# 2-Methylbutane

# sc-238147

**Material Safety Data Sheet** 



Hazard Alert Code Key: EXTREME HIGH MODERATE LOW

# **Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

# **PRODUCT NAME**

2-Methylbutane

# STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

CONSIDERED A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCORDING TO OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.



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# **PRODUCT USE**

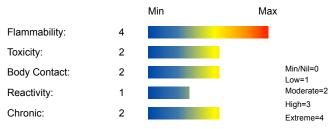
Used as a solvent; in the manufacture of chlorinated derivatives; as a blowing agent for polystyrene. [Hawley]

## **SYNONYMS**

C5-H12, (CH3)2-CH-CH2-CH3, ethyldimethylmethane, isoamylhydride, "butane, 2-methyl-", "pentane, iso-", "Exxon Manufacturer' s Code 11460"

# **Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

# **CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS**









# **CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS**







#### **EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

#### RISK

HARMFUL - May cause lung damage if swallowed.

Extremely flammable.

Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness and cracking.

Vapors may cause dizziness or suffocation.

Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

## **POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS**

#### **ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS**

#### **SWALLOWED**

- Swallowing of the liquid may cause aspiration into the lungs with the risk of chemical pneumonitis; serious consequences may result. (ICSC13733).
- Accidental ingestion of the material may be damaging to the health of the individual.
- Ingestion of pentanes may result in diarrhoea, haemorrhage of the mucous membranes, or when the liquid vapourises in the trachea, asphyxiation leading to brain damage or death. Ingestion may also cause nausea, vomiting and abdominal swelling. Large doses (1 ml/kg) may cause central nervous system depression, ventricular fibrillation and kidney, liver and bone marrow damage.
- Considered an unlikely route of entry in commercial/industrial environments. The liquid may produce gastrointestinal discomfort and may be harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may result in nausea, pain and vomiting. Vomit entering the lungs by aspiration may cause potentially lethal chemical pneumonitis.

#### EYE

- Although the liquid is not thought to be an irritant, direct contact with the eye may produce transient discomfort characterized by tearing or conjunctival redness (as with windburn).
- Eye-contact with the liquid pentanes may result in inflammation of the iris and mucous membranes resulting in pain and lachrymation. Eye contact with liquid or very high vapour concentrations may result in drying, redness, swelling and pain.

#### SKIN

- The liquid may be miscible with fats or oils and may degrease the skin, producing a skin reaction described as non-allergic contact dermatitis. The material is unlikely to produce an irritant dermatitis as described in EC Directives .
- Repeated exposure may cause skin cracking, flaking or drying following normal handling and use.
- Symptoms of pentane exposure may include drying, cracking, itching, blistering, redness, pigmentation, swelling, burning and pain. Because pentane boils just below body temperature, absorption is not expected to be a significant route of entry. Toluene by comparison is absorbed through the skin at 20 times the rate of n-pentane.
- Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material.
- Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

# INHALED

- Inhalation of vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness. This may be accompanied by narcosis, reduced alertness, loss of reflexes, lack of coordination and vertigo.
- There is some evidence to suggest that the material can cause respiratory irritation in some persons. The body's response to such irritation can cause further lung damage.
- Inhalation of high concentrations of gas/vapor causes lung irritation with coughing and nausea, central nervous depression with headache and dizziness, slowing of reflexes, fatigue and inco-ordination.
- Central nervous system (CNS) depression may include general discomfort, symptoms of giddiness, headache, dizziness, nausea, anaesthetic effects, slowed reaction time, slurred speech and may progress to unconsciousness. Serious poisonings may result in respiratory depression and may be fatal.
- Symptoms of pentane inhalation exposure may include, hyperactivity, anaesthesia and a persistent taste of gasoline. Light anaesthesia occurs in mice after 10 minutes exposure to 70000 ppm n-pentane.

Inhalation of high vapour concentrations may result in coughing, headache, mild depression, incoordination, blurred vision, confusion, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, irregular heartbeat and unconsciousness.

