

Linolenic Acid ethyl ester

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Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

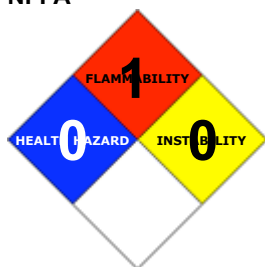
PRODUCT NAME

Linolenic Acid ethyl ester

STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

CONSIDERED A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCORDING TO OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.

NFPA



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PRODUCT USE

■ Intermediate.

SYNONYMS

C20-H34-O2, CH₃(CH₂CH=CH)₃(CH₂)₇CO₂C₂H₅, "9, 12, 15-octadecatrienoic acid, ethyl ester, (Z, Z, Z)-", "9, 12, 15-octadecatrienoic acid, ethyl ester, (Z, Z, Z)-", "ethyl alpha-linolenate", "ethyl (Z, Z, Z)-9, 12, 15-octadecatrienoate", "ethyl (Z, Z, Z)-9, 12, 15-octadecatrienoate", "linolenic acid, ethyl ester"

Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS

None

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

RISK

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

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED

■ The material has NOT been classified as "harmful by ingestion". This is because of the lack of corroborating animal or human evidence. The material may still be damaging to the health of the individual, following ingestion, especially where pre-existing organ (e.g. liver, kidney) damage is evident. Present definitions of harmful or toxic substances are generally based on doses producing mortality (death) rather than

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those producing morbidity (disease, ill-health). Gastrointestinal tract discomfort may produce nausea and vomiting. In an occupational setting however, unintentional ingestion is not thought to be cause for concern.

■ Fatty acid esters have fairly low toxicity.

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).

SKIN

■ The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or skin irritation following contact (as classified using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable gloves be used in an occupational setting.

■ 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.

■ 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

■ The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or irritation of the respiratory tract (as classified using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable control measures be used in an occupational setting.

■ Inhalation hazard is increased at higher temperatures.

■ Inhalation of oil droplets/ aerosols may cause discomfort and may produce chemical pneumonitis.

■ Fine mists generated from plant/ vegetable (or more rarely from animal) oils may be hazardous. Extreme heating for prolonged periods, at high temperatures, may generate breakdown products which include acrolein and acrolein-like substances.

CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

HAZARD RATINGS

	Min	Max
Flammability:	1	
Toxicity:	0	
Body Contact:	0	
Reactivity:	1	
Chronic:	0	

Min/Nil=0
Low=1
Moderate=2
High=3
Extreme=4



NAME	CAS RN	%
ethyl linolenate	1191-41-9	>98

Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

SWALLOWED

-
- Immediately give a glass of water.
- First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Center or a doctor.

EYE

■ If this product comes in contact with eyes:

- Wash out immediately with water.
- If irritation continues, 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).

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- Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

INHALED

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- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
- Other measures are usually unnecessary.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

- Treat symptomatically.

Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Vapour Pressure (mmHG):	Not available
Upper Explosive Limit (%):	Not available
Specific Gravity (water=1):	0.892
Lower Explosive Limit (%):	Not available

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

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

FIRE FIGHTING

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- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control 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 protected location.
- If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.

GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS

-
- Combustible.
- Slight fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.
- Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.
- On combustion, may emit toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO).
- May emit acrid smoke.
- Mists containing combustible materials may be explosive.

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

CARE: Water in contact with hot liquid may cause foaming and a steam explosion with wide scattering of hot oil and possible severe burns. Foaming may cause overflow of containers and may result in possible fire.

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 A Filter of sufficient capacity

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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MINOR SPILLS

- Environmental hazard - contain spillage.
- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing vapors and contact with skin and eyes.
- Control personal contact by using protective equipment.
- Contain and absorb spill with sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite.
- Wipe up.
- Place in a suitable labeled container for waste disposal.

MAJOR SPILLS

- Environmental hazard - contain spillage.

CARE: Absorbent material wet with occluded oil must be wet with water as they may auto-oxidize, become self heating and ignite.

Some oils slowly oxidize when spread in a film and oil on cloths, mops, absorbents may auto-oxidize and generate heat, smoulder, ignite and burn. In the workplace oily rags should be collected and immersed in water.

