1. Identification

Product Code 1110422

Product Name DICHLOROMETHANE A.R.

Molecular Formula CH₂Cl₂ =84.93

CAS Number **75-09-2**

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2. Composition

Component	CAS No	EEC No	Conc w/w	Classification & Risk Phrases	Exp (See 8.1)
Dichloromethane	75-09-2	200-838-9	> 99.0%	Xn : R40 :Carc.Cat 3	WEL

3. Hazards Identification



Limited evidence of carcinogenic effect. Carcinogen category: 3

4. First Aid Measures

Eyes Irrigate thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 10 minutes, holding the eye open.

OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.

Skin Thoroughly wash off skin with soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing immediately and

wash before re-use.

Inhalation Remove from exposure. Keep warm and at rest. If there is difficulty in breathing give

oxygen if available. If breathing stops or shows signs of failing, apply artificial resuscitation. If unconscious place in the recovery position. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION

URGENTLY.

Ingestion If conscious give plenty of water to drink. Induce vomiting. If there is difficulty in

breathing give oxygen if available. If breathing stops or shows signs of failing, apply artificial resuscitation. If unconscious place in the recovery position. OBTAIN MEDICAL

ATTENTION URGENTLY.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Hazards Evacuate area immediately. Keep up wind. Avoid exposure to toxic vapours and fumes. Fire-

fighters should wear protective clothing and breathing apparatus. May evolve toxic fumes if

involved in a fire. Vapour-air mixtures are explosive.

Extinguishing

Media

Consider what other flammable materials are present and act accordingly. Use water spray to

keep fire exposed containers cool.

Unsuitable

Do not use water jet.

Media

6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal Avoid breathing vapour. Use approved personal protective equipment. Evacuate area

Protection immediately. Do not allow general use of area until it is safe to do so. Beware : vapour is

heavier than air and will tend to accumulate at low spots.

Environmental Keep material out of sewers, storm drains, surface waters and soil. Notify the

Environmental Agency and local Environmental Health Officer if major spillage occurs.

Major Spillage Contain and absorb on inert material. Transfer absorbent to salvage container for removal.

Wash area down with detergent and copious amounts of water.

Minor Spillage Contain and absorb on inert material. Transfer absorbent to container for removal. Allow

solvent to evaporate in remote area, then dispose of absorbent as solid chemical waste.

Wash area down with detergent and copious amounts of water.

7. Storage & Handling

Handling Precautions Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breath vapours. Do not allow to contaminate

clothing.

Ensure Local Exhaust Ventilation maintains vapour concentrations below the recommended

limits.

Storage Conditions Well ventilated, cool, dry storage . Protect from direct sunlight. Protect against moisture

to prevent decomposition and corrosion.

8.1 Workplace Exposure Limits

Component	CAS No	Workplace Expos	sure Limits	Maximum Exposure Limits	
		Long Term	Short Term	Long Term	Short Term
		ppm mg m–3	ppm mg m-3	ppm mg m-3	ppm mg m-3
Dichloromethane	75-09-2	100.0 350.0	300.0 1060	100.0 350.0	300.0 1060

Special Hazards Can be absorbed through skin.

8.2 Personal Protection

Respiratory Use L.E.V. or natural ventilation to maintain vapour concentrations below exposure limits.

If not, use a well maintained chemical cartridge organic vapour respirator, or use self

contained breathing apparatus.

Hands Use solvent resistant gloves.

Eyes Use chemical splash proof glasses or goggles.

Skin Avoid contact with skin. If skin contact or contamination of clothing is likely, protective

clothing must be worn.

9. Physical & Chemical Properties

Appearance Clear colourless liquid.

Odour Fresh and characteristic.

pH Not available
Boiling point 39.8 °C
Melting point 96.7- °C
Flash point Not available

Upper Flammable Limit 18.0 %
Lower Flammable Limit 12.0 %
Auto Ignition 600.0 °C

Explosive properties Moderate/severe in confined spaces.

Oxidising Properties No.

Vapour Presure 380 mmHg @ 22,C

Relative Density 1.3260

Water Solubility Insoluble in water.

10. Stability & Reactivity

hemical Stability Stable under normal conditions

Conditions to Avoid Hot surfaces and naked flames.

Materials to Avoid Strong oxidising agents. Lithium, sodium, potassium and hot aluminium. Nitric acid.

Hazardous Toxic phosgene fumes.

Decomposition Products

11. Toxicological Information

Eyes Both the vapour and liquid are, irritating to the eyes but unlikely to cause serious

injury.

Skin Both the vapour and liquid are, mildly irritating to the skin. Repeated exposure may cause

dermatitis.

LD50 Skin Not available

Ingest Low order of acute toxicity.

LD50 Ingest Oral Rat 2136 mg/kg

Inhalation Exposure to vapour concentrations above the occupational exposure limits may cause narcosis,

with symptoms as for 'drunkenness'. High concentrations of vapour may cause breathing problems, leading to bronchitis, pulmonary oedema and eventually unconsciousness.

Carcinogenicity Carcinogen - category 3. Epidemiological studies of workers exposed to dichloromethane is

inconclusive however cancers and tumours in rats and mice meet with the criteria for a

potential human carcinogen.

Mutagenicity May be a mutagen.

Reproductive Effects A greater risk of male sterility has been found in male workers. Increased rates of

spontaneous abortions have been found in female workers.

12. Ecological

Does not persist in the atmosphere. Slowly biodegradable in water and soil. Harmful to aquatic organisms.

13. Disposal Considerations

Disposal Methods Dispose of in a licensed incinerator for organic solvents.

Contaminated Packaging Use a licensed waste disposer.

14. Transport Information

Proper Shipping Name Dichloromethane

UN Number 1593
UN Classification 6.1 Toxic
Subsidiary Risk None
Flash Point Not available

Packing Group III
Transport Category 2
Marine pollutant No
ADR Hazard ID 60



15. Regulatory Information

Labelling Harmful.

Classification

Label Symbols Xr



15. Regulatory Information (continued)

Risk & safety Phrases Limited evidence of carcinogenic effect. Keep out of reach of children. Do not breath

vapour. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.

Carcinogen category: 3

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16. Other Information

Document Information This document has been prepared in accordance with directive 88/379/EEC.

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