



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to the Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

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SECTION 1. Identification

Product identifier

Product number 822257
Product name Benzoic acid for synthesis

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses Chemical for synthesis

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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SECTION 2. Hazards identification

GHS Classification

Acute toxicity, Category 4, Oral, H302
Eye irritation, Category 2, H319

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

GHS-Labeling

Hazard pictograms



Signal Word
Warning

Hazard Statements

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Precautionary Statements

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

OSHA Hazards

This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

Other hazards

None known.

SECTION 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Formula	C ₆ H ₅ COOH	C ₇ H ₆ O ₂ (Hill)
CAS-No.	65-85-0	
Molar mass	122.12 g/mol	

Hazardous ingredients

Chemical Name (Concentration)

CAS-No.

Benzoic acid (<= 100 %)

65-85-0

SECTION 4. First aid measures

Description of first-aid measures

Inhalation

After inhalation: fresh air.

Skin contact

After skin contact: wash off with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing.

Eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Immediately call in ophthalmologist.

Ingestion

After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult a physician.

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

irritant effects, Diarrhea, Nausea, Vomiting, Stomach/intestinal disorders, Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No information available.

SECTION 5. Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Water, Carbon dioxide (CO₂), Foam, Dry powder

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Unsuitable extinguishing media

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Combustible material
Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.
Risk of dust explosion.
Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.
Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapors possible in the event of fire.

Advice for firefighters

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

Further information

Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray. Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

SECTION 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid substance contact. Avoid inhalation of dusts.
Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.

Advice for emergency responders: Protective equipment see section 8.

Environmental precautions

Do not empty into drains.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills.
Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10).
Take up dry. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

SECTION 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Observe label precautions.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Tightly closed. Dry.

Store at +5°C to +30°C (+41°F to +86°F).

SECTION 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Exposure limit(s)

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

Engineering measures

Technical measures and appropriate working operations should be given priority over the use of personal protective equipment.

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Individual protection measures

Protective clothing should be selected specifically for the workplace, depending on concentration and quantity of the hazardous substances handled. The chemical resistance of the protective equipment should be inquired at the respective supplier.

Hygiene measures

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply skin- protective barrier cream. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

Eye/face protection

Safety glasses

Hand 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.

Recommended:

full contact:

Glove material:	Nitrile rubber
Glove thickness:	0.11 mm
Break through time:	> 480 min

splash contact:

Glove material:	Nitrile rubber
Glove thickness:	0.11 mm
Break through time:	> 480 min

Respiratory protection

required when dusts are generated.

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.

SECTION 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical state	solid
Color	white
Odor	characteristic
Odor Threshold	No information available.
pH	2.5 - 3.5 at 68 °F (20 °C) (saturated solution)
Melting point	250 - 253 °F (121 - 123 °C)
Boiling point/boiling range	480 °F (249 °C) at 1,013 hPa

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Flash point	250 °F (121 °C) Method: c.c.
Evaporation rate	No information available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	No information available.
Lower explosion limit	No information available.
Upper explosion limit	No information available.
Vapor pressure	0.001 hPa at 68 °F (20 °C) 1.3 hPa at 205 °F (96 °C)
Relative vapor density	4.21
Relative density	1.321 g/cm ³ at 68 °F (20 °C)
Water solubility	2.9 g/l at 77 °F (25 °C)
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 1.88 (experimental) (IUCLID) Bioaccumulation is not expected (log Pow <1).
Autoignition temperature	No information available.
Decomposition temperature	No information available.
Viscosity, dynamic	No information available.
Sublimation point	> 212 °F (> 100 °C)
Ignition temperature	1058 °F (570 °C)
Bulk density	ca. 500 kg/m ³

SECTION 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

The following applies in general to flammable organic substances and preparations: in correspondingly fine distribution, when whirled up a dust explosion potential may generally be assumed.

Chemical stability

sublimable

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Possibility of hazardous reactions

Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapors with:

Fluorine, Oxygen

Exothermic reaction with:

bases, Oxidizing agents

Conditions to avoid

Temperatures above melting point.

