

# **Safety Data Sheet**

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# 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier

Product Name Ethylene

Other means of identification

**SDS #** EF-038

**Synonyms** Ethene; Ethene (ethylene); impure; ethylene, pure.

UN/ID No UN1962

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended Use Synthetic/Analytical chemistry.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier Address

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Emergency telephone number

Company Phone Number 215-443-9600

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1-800-535-5053 (North America)

# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Appearance Colorless gas Physical state Gas Odor Characteristic

# Classification

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Flammable gases	Category 1
Gases under pressure	Liquefied gas

### Signal Word Danger

# **Hazard statements**

May cause drowsiness or dizziness Extremely flammable gas Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated



#### **Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. — No smoking

### **Precautionary Statements - Response**

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing Call a poison center or doctor/physician if you feel unwell LEAKING GAS FIRE: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so

## **Precautionary Statements - Storage**

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed Store locked up Protect from sunlight

# **Precautionary Statements - Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**Synonyms** 

Ethene; Ethene (ethylene); impure; ethylene, pure.

Chemical name	CAS No	Weight-%	
Ethylene	74-85-1	100	

<sup>\*\*</sup>If Chemical Name/CAS No is "proprietary" and/or Weight-% is listed as a range, the specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.\*\*

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### **Description of first aid measures**

**Eye Contact** Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids.

Check for and remove any contact lenses. Continue to rinse for at least 10 minutes. Get

medical attention if irritation occurs.

**Skin Contact** Flush contaminated skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. To

avoid the risk of static discharges and gas ignition, soak contaminated clothing thoroughly with water before removing it. Get medical attention if symptoms occur. In case of contact with liquid, warm frozen tissues slowly with lukewarm water and get medical attention. Do not rub affected area. Wash clothing before reuse. Clean shoes thoroughly before reuse.

**Inhalation** Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. If it is

suspected that fumes are still present, the rescuer should wear an appropriate mask or self-contained breathing apparatus. If not breathing, if breathing is irregular or if respiratory arrest occurs, provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Get medical attention. If necessary, call a poison center or physician. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight

clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.

**Ingestion** Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Get

medical attention. If necessary, call a poison center or physician. Ingestion of liquid can cause burns similar to frostbite. If frostbite occurs, get medical attention. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. As this product rapidly becomes a gas when released, refer to

the inhalation section.

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

**Symptoms** May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory irritation.

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

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically.

#### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media None known.

# **Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Contains gas under pressure. Extremely flammable gas. In a fire or if heated, a pressure increase will occur and the container may burst, with the risk of a subsequent explosion.

Hazardous combustion products Carbon dioxide (CO2). Carbon monoxide.

#### Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Contact supplier immediately for specialist advice. Move containers from fire area if this can be done without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. If involved in fire, shut off flow immediately if it can be done without risk. If this is impossible, withdraw from area and allow fire to burn. Fight fire from protected location or maximum possible distance. Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so.

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

# Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal Precautions Accidental releases pose a serious fire or explosion hazard. No action shall be taken

involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Shut off all ignition sources. No flares, smoking or flames in hazard area. Avoid breathing gas. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is

inadequate. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment.

For Emergency Responders If specialized clothing is required to deal with the spillage, take note of any information in

Section 8 on suitable and unsuitable materials. See also the information in "Personal

Precautions" in this section.

Environmental precautions

**Environmental precautions** Ensure emergency procedures to deal with accidental gas releases are in place to avoid

contamination of the environment. Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Inform the relevant authorities if the product has caused environmental pollution (sewers, waterways, soil or air). See Section 12 for

additional Ecological Information.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

**Methods for Containment** Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

#### **Methods for Clean-Up**

Small Spill: Immediately contact emergency personnel. Stop leak if without risk. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Large Spill: Immediately contact emergency personnel. Stop leak if without risk. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Note: see Section 1 for emergency contact information and Section 13 for waste disposal.

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### Precautions for safe handling

### Advice on Safe Handling

Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Contains gas under pressure. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid breathing gas. Empty containers retain product residue and can be hazardous. Do not puncture or incinerate container. Use equipment rated for cylinder pressure. Close valve after each use and when empty. Protect cylinders from physical damage; do not drag, roll, slide, or drop. Use a suitable hand truck for cylinder movement. Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. See also Section 8 for additional information on hygiene measures.

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

**Storage Conditions** 

Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in a segregated and approved area. Store away from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials (see Section 10). Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Cylinders should be stored upright, with valve protection cap in place, and firmly secured to prevent falling or being knocked over. Cylinder temperatures should not exceed 52 °C (125 °F).

**Incompatible Materials** 

Oxidizers.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Exposure Guidelines**

Chemical name	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Ethylene	TWA: 200 ppm	-	-
74-85-1			

### Appropriate engineering controls

# **Engineering Controls**

Use only with adequate ventilation. Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure to airborne contaminants below any recommended or statutory limits. The engineering controls also need to keep gas, vapor or dust concentrations below any lower explosive limits. Use explosion-proof ventilation equipment. Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. In some cases, fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.

#### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

#### **Eye/Face Protection**

Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts. If contact is possible, the following protection should be worn, unless the assessment indicates a higher degree of protection: safety glasses with side shields.

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**Skin and Body Protection** 

Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Considering the parameters specified by the glove manufacturer, check during use that the gloves are still retaining their protective properties. It should be noted that the time to breakthrough for any glove material may be different for different glove manufacturers. In the case of mixtures, consisting of several substances, the protection time of the gloves cannot be accurately estimated. Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product. When there is a risk of ignition from static electricity, wear antistatic protective clothing. For the greatest protection from static discharges, clothing should include anti-static overalls, boots and gloves. Appropriate footwear and any additional skin protection measures should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.

**Respiratory Protection** 

Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

General Hygiene Considerations Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

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# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# Information on basic physical and chemical properties

**Physical state** Gas

Colorless gas Characteristic **Appearance** Odor Color Colorless **Odor Threshold** Not determined

Values\_ Remarks • Method **Property** 

No data available -169.15 °C / -272.5 °F Melting point / freezing point Initial boiling point and boiling -103.77 °C / -154.8 °F

range

-135.85 °C / -212.5 °F Flash point

**Evaporation Rate** Not determined

Flammability (Solid, Gas) Extremely flammable in the presence of the following materials or conditions:

oxidizing materials

Flammability Limit in Air

Upper flammability or explosive 36%

limits

Lower flammability or explosive 2.7%

limits

**Vapor Pressure** Not determined

Vapor Density

**Relative Density** Not determined **Water Solubility** 0.131 g/l Solubility in other solvents Not determined

**Partition Coefficient** 1.13

**Autoignition temperature** 450 °C / 842 °F **Decomposition temperature** Not determined Kinematic viscosity Not determined **Dynamic Viscosity** Not determined **Explosive Properties** Not determined

Oxidizing Properties Not determined

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Reactivity

Not reactive under normal conditions.

#### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

#### Possibility of hazardous reactions

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous polymerization will not occur.

#### **Conditions to Avoid**

Avoid all possible sources of ignition (spark or flame). Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind or expose containers to heat or sources of ignition.

# **Incompatible materials**

Oxidizers.

# **Hazardous decomposition products**

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Information on likely routes of exposure

**Product Information** 

**Eye Contact** Avoid contact with eyes.

**Skin Contact** Avoid contact with skin.

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled.

**Ingestion** Do not ingest.

#### **Component Information**

Chemical name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Ethylene -		-	> 57000 ppm (Rat) 4 h
74-85-1			,, , ,

### Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

**Symptoms** Please see section 4 of this SDS for symptoms.

### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

**Carcinogenicity** Group 3 IARC components are "not classifiable as human carcinogens".

Chemical name	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA
Ethylene		Group 3		
74-85-1		·		

#### Legend

IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

Group 3 IARC components are "not classifiable as human carcinogens"

STOT - single exposure

May cause respiratory irritation.

### **Numerical measures of toxicity**

The following values are calculated based on chapter 3.1 of the GHS document Not determined.

**Gas** 57,000.00 ppm

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### **Ecotoxicity**

The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.

### Persistence/Degradability

Not determined.

# **Bioaccumulation**

There is no data for this product.

#### **Mobility**

Chemical name	Partition coefficient
Ethylene	1.13
74-85-1	

#### Other adverse effects

Not determined

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

# **Waste Treatment Methods**

Disposal of Wastes Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and

regulations.

Contaminated Packaging Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and

regulations.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**Note** Please see current shipping paper for most up to date shipping information, including

exemptions and special circumstances.

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**IATA** 

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**IMDG** 

UN number or ID number UN1962
Proper Shipping Name Ethylene
Transport hazard class(es) 2.1

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

# **International Inventories**

Chemical name	TSCA	TSCA Inventory Status	DSL/NDSL	EINECS/ELI NCS	ENCS	IECSC	KECL	PICCS	AIIC
Ethylene	Х	ACTIVE	Х	X	X	X	Х	X	X

#### Legend:

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances

IECSC - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

### US Federal Regulations

#### **CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355).

### SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Acute health hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	No
Fire hazard	Yes
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	Yes
Reactive Hazard	No

#### **SARA 313**

Chemical name	CAS No	Weight-%	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Ethylene - 74-85-1	74-85-1	100	1.0

# CWA (Clean Water Act)

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42)

## **US State Regulations**

# California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

# U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Chemical name		New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
	Ethylene	X	X	X
	74-85-1			

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

NFPA Health hazards Flammability Instability Special hazards

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<u>HMIS</u> Health hazards Flammability Physical hazards Personal Protection

- - Not determined

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