Concentrations of 270 to 400 mg/l isopentane may cause narcosis and cardiac sensitisation .

- Material is highly volatile and may quickly form a concentrated atmosphere in confined or unventilated areas. Vapor is heavier than air and may displace and replace air in breathing zone, acting as a simple asphyxiant. This may happen with little warning of overexposure.
- Inhalation of aerosols (mists, fumes), generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may be damaging to the health of the individual.

# **CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS**

■ Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause drying with cracking,irritation and possible dermatitis following.

Limited evidence suggests that repeated or long-term occupational exposure may produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical systems.

Chronic exposure to pentanes may result in chemical pneumonitis, pulmonary oedema or peripheral neuropathy. Prolonged or repeated inhalation may cause dizziness, weakness, weight loss, anaemia, nervousness, pain in the limbs and peripheral numbness ("pins and needles").

# Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME	CAS RN	%
isopentane	78-78-4	> 95

#### **Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES**

# **SWALLOWED**

- -
- If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting.
- If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.
- Observe the patient carefully.
- · Never give liquid to a person showing signs of being sleepy or with reduced awareness; i.e. becoming unconscious.
- Give water to rinse out mouth, then provide liquid slowly and as much as casualty can comfortably drink.
- Seek medical advice.
- Avoid giving milk or oils.
- Avoid giving alcohol.
- If spontaneous vomiting appears imminent or occurs, hold patient's head down, lower than their hips to help avoid possible aspiration of vomitus.

#### **EYE**

- If this product comes in contact with the eyes:
- Wash out immediately with fresh running water.
- Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
- If pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.
- Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

#### SKIN

- If skin or hair contact occurs:
- Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).
- · Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

#### INHALED

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- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
- Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.
- Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.
- Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained.
   Perform CPR if necessary.
- Transport to hospital, or doctor.

# **NOTES TO PHYSICIAN**

■ Any material aspirated during vomiting may produce lung injury. Therefore emesis should not be induced mechanically or pharmacologically. Mechanical means should be used if it is considered necessary to evacuate the stomach contents; these include gastric lavage after endotracheal intubation. If spontaneous vomiting has occurred after ingestion, the patient should be monitored for difficult breathing, as adverse effects of aspiration into the lungs may be delayed up to 48 hours.

For acute or short term repeated exposures to petroleum distillates or related hydrocarbons:

- Primary threat to life, from pure petroleum distillate ingestion and/or inhalation, is respiratory failure.
- Patients should be quickly evaluated for signs of respiratory distress (e.g. cyanosis, tachypnea, intercostal retraction, obtundation) and given oxygen. Patients with inadequate tidal volumes or poor arterial blood gases (pO2 50 mm Hg) should be intubated.
- Arrhythmias complicate some hydrocarbon ingestion and/or inhalation and electrocardiographic evidence of myocardial injury has been
  reported; intravenous lines and cardiac monitors should be established in obviously symptomatic patients. The lungs excrete inhaled
  solvents, so that hyperventilation improves clearance
- A chest x-ray should be taken immediately after stabilization of breathing and circulation to document aspiration and detect the presence of pneumothorax.
- Epinephrine (adrenalin) is not recommended for treatment of bronchospasm because of potential myocardial sensitization to catecholamines. Inhaled cardioselective bronchodilators (e.g. Alupent, Salbutamol) are the preferred agents, with aminophylline a second choice
- Lavage is indicated in patients who require decontamination; ensure use of cuffed endotracheal tube in adult patients. [Ellenhorn and Barceloux: Medical Toxicology].

	Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES
Vapor Pressure (mmHg):	594.799 @ 21.1 C
Upper Explosive Limit (%):	8.3
Specific Gravity (water=1):	0.62 @ 20/4

#### **EXTINGUISHING MEDIA**

- Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide.
- · Water spray or fog Large fires only.