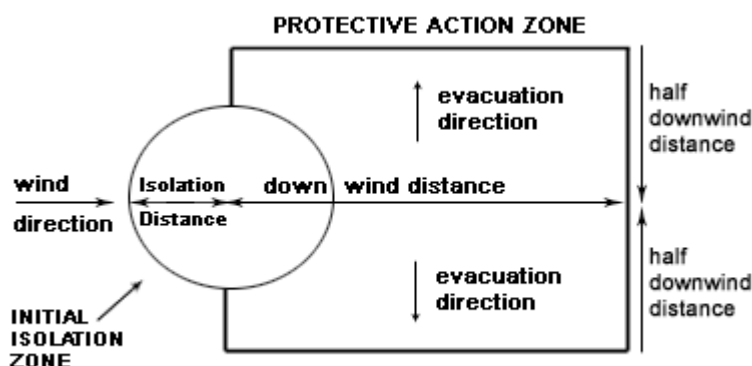
Moderate hazard.

- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources. Increase ventilation.
- Stop leak if safe to do so.
- Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.
- 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

WARNING

MAY DECOMPOSE EXPLOSIVELY AT HIGH TEMPERATURES.



From IERG (Canada/Australia)

Isolation Distance -

Downwind Protection Distance 10 meters

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

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than 200 litres, such as a cargo tank, portable tank or a "one-tonne" compressed gas cylinder.

5 Guide 171 is taken from the US DOT emergency response guide book.

6 IERG information is derived from CANUTEC - Transport Canada.

ACUTE EXPOSURE GUIDELINE LEVELS (AEG) (in ppm)

AEG 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.

AEG 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.

AEG 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

■ Rags wet / soaked with unsaturated hydrocarbons / drying oils may auto-oxidise; generate heat and, in-time, smoulder and ignite. This is especially the case where oil-soaked materials are folded, bunched, compressed, or piled together - this allows the heat to accumulate or even accelerate the reaction

Oily cleaning rags should be collected regularly and immersed in water, or spread to dry in safe-place away from direct sunlight or stored, immersed, in solvents in suitably closed containers.

- 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 or ignition sources.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.
- 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

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- Metal can or drum
- Packing as recommended by manufacturer.
- Check all containers are clearly labeled and free from leaks.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

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- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.
- Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS

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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

The following materials had no OELs on our records

- ethyl linolenate: CAS:1191-41-9

MATERIAL DATA

ETHYL LINOLENATE:

■ vegetable oil mists (except castor, cashew nut and similar irritant oils) TLV TWA: 10 mg/m³ ES TWA: 10 mg/m³ OSHA PEL TWA: 15 mg/m³, total particulate; 5 mg/m³, respirable particulate The common vegetable oil mists are considered "nuisance" particulates which have little adverse effect on the lung. They do not produce toxic effects or significant organic disease when exposures are kept under reasonable control. Direct instillation of vegetable oils into rabbit lungs produces acute bronchitis whilst high oral doses are laxatives.

PERSONAL PROTECTION



Consult your EHS staff for recommendations

EYE

- Safety glasses with side shields
- Chemical goggles.
- Contact lenses pose a special hazard; soft lenses may absorb irritants and all lenses concentrate them.

HANDS/FEET

■ Wear general protective gloves, e.g., light weight rubber gloves.

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.

- Neoprene gloves

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OTHER

■ No special equipment needed when handling small quantities.

OTHERWISE:

- Overalls.
- Barrier cream.
- Eyewash unit.

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	A-1	-
1000	50	-	A-1
5000	50	Airline*	-
5000	100	-	A-2
10000	100	-	A-3
	100+		Airline* *

* - 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

■ General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. If risk of overexposure exists, wear an approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas. 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 rapid air motion)	1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min)
grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).	2.5-10 m/s (500-2000 f/min.)

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.

Care: Atmospheres in bulk storages and even apparently empty tanks may be hazardous by oxygen depletion. Atmosphere must be checked before entry.

Requirements of State Authorities concerning conditions for tank entry must be met. Particularly with regard to training of crews for tank

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entry; work permits; sampling of atmosphere; provision of rescue harness and protective gear as needed.

Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Liquid.

Does not mix with water.

Floats on water.

