

Palmitic Acid ethyl ester

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Hazard Alert Code Key:

EXTREME

HIGH

MODERATE

LOW

Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

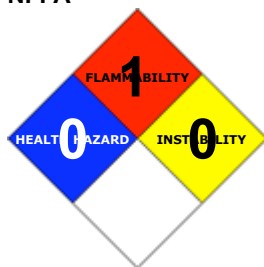
PRODUCT NAME

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STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

Not considered a hazardous substance according to OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.

NFPA



SUPPLIER

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PRODUCT USE

Plasticiser, lubricant.

SYNONYMS

C18-H36-O2, "palmitic acid, ethyl ester"

Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS

None

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

RISK

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 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.

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- 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.

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 palmitate	628-97-7	>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).
- Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

INHALED

-
- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.

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- 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):	0.857
Lower Explosive Limit (%):	Not available

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.
- 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), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.

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-P 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.

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- 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

- 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.

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

-
- 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

-
- Metal can or drum
- Packing as recommended by manufacturer.

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- Check all containers are clearly labeled and free from leaks.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

-
- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- 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



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 palmitate: CAS:628-97-7

MATERIAL DATA

ETHYL PALMITATE:

- No exposure limits set by NOHSC or ACGIH.

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

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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

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

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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.

Floats on water.

State	Liquid	Molecular Weight	284.48
Melting Range (°F)	75.2- 78.8	Viscosity	Not Available
Boiling Range (°F)	377.6- 379.4 (10 mm)	Solubility in water (g/L)	Immiscible
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)	0.857
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not available	Relative Vapor Density (air=1)	>1
Volatile Component (%vol)	Not available	Evaporation Rate	Not available

APPEARANCE

Colourless, oily liquid or moist white solid (dependent on ambient temperature); does not mix with water. Miscible with alcohol, ether.

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

- Avoid contamination of water, foodstuffs, feed or seed.
- Avoid reaction with oxidizing agents.

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

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ethyl palmitate

TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

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

- Group A aliphatic monoesters (fatty acid esters)

According to a classification scheme described by the American Chemistry Council' 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.,

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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 kg/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.

No significant acute toxicological data identified in literature search.

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Refer to data for ingredients, which follows:

ETHYL PALMITATE:

■ 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

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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.

Ecotoxicity

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air	Bioaccumulation	Mobility
ethyl palmitate	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.

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

NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS: DOT, IATA, IMDG

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

ethyl palmitate (CAS: 628-97-7) is found on the following regulatory lists;

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

Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

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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,

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frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

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