#### **FIRE FIGHTING**

- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- May be violently or explosively reactive.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- Consider evacuation (or protect in place).
- Fight fire from a safe distance, with adequate cover.
- If safe, switch off electrical equipment until vapor fire hazard removed.
- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control the fire and cool adjacent area.
- Avoid spraying water onto liquid pools.
- DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.
- Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protective location.
- If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.

#### GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS

- Liquid and vapor are highly flammable.
- Severe fire hazard when exposed to heat, flame and/or oxidizers.
- Vapor forms an explosive mixture with air.
- Severe explosion hazard, in the form of vapor, when exposed to flame or spark.
- Vapor may travel a considerable distance to source of ignition.
- Heating may cause expansion / decomposition with violent rupture of containers.
- On combustion, may emit toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO)

Combustion products include: carbon dioxide (CO2), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.

Contains low boiling substance: Closed containers may rupture due to pressure buildup under fire conditions.

# FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

■ Avoid contamination with oxidizing agents i.e. nitrates, oxidizing acids,chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

## PERSONAL PROTECTION

Glasses:

Chemical goggles.

Gloves:

Respirator:

Type AX Filter of sufficient capacity

## **Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

# MINOR SPILLS

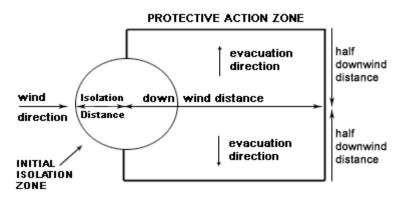
- Remove all ignition sources.
- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing vapors and contact with skin and eyes.
- Control personal contact by using protective equipment.
- Contain and absorb small quantities with vermiculite or other absorbent material.
- Wipe up.
- Collect residues in a flammable waste container.

## **MAJOR SPILLS**

- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- May be violently or explosively reactive.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- Consider evacuation (or protect in place).
- No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- Increase ventilation.
- Stop leak if safe to do so.
- Water spray or fog may be used to disperse / absorb vapor.
- Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.

- Use only spark-free shovels and explosion proof equipment.
- Collect recoverable product into labeled containers for recycling.
- Absorb remaining product with sand, earth or vermiculite.
- Collect solid residues and seal in labeled drums for disposal.
- Wash area and prevent runoff into drains.
- If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise emergency services.

## PROTECTIVE ACTIONS FOR SPILL



From IERG (Canada/Australia)
Isolation Distance 25 meters
Downwind Protection Distance 300 meters

From US Emergency Response Guide 2000 Guide 128

#### **FOOTNOTES**

1 PROTECTIVE ACTION ZONE is defined as the area in which people are at risk of harmful exposure. This zone assumes that random changes in wind direction confines the vapour plume to an area within 30 degrees on either side of the predominant wind direction, resulting in a crosswind protective action distance equal to the downwind protective action distance.

2 PROTECTIVE ACTIONS should be initiated to the extent possible, beginning with those closest to the spill and working away from the site in the downwind direction. Within the protective action zone a level of vapour concentration may exist resulting in nearly all unprotected persons becoming incapacitated and unable to take protective action and/or incurring serious or irreversible health effects.

3 INITIAL ISOLATION ZONE is determined as an area, including upwind of the incident, within which a high probability of localised wind reversal may expose nearly all persons without appropriate protection to life-threatening concentrations of the material.

4 SMALL SPILLS involve a leaking package of 200 litres (55 US gallons) or less, such as a drum (jerrican or box with inner containers). Larger packages leaking less than 200 litres and compressed gas leaking from a small cylinder are also considered "small spills". LARGE SPILLS involve many small leaking packages or a leaking package of greater than 200 litres, such as a cargo tank, portable tank or a "one-tonne" compressed gas cylinder.

5 Guide 128 is taken from the US DOT emergency response guide book.

6 IERG information is derived from CANUTEC - Transport Canada.

# ACUTE EXPOSURE GUIDELINE LEVELS (AEGL) (in ppm)

AEGL 1: The airborne concentration of a substance above which it is predicted that the general population, including susceptible individuals, could experience notable discomfort, irritation, or certain asymptomatic nonsensory effects. However, the effects are not disabling and are transient and reversible upon cessation of exposure.