State	Liquid	Molecular Weight	306.49
Melting Range (°F)	Not available	Viscosity	Not Available
Boiling Range (°F)	330.8- 334.4 (1mm Hg)	Solubility in water (g/L)	Partly miscible
Flash Point (°F)	>230	pH (1% solution)	Not applicable
Decomposition Temp (°F)	Not available.	pH (as supplied)	Not applicable
Autoignition Temp (°F)	Not available	Vapour Pressure (mmHG)	Not available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not available	Specific Gravity (water=1)	0.892
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not available	Relative Vapor Density (air=1)	>1
Volatile Component (%vol)	Not available	Evaporation Rate	Not available

APPEARANCE

Colourless liquid; does not mix well with water.

Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY

CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

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

STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

■ Vegetable oils and some animal fats undergo undesirable deterioration reactions in the presence of oxygen from the air becoming rancid accompanying off-flavours and smells.

The mechanism of autoxidation of vegetable oils is classically regarded as following a number of stages being:

- a usually slow initiation phase
- a usually rapid propagation
- and a termination phase

The initiation phase involves the formation of a free radical from a triglyceride molecule in the fat this may be promoted by the presence of heavy metals in the oil, or by heat or light. The next stage is the reaction of the triglyceride free radical with oxygen to produce a peroxide free radical, which can react with another triglyceride to produce a hydroperoxide and another triglyceride free radical. Steps 2 and 3 can repeat in a chain reaction until two peroxy free radicals collide and neutralise each other.

Some drying oils produce cyclic peroxides instead of hydroperoxides.

Autooxidation may also occur in saturated fatty acids and their esters. Monohydroperoxides are formed. Although all carbon atoms are subject to oxidation, preferential oxidation appears to occur towards the centre of the molecule.

Autoxidation is assisted by higher ambient temperatures (the rate doubling for every ten degrees Centigrade rise) and by the presence of heavy metal ions, especially copper. The degree of unsaturation of the oil is also relevant to shelf-life; oils with a high linolenic fatty acid content (3 double bonds) being more prone than those with a higher saturated fatty acid content. Autoxidation can be minimized by the presence of anti-oxidants, which can act as free-radical inhibitors. Vegetable oils should therefore be stored in a cool place away from heat and light, and should only come into contact with inert (glass or stainless steel) containers which will not leach heavy metals. Blanketing under nitrogen should be considered in bulk storages.

Avoid reaction with oxidizing agents.

- Materials soaked with plant/ vegetable derived (and rarely, animal) oils may undergo spontaneous combustion

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

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Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ethyl linolenate

TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

■ unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.

TOXICITY	IRRITATION
Oral (rat) LD50: 111250 mg/kg	Nil Reported

■ Group A aliphatic monoesters (fatty acid esters)

According to a classification scheme described by the American Chemistry Council's Aliphatic Esters Panel, Group A substances are simple monoesters derived from a monofunctional alcohol, such as 2-ethylhexyl alcohol (C8-alcohol) or tridecyl alcohol (C13 alcohol) and fatty acids such as palmitic, stearic, oleic or linoleic acid. Metabolism of the parent esters is expected to yield the corresponding fatty acids and alcohols. The fatty acids are naturally occurring and have a low order of toxicity.

Group A substances are rather lipophilic (log Kow 10-15) in character due to the large number of carbon numbers in the ester molecule (e.g., 24, 26, 31 carbons) and have relatively high boiling points. Owing to the non-volatile nature of these esters, their vapour pressures are very low and difficult to determine experimentally. Water solubility is also very low.

Mammalian Toxicity:

Acute Toxicity. Many higher fatty acid esters, such as the stearates, oleates and palmitates, have been cleared for use in the food industry; thus, their general physiological response and toxicity are very low. Many of the higher fatty acid esters are considered safe for use in cosmetics.

Available acute toxicity data indicate that the fatty acid esters in Group A, in general, have a low order of toxicity [e.g., palmitic acid, 2-ethylhexyl ester (LD50 > 5 g/kg) and tall oil fatty acid 2-ethylhexyl ester (LD50 > 64 g/kg)]. Consistent with that, available data spanning the carbon range of C22 to C34 indicate that the alkyl fatty acid esters are not toxic by oral administration [rat LD50 (oral) > 5g/kg, with range from 5 g/kg to 64 g/kg]. Butyl stearate is tolerated by rats without lethal effects at oral doses of 32 g/kg while octyl oleate has a reported LD50 of >40 ml/kg.

