protective equipments. Avoid breath in vapors, mist or gas. Avoid contact with skin and eye. Keep away from hot surface, open fire and any sources of ignition. Take measures against electrostatic charge.
Storage	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from source of ignition.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/ PERSONAL PROTECTION

Occupational exposure controls

Engineering Measures	Ensure that eye washer and emergency showers are close to the work place. Ensure adequate ventilation. Work under hood.
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Personal protective Equipment

Respiratory protection	Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU)
Hand protection	Wear appropriate protective gloves.
Eye protection	Tightly fitting safety glasses.
Skin and body protection	Protective clothes should be selected specifically for the work place according to concentration and quantity of the chemical handled.
Hygiene Measures	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands and face before breaks and at the end of working day.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Form	Liquid
Color	Colorless
pH	No data available
Oxidizing properties	No data available
Melting point	-110 °C (-166 °F)
Boiling point	54-56 °C (129.2-132.8 °F)

Flash point	-28 °C (-18.4 °F)
Lower explosion limit	1.6 % (V)
Upper explosion limit	8.4 % (V)
Vapor pressure	268 hPa at 20 °C
Density	0.74 g/mL at 25 °C
Water solubility	51 g/l (20 °C)
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/ water	log Pow: 1.06

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Storage stability	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Conditions to avoid	Sources of ignition. Excess heat.
Materials to avoid	Strong oxidizing agents.
Hazardous decomposition products	Carbon monoxide, Carbon dioxide.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity	LD50 Oral 4,000 mg/kg (Rat)
	LD50 Dermal 2,000 mg/kg (Rabbit)
	LC50 Inhalation 23576 ppm (Rat) 4 h
Skin irritation	Skin irritation (Rabbit)
Eye irritation	No eye irritation (Rabbit)
Sensitization	No data available
Symptoms of Exposure	Nausea, Vomiting, Drowsiness, Dizziness
Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure (GHS)	No data available
Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure (GHS)	No data available

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Persistence and degradability	No available information
Ecotoxicity	
Toxicity to fish	LC50 672 mg/l (Fathead minnow) 96 h
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	EC50 651 mg/l (Daphnia magna) 48 h
Mobility	No available information

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product	Chemical should be disposed of in accordance with local environmental regulations. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this chemical.
Packaging	Empty containers should be disposed of in accordance with local environmental regulations and taken for local recycling, recovery or waste disposal.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

IATA

UN-Number: 2398 Class: 3

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Methyl butyl ether

IMDG

UN-Number: 2398 Class: 3

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Methyl butyl ether

EMS-No. F-E, S-D

DOT (US)

UN-Number: 2398 Class: 3

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Methyl butyl ether

Marine pollution: No

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Hazard statements

H225: Highly flammable liquid and vapor

H315: Cause skin irritation

Precautionary statements

P210: Keep away from heat/spark/open flames/hot surface.

P302 + P352: If on skin: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

OSHA Hazards

Flammable liquid, Irritant.

DSL Status

All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL list.

GHS-Labeling

Pictogram



Signal word *Danger*

Labeling according to EC Directive

Symbol(s): F- Highly flammable Xi- Irritant

R-phrase(s): 11-38

Highly flammable. Irritating to skin.

S-phrase(s): 9-16-24

Keep container in a well-ventilated place. Keep away from source of ignition. Avoid contact with skin.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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