AEGL 2: The airborne concentration of a substance above which it is predicted that the general population, including susceptible individuals, could experience irreversible or other serious, long-lasting adverse health effects or an impaired ability to escape.

AEGL 3: The airborne concentration of a substance above which it is predicted that the general population, including susceptible individuals, could experience life-threatening health effects or death.

# **Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

#### PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

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- Containers, even those that have been emptied, may contain explosive vapors.
- Do NOT cut, drill, grind, weld or perform similar operations on or near containers.

Contains low boiling substance:

Storage in sealed containers may result in pressure buildup causing violent rupture of containers not rated appropriately.

- · Check for bulging containers.
- Vent periodically
- Always release caps or seals slowly to ensure slow dissipation of vapors
- Electrostatic discharge may be generated during pumping this may result in fire.
- Ensure electrical continuity by bonding and grounding (earthing) all equipment.
- Restrict line velocity during pumping in order to avoid generation of electrostatic discharge (<=1 m/sec until fill pipe submerged to twice its</li>

diameter, then <= 7 m/sec).

- Avoid splash filling.
- Do NOT use compressed air for filling discharging or handling operations.
- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.
- DO NOT enter confined spaces until atmosphere has been checked.
- Avoid smoking, naked lights, heat or ignition sources.
- When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- Vapor may ignite on pumping or pouring due to static electricity.
- DO NOT use plastic buckets.
- Earth and secure metal containers when dispensing or pouring product.
- Use spark-free tools when handling.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- Avoid physical damage to containers.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Work clothes should be laundered separately.
- Use good occupational work practice.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.
- Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions.

# RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS

■ Glass container.

Packing as supplied by manufacturer. Plastic containers may only be used if approved for flammable liquid. Check that containers are clearly labeled and free from leaks.

- For low viscosity materials (i): Drums and jerricans must be of the non-removable head type. (ii): Where a can is to be used as an inner package, the can must have a screwed enclosure.
- For materials with a viscosity of at least 2680 cSt. (23 deg. C)
- For manufactured product having a viscosity of at least 250 cSt. (23 deg. C)
- Manufactured product that requires stirring before use and having a viscosity of at least 20 cSt (23 deg. C) (i): Removable head
  packaging; (ii): Cans with friction closures and (iii): low pressure tubes and cartridges may be used.
- Where combination packages are used, and the inner packages are of glass, there must be sufficient inert cushioning material in contact with inner and outer packages
- In addition, where inner packagings are glass and contain liquids of packing group I there must be sufficient inert absorbent to absorb any spillage, unless the outer packaging is a close fitting molded plastic box and the substances are not incompatible with the plastic.

## STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- •
- Store in original containers in approved flame-proof area.
- No smoking, naked lights, heat or ignition sources.
- DO NOT store in pits, depressions, basements or areas where vapors may be trapped.
- · Keep containers securely sealed.
- Store away from incompatible materials in a cool, dry well ventilated area.
- Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

#### SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS



- X: Must not be stored together
- O: May be stored together with specific preventions
- +: May be stored together

# Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

# **EXPOSURE CONTROLS**

**ENDOELTABLE** 

Source	Material	TWA ppm	TWA mg/m³	STEL ppm	STEL mg/m³	Notes

US ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)	isopentane (Isopentane)	600				TLV Basis: peripheral neuropathy
Canada - Prince Edward Island Occupational Exposure Limits	isopentane (Isopentane)	600				TLV Basis: peripheral neuropathy
Canada - Nova Scotia Occupational Exposure Limits	isopentane (Isopentane)	600				TLV Basis: peripheral neuropathy
Canada - Alberta Occupational Exposure Limits	isopentane (Kerosene/Jet fuels, as total hydrocarbon vapour)		200			
Canada - Ontario Occupational Exposure Limits	isopentane (Diesel fuel, as total hydrocarbons, vapour and aerosol)		100			Skin
Canada - Saskatchewan Occupational Health and Safety Regulations - Contamination Limits	isopentane (Diesel fuel as total hydrocarbons, (vapour))		100		150	Skin
Canada - Alberta Occupational Exposure Limits	isopentane (Diesel fuel, as total hydrocarbons)		100			
US - Minnesota Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs)	isopentane (Pentane)	600	1800	750	2250	
Canada - Ontario Occupational Exposure Limits	isopentane (Pentane)	600	1,770	750	2,210	
Canada - British Columbia Occupational Exposure Limits	isopentane (Pentane, all isomers)	600				
US - Vermont Permissible Exposure Limits Table Z-1-A Final Rule Limits for Air Contaminants	isopentane (Pentane)	600	1800	750	2250	
US - Vermont Permissible Exposure Limits Table Z-1-A Transitional Limits for Air Contaminants	isopentane (Pentane)	1000	2950			
US - Idaho - Limits for Air Contaminants	isopentane (Pentane)	1000	2950			
US - Alaska Limits for Air Contaminants	isopentane (Pentane)	600	1800	750	2250	
Canada - Saskatchewan Occupational Health and Safety Regulations - Contamination Limits	isopentane (Pentane, all isomers)	600		750		
Canada - Yukon Permissible Concentrations for Airborne Contaminant Substances	isopentane (Pentane)	600	1,800	750	2,250	
Canada - Alberta Occupational Exposure Limits	isopentane (Pentane, all isomers)	600	1770			
US - Wyoming Toxic and Hazardous Substances Table Z1 Limits for Air Contaminants	isopentane (Pentane)	1000	2950			
$\label{eq:US-Oregon Permissible Exposure Limits} \ensuremath{\text{(Z-1)}}$	isopentane (Pentane)	500	1,500			*
Canada - British Columbia Occupational Exposure Limits	isopentane (Diesel fuel, as total hydrocarbons, Inhalable)		100 (V)			Skin

## **MATERIAL DATA**

#### ISOPENTANE

■ Sensory irritants are chemicals that produce temporary and undesirable side-effects on the eyes, nose or throat. Historically occupational exposure standards for these irritants have been based on observation of workers' responses to various airborne concentrations. Present day expectations require that nearly every individual should be protected against even minor sensory irritation and exposure standards are established using uncertainty factors or safety factors of 5 to 10 or more. On occasion animal no-observable-effect-levels (NOEL) are used to determine these limits where human results are unavailable. An additional approach, typically used by the TLV committee (USA) in determining respiratory standards for this group of chemicals, has been to assign ceiling values (TLV C) to rapidly acting irritants and to assign short-term exposure limits (TLV STELs) when the weight of evidence from irritation, bioaccumulation and other endpoints combine to warrant such a limit. In contrast the MAK Commission (Germany) uses a five-category system based on intensive odour, local irritation, and elimination half-life. However this system is being replaced to be consistent with the European Union (EU) Scientific Committee for Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL); this is more closely allied to that of the USA. OSHA (USA) concluded that exposure to sensory irritants can:

- cause inflammation
- cause increased susceptibility to other irritants and infectious agents
- lead to permanent injury or dysfunction

- permit greater absorption of hazardous substances and
- acclimate the worker to the irritant warning properties of these substances thus increasing the risk of overexposure.

REL TWA: 350 mg/m3; C: 1800 mg/m3/15m (alkanes) NIOSH

#### PERSONAL PROTECTION









Consult your EHS staff for recommendations

#### **EYE**

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- Safety glasses with side shields.
- · Chemical goggles.
- Contact lenses pose a special hazard; soft lenses may absorb irritants and all lenses concentrate them. DO NOT wear contact lenses.

#### HANDS/FFF1

■ Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include: such as:

- frequency and duration of contact,
- chemical resistance of glove material,
- glove thickness and
- dexterity

Select gloves tested to a relevant standard (e.g. Europe EN 374, US F739).

- When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 5 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 240 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.
- When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 3 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 60 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.
- Contaminated gloves should be replaced.

Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.

Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.

Wear safety footwear or safety gumboots, eg. Rubber.

## **OTHER**

- . .
- Overalls.PVC Apron
- PVC protective suit may be required if exposure severe.
- Evewash unit
- Ensure there is ready access to a safety shower.
- Some plastic personal protective equipment (PPE) (e.g. gloves, aprons, overshoes) are not recommended as they may produce static electricity.
- For large scale or continuous use wear tight-weave non-static clothing (no metallic fasteners, cuffs or pockets), non sparking safety footwear

## **RESPIRATOR**

■ Selection of the Class and Type of respirator will depend upon the level of breathing zone contaminant and the chemical nature of the contaminant. Protection Factors (defined as the ratio of contaminant outside and inside the mask) may also be important.

Breathing Zone Level ppm (volume)	Maximum Protection Factor	Half-face Respirator	Full-Face Respirator
1000	10	AX-1	-
1000	50	-	AX-1
5000	50	Airline*	-
5000	100	-	AX-2
10000	100	-	AX-3
	100+		Airline* *

<sup>\* -</sup> Continuous Flow \*\* - Continuous-flow or positive pressure demand.

The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required.

Use appropriate NIOSH-certified respirator based on informed professional judgement. In conditions where no reasonable estimate of exposure can be made, assume the exposure is in a concentration IDLH and use NIOSH-certified full face pressure demand SCBA with a minimum service life of 30 minutes, or a combination full facepiece pressure demand SAR with auxiliary self-contained air supply. Respirators provided only for escape from IDLH atmospheres shall be NIOSH-certified for escape from the atmosphere in which they will be used.

#### **ENGINEERING CONTROLS**

■ For flammable liquids and flammable gases, local exhaust ventilation or a process enclosure ventilation system may be required. Ventilation equipment should be explosion-resistant.Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant:

Air Speed:

solvent, vapors, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air). 0.25-0.5 m/s (50-100 f/min.)

aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid

fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active generation)

0.5-1 m/s (100-200 f/min.)

direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of

loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of 1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min.) rapid air motion)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range	Upper end of the range
1: Room air currents minimal or favorable to capture	1: Disturbing room air currents
2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only.	2: Contaminants of high toxicity
3: Intermittent, low production.	3: High production, heavy use
4: Large hood or large air mass in motion	4: Small hood-local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min.) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

# **Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

## **PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

#### Liquid.

Does not mix with water.

State	Liquid	Molecular Weight	72.15
Melting Range (°F)	-255.802	Viscosity	Not Available
Boiling Range (°F)	75.2- 89.6 27.8 pure	Solubility in water (g/L)	Immiscible
Flash Point (°F)	< -59.8 TCC	pH (1% solution)	Not applicable.
Decomposition Temp (°F)	Not Available	pH (as supplied)	Not applicable
Autoignition Temp (°F)	788	Vapor Pressure (mmHg)	594.799 @ 21.1 C
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	8.3	Specific Gravity (water=1)	0.62 @ 20/4
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	1.32	Relative Vapor Density (air=1)	2.48
Volatile Component (%vol)	100	Evaporation Rate	13 BuAc=1
Gas group	IIA		

## **APPEARANCE**

Clear, colourless watery liquid with a pleasant gasoline-like odour. Immiscible with water. Miscible with ether, hydrocarbons, oils and slightly soluble in alcohol.

# **Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY**

## **CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY**

- •
- Presence of incompatible materials.
- Product is considered stable.
- Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

# STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

- n-Pentane
- reacts violently with strong oxidisers
- attacks some plastics, rubber and coatings
- may generate static charges o flow or agitation, due to low conductivity

Avoid reaction with oxidizing agents.

For incompatible materials - refer to Section 7 - Handling and Storage.

# **Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### **TOXICITY AND IRRITATION**

- unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS Register of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.
- No data of toxicological significance identified in literature search.