In addition, many alkyl fatty acid esters, such as the stearates, oleates and palmitates, have been demonstrated to be not toxic by dermal administration.

Because of the low volatility of these substances, inhalation exposure at toxicological significant levels is not expected.

Repeated Dose Toxicity. 28-Day oral gavage studies in rats with decyl oleate (CAS 3687-46-5) at doses of 100, 500 and 1000 mg/kg showed no toxicity as noted with respect to clinical symptoms, biochemistry, hematology, gross lesions or tissue/organ histopathology. The NOAEL was estimated to be 1000 mg/kg. Similarly, octyl or (2-ethylhexyl) stearate showed a NOAEL of 1000 mg/kg in 28-day oral gavage studies in rats.

In chronic two-year feeding studies with butyl stearate at concentrations of 1.25% or 6.25% in the diet, exposed rats showed no significant difference from control animals with respect to growth, survival, blood counts or other haematological parameters.

Besides the two substances above, various other long-chain fatty acid esters have also been studied for their repeated dose toxicity and the findings support a low order of toxicity.

Genotoxicity:

Genetic Toxicity (Salmonella). Fatty acid, C 16- 18 saturated and C 18 unsaturated, 2-ethylhexanoate (CAS 85049-37-2); octyl stearate (CAS 109-36-4); and decyl oleate (CAS 3687-46-5) were shown to be negative in the Ames assay. Since the monoesters are similar in chemical structure and carbon-number range, it is unlikely that esters in Group A will induce point mutation. In addition, the chemistry of the long-chain fatty acids does not suggest the likelihood that these substances or their constituent substructures (i.e., fatty acids, alcohols) are reactive or electrophilic in nature.

Genetic Toxicity (Chromosomal Aberrations). The chemistry of the long-chain fatty acid esters does not suggest the likelihood that these substances or their constituent substructures (i.e., fatty acids, alcohols) are reactive or electrophilic in nature. Therefore, the likelihood that the fatty acid monoesters may cause chromosomal mutation is very low.

Reproductive toxicity: Assessment of reproductive effects of alkyl fatty acid esters in Group A is based primarily on studies with butyl stearate. Fertility, litter size and survival of offspring were normal in rats fed diets containing 6.25% butyl stearate for 10 weeks. However, growth was reduced in offspring during the pre-weaning and post-weaning periods. No gross lesions were noted among the offspring killed at the end of the 21-day post-weaning periods. These results indicate that long-chain fatty acid esters do not cause reproductive toxicity in rats. Given the relative low order of toxicity for long-chain fatty acid esters and their relative non-electrophilic and non-reactive nature, it seems unlikely that the long-chain fatty acid esters would present serious reproductive concerns.

Developmental Toxicity/ Teratogenicity. Assessment of developmental effects for the long-chain fatty acid esters in this group was based primarily on data reported for fatty acid, C16-18, 2-ethylhexyl ester (CAS 91031-48-0). In oral gavage studies in rats administered doses of 100, 300 and 1000 mg/kg during gestation, the maternal NOAEL was > 1000 mg/kg and the NOAEL for teratogenicity was >1000 mg/kg. Based on these findings and the fact Group A substances, are very chemically similar to the structure of the tested material, read-across assessment is thought to be appropriate.

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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Refer to data for ingredients, which follows:

ETHYL LINOLENATE:

- Toxic to aquatic organisms.
 - 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.
- May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.
 - For Group A aliphatic esters (fatty acid esters):

Environmental fate:

Group A substances are rather lipophilic (log Kow 10-15) in character due to the large number of carbon numbers in the ester molecule (e.g., 24,26, 31 carbons) and have relatively high boiling points. Owing to the non-volatile nature of these esters, their vapor pressures are very low and difficult to determine experimentally. Water solubility is also very low.

Hydrolysis half lives and atmospheric photodegradation rates were calculated by EPIWIN. The monoester hydrolysis rates were determined to be quite low and not a significant environmental fate route. Fugacity modeling indicates that the fatty acid esters have similar distribution patterns in the environmental compartments (e.g., air, water, soil, sediment).

