

# Camlab Limited – Material Safety Data Sheet

## 1. Identification


Product Code **CC/2946-EH**

Product Name **TRICHLOROETHYLENE commercial**

Molecular Formula **CHClCCl<sub>2</sub> =131.39**

CAS Number **79-01-6**

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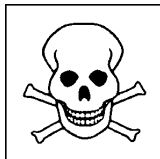
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## 2. Composition

| Component         | CAS No  | EEC No    | Conc w/w | Classification & Risk Phrases            | Exp (See 8.1) |
|-------------------|---------|-----------|----------|--|---------------|
| Trichloroethylene | 79-01-6 | 201-167-4 | > 99.5%  | T : R45,R36/38,R52/53,R67<br>:Carc.Cat 3 | WEL           |

## 3. Hazards Identification



May cause cancer. Irritating to eyes and skin. Harmful to aquatic organisms and may cause long term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. Vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness. 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 Media** Do not use water jet.

## 6. Accidental Release Measures

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

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| Handling Precautions | Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breath vapours. Do not allow to contaminate clothing.<br><br>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 Exposure Limits |                    |            |                    | Maximum Exposure Limits |                    |            |                    |
|-------------------|---------|---------------------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
|                   |         | Long Term                 |                    | Short Term |                    | Long Term               |                    | Short Term |                    |
|                   |         | ppm                       | mg m <sup>-3</sup> | ppm        | mg m <sup>-3</sup> | ppm                     | mg m <sup>-3</sup> | ppm        | mg m <sup>-3</sup> |
| Trichloroethylene | 79-01-6 | 100.0                     | 550.0              | 150.0      | 820.0              | 100.0                   | 550.0              | 150.0      | 820.0              |

Special Hazards Can be absorbed through skin.

## 8.2 Personal Protection

|             |   |
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| 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         | 86.7 °C                             |
| Melting point         | 87.0- °C                            |
| Flash point           | Not available                       |
| Upper Flammable Limit | 90.0 %                              |
| Lower Flammable Limit | 12.5 %                              |
| Auto Ignition         | 420.0 °C                            |
| Explosive properties  | Moderate/severe in confined spaces. |
| Oxidising Properties  | No.                                 |
| Vapour Pressure       | 100 mmHg @ 32,C                     |
| Relative Density      | 1.4640                              |
| Water Solubility      | 0.11%                               |

## 10. Stability & Reactivity

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| Chemical Stability               | Stable under normal conditions  |
| Conditions to Avoid              | Hot surfaces and naked flames.  |
| Materials to Avoid               | Strong oxidising agents. Reacts with potassium, sodium, lithium and their alloys producing explosive atmospheres of chloroacetylene and dichloroacetylene which will ignite in air. |
| Hazardous Decomposition Products | Toxic phosgene fumes.   |

## 11. Toxicological Information

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| Eyes                 | Both the vapour and liquid will, cause conjunctival irritation and corneal damage.   |
| Skin                 | Both the vapour and liquid are, mildly irritating to the skin. Repeated exposure may cause dermatitis.   |
| LD50 Skin            | Not available  |
| Ingest               | Ingestion causes similar effects to vapour inhalation.   |
| LD50 Ingest          | Oral Rat 4920 mg/kg  |
| Inhalation           | Exposure to vapour concentrations above the occupational exposure limits will produce central nervous system depression. High concentrations of vapour will cause narcosis. Death may follow due to respiratory failure. |
| Carcinogenicity      | Carcinogen - category 2. Has been shown to be carcinogenic in mice but not rats. There is no evidence for increased cancer incidence in man.   |
| Mutagenicity         | May be a mutagen.  |
| Reproductive Effects | None identified.   |
| Other Information    | 200ppm causes headache, giddiness, vertigo, depression and lack of co-ordination. Exposure to 5000ppm for a few minutes leads to narcosis and death.   |

## 12. Ecological

Small amounts present no specific environmental hazard.

## 13. Disposal Considerations

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| Disposal Methods       | Dispose of in a licensed incinerator for organic solvents. Do not dispose of as domestic waste. |
| Contaminated Packaging | Use a licensed waste disposer.  |

## 14. Transport Information

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|----------------------|-------------------|
| Proper Shipping Name | Trichloroethylene |
| UN Number            | 1710              |
| 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                |

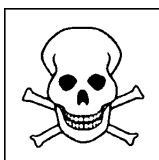


## 15. Regulatory Information

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| Labelling      | Toxic. |
| Classification |        |

Label Symbols

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## 15. Regulatory Information (continued)

Risk & safety Phrases    May cause cancer. Irritating to eyes and skin. Harmful to aquatic organisms and may cause long term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. Vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness. Avoid exposure - obtain special instruction before use. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label). Avoid release to the environment, refer to special instructions/safety data sheet. 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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