#### SKIN

isopentane	ND	Notes	Skin
isopentane	ND	Notation	Skin
isopentane	Canada - Alberta Occupational Exposure Limits - Skin	Substance Interaction	1

# Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Refer to data for ingredients, which follows:

ISOPENTANE:

Marine Pollutant: Yes

- Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.
- Do NOT allow product to come in contact with surface waters or to intertidal areas below the mean high water mark. Do not contaminate water when cleaning equipment or disposing of equipment wash-waters.

Wastes resulting from use of the product must be disposed of on site or at approved waste sites.

**Environmental Fate** 

Terrestrial fate: An estimated Koc value of 520, determined from a water solubility of 48 mg/L indicates that isopentane is expected to have low mobility in soil. Volatilisation of isopentane from moist soil surfaces is expected to be an important fate process given an estimated Henry's Law constant of 1.4 atm-cu m/mole, derived from its estimated vapor pressure, 689 mm Hg, and water solubility. Isopentane is expected to volatilise from dry soil surfaces based upon its vapor pressure. Following a 6.1 day lag period, isopentane was completely degraded under aerobic conditions using an activated sludge over the course of a 20 day incubation period.

Aquatic fate: :The estimated Koc value indicates that isopentane is expected to adsorb to suspended solids and sediment. Volatilisation from water surfaces is expected to occur rapidly based upon an estimated Henry's Law constant. Using this Henry's Law constant volatilisation half-lives for a model river and model lake are estimated to be 52 minutes and 3 days, respectively. An estimated BCF of 70 suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is moderate. The biodegradation half-life of a mixture containing isopentane, pentane, and cyclopentane in seawater was 2.4 days, suggesting isopentane may biodegrade in water.

Atmospheric fate:: According to a model of gas/particle partitioning of semivolatile organic compounds in the atmosphere, isopentane, is expected to exist solely as vapor. Vapour-phase isopentane is degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for this reaction in air is estimated to be 4 days, calculated from its rate constant of 3.9x10-12 cu cm/molec-sec at 25 deg C.

Ecotoxicity:

Daphnia magna EC50 948 h): 2.3 mg/l.

■ DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

**EHS** 

**Ecotoxicity** 

Ingredient Persistence: Water/Soil Persistence: Air Bioaccumulation Mobility isopentane HIGH LOW HIGH

> Α1 A2 B1

# **GESAMP/EHS COMPOSITE LIST - GESAMP Hazard Profiles** TRN

A1a

A<sub>1</sub>b

Cas No / RTECS No E1:\_INTER 561 110 5

B2 C1 C2 C3 D1

D2 D3 E1 E2

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Name /

Legend: EHS=EHS Number (EHS=GESAMP Working Group on the Evaluation of the Hazards of Harmful Substances Carried by Ships) NRT=Net Register Tonnage, A1a=Bioaccumulation log Pow, A1b=Bioaccumulation BCF, A1=Bioaccumulation, A2=Biodegradation, B1=Acuteaquatic toxicity LC/ECIC50 (mg/l), B2=Chronic aquatic toxicity NOEC (mg/l), C1=Acute mammalian oral toxicity LD50 (mg/kg), C2=Acutemammalian dermal toxicity LD50 (mq/kg), C3=Acute mammalian inhalation toxicity LC50 (mq/kg), D1=Skin irritation & corrosion, D2=Eye irritation& corrosion, D3=Long-term health effects, E1=Tainting, E2=Physical effects on wildlife & benthic habitats, E3=Interference with coastal amenities, For column A2: R=Readily biodegradable, NR=Not readily biodegradable. For column D3: C=Carcinogen, M=Mutagenic, R=Reprotoxic, S=Sensitising, A=Aspiration hazard, T=Target organ systemic toxicity, L=Lunginjury, N=Neurotoxic, I=Immunotoxic. For column E1: NT=Not tainting (tested), T=Tainting test positive. For column E2: Fp=Persistent floater, F=Floater, S=Sinking substances. The numerical scales start from 0 (no hazard), while higher numbers reflect increasing hazard. (GESAMP/EHS Composite List of Hazard Profiles - Hazard evaluation of substances transported by ships)

# **Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

## **US EPA Waste Number & Descriptions**

A. General Product Information

Ignitability characteristic: use EPA hazardous waste number D001 (waste code I)

## **Disposal Instructions**

All waste must be handled in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/ or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked.