Biodegradation of alkyl fatty acid esters are expected to occur extensively based on the reported 28 day test results (80-85% biodegradation, OECD 301D) for decyl oleate and for the 2-ethylhexyl ester of C16- 18 saturated and C18 unsaturated fatty acids (CAS 85049-37-2). Group A Substances are expected to be extensively biodegraded since the fatty acids in these esters are primarily comprised of palmitic, stearic or oleic acids, which are known to be rapidly biodegraded

Ecotoxicity:

Aquatic toxicity results have been reported for decyl oleate and fatty acid, C16- 18 saturated and C18 unsaturated, 2-ethylhexanoate They are not acutely toxic to fish (LC50 3200 mg/L). In daphnids, the acute LC50 was reported to be 17 mg/L and in algae, the LC50 was reported to be 40-42 mg/L based on biomass and growth rate endpoints. Because of their limited water solubility, the alkyl fatty acid esters and Group A esters are not likely to cause acute aquatic toxicity.

■ Unsaturated vegetable oils are often used in paints which upon "drying" produce a polymeric network formed of the constituent fatty acids. During the drying process, a number of compounds are produced that do not contribute to the polymer network. These include unstable hydroperoxide (ROOH) the major by-product of the reaction of oxygen with unsaturated fatty acids. The hydroperoxides quickly decompose, forming carbon dioxide and water, as well as a variety of aldehydes, acids and hydrocarbons. Many of these compounds are volatile, and in an unpigmented oil, they would be quickly lost to the environment. However, in paints, such volatiles may react with lead, zinc, copper or iron compounds in the pigment, and remain in the paint film as coordination complexes or salts. A large number of the original ester bonds in the oil molecules undergo hydrolysis releasing individual fatty acids. Some portion of the free fatty acids react with metals in the pigment, producing metal carboxylates. Together, the various non-cross-linking substances associated with the polymer network constitute the mobile phases. Unlike the molecules that are part of the network itself, they are capable of moving and diffusing within the film, and can be removed using heat or a solvent. The mobile phase may play a role in plasticising the paint film, preventing it from becoming too brittle.

One simple technique for monitoring the early stages of the drying process is to measure weight change in an oil film over time. Initially, the film becomes heavier, as it absorbs large amounts of oxygen. Then oxygen uptake ceases, and the weight of the film declines as volatile compounds are lost to the environment.

As the oil ages, a further transition occurs. Carboxyl groups in the polymers of the stationary phase lose a hydrogen ion, becoming negatively charged, and form complexes with metal cations present in the pigment. The original network, with its nonpolar, covalent bonds is replaced by an ionomeric structure, held together by ionic interactions. At present, the structure of these ionomeric networks is not well understood.

Ecotoxicity

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air	Bioaccumulation	Mobility
ethyl linolenate	LOW		LOW	LOW

Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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.

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

- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- Consult Waste Management Authority for disposal.
- Bury or incinerate residue at an approved site.
- Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorized landfill.

Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION



DOT:

Symbols:	G	Hazard class or Division:	9
Identification Numbers:	UN3082	PG:	III
Label Codes:	9	Special provisions:	8, 146, 335, IB3, T4, TP1, TP29
Packaging: Exceptions:	155	Packaging: Non-bulk:	203
Packaging: Exceptions:	155	Quantity limitations: Passenger aircraft/rail:	No limit
Quantity Limitations: Cargo aircraft only:	No limit	Vessel stowage: Location:	A
Vessel stowage: Other:	None		

Hazardous materials descriptions and proper shipping names:

Environmentally hazardous substance, liquid, n.o.s

Air Transport IATA:

ICAO/IATA Class:	9	ICAO/IATA Subrisk:	III
UN/ID Number:	3082	Packing Group:	III
Special provisions:	A97		

Shipping Name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S. *(CONTAINS ETHYL LINOLENATE)

Maritime Transport IMDG:

IMDG Class:	9	IMDG Subrisk:	None
UN Number:	3082	Packing Group:	III
EMS Number:	F-A,S-F	Special provisions:	274 909 944

Limited Quantities: 5 L

Shipping Name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S.(contains ethyl linolenate)

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

ethyl linolenate (CAS: 1191-41-9) is found on the following regulatory lists;

"Canada Domestic Substances List (DSL)", "US Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) - Inventory"

Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

Reasonable care has been taken in the preparation of this information, but the author makes no warranty of

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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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