Incompatible materials

no information available

Hazardous decomposition products

no information available

SECTION 11. Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects

Likely route of exposure

Eye contact, Skin contact, Ingestion

Target Organs

Mucous membranes

upper respiratory system

Skin

Eyes

Acute oral toxicity

LD50 rat: 1,700 mg/kg (IUCLID)

LDLO human: 500 mg/kg (RTECS)

Symptoms: Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhea, Irritations of mucous membranes in the mouth, pharynx, oesophagus and gastrointestinal tract.

Acute inhalation toxicity

LC50 rat: > 12.2 mg/l; 4 h (External MSDS)

Symptoms: Irritation symptoms in the respiratory tract.

Acute dermal toxicity

LD50 rabbit: > 5,000 mg/kg
(IUCLID)

Skin irritation

slight irritation

Eye irritation

rabbit

Result: Severe irritations

Causes serious eye irritation.

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Genotoxicity in vitro

Mutagenicity (mammal cell test):

Result: negative
(IUCLID)

Ames test

Result: negative
(Lit.)

Specific target organ systemic toxicity - single exposure

The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, single exposure.

Specific target organ systemic toxicity - repeated exposure

The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure.

Aspiration hazard

Regarding the available data the classification criteria are not fulfilled.

Carcinogenicity

IARC	No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
OSHA	No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.
NTP	No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
ACGIH	No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

Further information

After absorption of large quantities:

Stomach/intestinal disorders

Further data:

Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

SECTION 12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Toxicity to fish

LC50 *Lepomis macrochirus* (Bluegill sunfish): 44.6 mg/l; 96 h (External MSDS)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates

EC50 *Daphnia magna* (Water flea): 102 mg/l; 24 h (Lit.)

EC50 *Tetrahymen pyriformis*: 252 mg/l; 48 h (ECOTOX Database)

Toxicity to algae

IC50 algae: 10 - 100 mg/l; 72 h (External MSDS)

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Toxicity to bacteria

microtox test EC50 Photobacterium phosphoreum: 17 mg/l; 30 min

EC50 activated sludge: > 1,000 mg/l; 3 h

OECD Test Guideline 209

Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability

> 71 %; 5 d

OECD Test Guideline 301D

Readily biodegradable.

> 90 %; 2 d

OECD Test Guideline 302B

Easily eliminable.

Bioaccumulative potential

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water

log Pow: 1.88

(experimental)

(IUCLID) Bioaccumulation is not expected (log Pow <1).

Mobility in soil

No information available.

Other adverse effects

Additional ecological information

Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

SECTION 13. Disposal considerations

The information presented only applies to the material as supplied. The identification based on characteristic(s) or listing may not apply if the material has been used or otherwise contaminated. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical properties of the material generated to determine the proper waste identification and disposal methods in compliance with applicable regulations. Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.

SECTION 14. Transport information

Land transport (DOT)

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

Air transport (IATA)

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

Sea transport (IMDG)

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SECTION 15. Regulatory information

United States of America

OSHA Hazards

Eye irritant

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Target organ effects

This information is based on 29 CFR 1910.1200 criteria prior to adoption of the GHS, and may deviate from the GHS information on the label and in section 2.

SARA 311/312 Hazards

Acute Health Hazard
Chronic Health Hazard

US State Regulations

Massachusetts Right To Know

Ingredients
Benzoic acid

Pennsylvania Right To Know

Ingredients
Benzoic acid

New Jersey Right To Know

Ingredients
Benzoic acid

California Prop 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

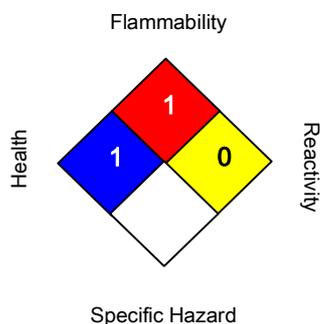
Notification status

TSCA: On TSCA Inventory

DSL: All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL list.

SECTION 16. Other information

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A)



Training advice

Provide adequate information, instruction and training for operators.

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Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

Used abbreviations and acronyms can be looked up at www.wikipedia.org.

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