A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate:

- Reduction
- Reuse
- Recycling
- Disposal (if all else fails)

This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. If it has been contaminated, it may be possible to reclaim the product by filtration, distillation or some other means. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate.

DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning equipment to enter drains. Collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.

- · Recycle wherever possible.
- Consult manufacturer for recycling options or consult Waste Management Authority for disposal if no suitable treatment or disposal facility can be identified.
- Dispose of by: Burial in a licensed land-fill or Incineration in a licensed apparatus (after admixture with suitable combustible material)
- Decontaminate empty containers. Observe all label safeguards until containers are cleaned and destroyed.

# **Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**





#### DOT:

DO 1.				
Symbols:	None	Hazard class or Division:	3	
Identification Numbers:	UN1265	PG:	1	
Label Codes:	3	Special provisions:	T11, TP2	
Packaging: Exceptions:	150	Packaging: Non-bulk:	201	
Packaging: Exceptions:	150	Quantity limitations: Passenger aircraft/rail:	1 L	
Quantity Limitations: Cargo aircraft only:	30 L	Vessel stowage: Location:	Е	
Vessel stowage: Other:	None			
Lawrenders materials descriptions and weaper shipping pages				

Hazardous materials descriptions and proper shipping names:

Pentanes

## Air Transport IATA:

ICAO/IATA Class:	3	ICAO/IATA Subrisk:	None
UN/ID Number:	1265	Packing Group:	1
Special provisions:	None		

# Shipping Name: PENTANES Maritime Transport IMDG:

IMDG Class:	3	IMDG Subrisk:	None
UN Number:	1265	Packing Group:	I
EMS Number:	F-E, S-D	Special provisions:	None
Limited Quantities:	0	Marine Pollutant:	Yes

Shipping Name: PENTANES, liquid

# **Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**







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#### **REGULATIONS**

#### isopentane (CAS: 78-78-4) is found on the following regulatory lists;

"Canada - Nova Scotia Occupational Exposure Limits", "Canada - Prince Edward Island Occupational Exposure Limits", "Canada - Saskatchewan Industrial Hazardous Substances", "Canada Toxicological Index Service - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System - WHMIS (English)", "Canada Toxicological Index Service - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System - WHMIS (French)", "IMO MARPOL 73/78 (Annex II) - List of Noxious Liquid Substances Carried in Bulk", "International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA) - High Production Volume List", "OECD Representative List of High Production Volume (HPV) Chemicals", "US - Massachusetts Oil & Hazardous Material List", "US - New Jersey Right to Know Hazardous Substances", "US - Pennsylvania - Hazardous Substance List", "US ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)", "US Cosmetic Ingredient Review (CIR) Cosmetic ingredients found safe as used", "US Department of Homeland Security Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards - Chemicals of Interest", "US DOE Temporary Emergency Exposure Limits (TEELs)", "US EPA High Production Volume Program Chemical List", "US List of Lists - Consolidated List of Chemicals Subject to the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) and Section 112(r) of the Clean Air Act", "US NFPA 45 Fire Protection for Laboratories Using Chemicals - Flammability Characteristics of Common Compressed and Liquefied Gases", "US Postal Service (USPS) Hazardous Materials Table: Postal Service Mailability Guide", "US Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) - Inventory", "USA: Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards - List Appendix A - 6CFR 27"

# **Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

#### LIMITED EVIDENCE

- Inhalation and/or ingestion may produce health damage\*.
- Cumulative effects may result following exposure\*.
- May produce discomfort of the respiratory system\*.
- \* (limited evidence).

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- Classification of the mixture and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

  A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at:

  www.chemwatch.net/references.
- The (M)SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

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