

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Dimethyl sulfate  
Product Number : D186309  
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich  
CAS-No. : 77-78-1

### 1.2 Other means of identification

No data available

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

Identified uses : For R&D use only. Not for pharmaceutical, household or other uses.

### 1.4 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Merck Life Science Ltd  
Level 26 PwC Tower, 15 Customs Street West  
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NEW ZEALAND  
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### 1.5 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone # : 0800 425 459 (CHEMTREC NZ)  
+64 9 801 0034 (Int'l CHEMTREC)

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## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1 GHS Classification

Flammable liquids (Category 4), H227  
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3), H301  
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 1), H330  
Skin corrosion/irritation (Category 1C), H314  
Serious eye damage/eye irritation (Category 1), H318  
Skin sensitization (Category 1), H317  
Germ cell mutagenicity (Category 2), H341  
Carcinogenicity (Category 1), H350

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

## 2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

### Pictogram



### Signal Word

Danger

### Hazard Statements

H227	Combustible liquid.
H301	Toxic if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H330	Fatal if inhaled.
H341	Suspected of causing genetic defects.
H350	May cause cancer.

### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
P260	Do not breathe mist or vapors.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

#### Response

P301 + P310 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor. Rinse mouth.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.
P304 + P340 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
P308 + P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.

#### Storage

P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Restricted to professional users.

## 2.3 Other hazards - none

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## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Substance / Mixture : Substance

### 3.1 Substances

Formula : C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S  
Molecular weight : 126.13 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 77-78-1

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## Hazardous ingredients

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Methyl sulfate</b>		

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## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### General advice

First aiders need to protect themselves. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. Immediately call in physician. If breathing stops: immediately apply artificial respiration, if necessary also oxygen.

#### In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Call a physician immediately.

#### In case of eye contact

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

#### If swallowed

If swallowed: give water to drink (two glasses at most). Seek medical advice immediately. In exceptional cases only, if medical care is not available within one hour, induce vomiting (only in persons who are wide awake and fully conscious), administer activated charcoal (20 - 40 g in a 10% slurry) and consult a doctor as quickly as possible. Do not attempt to neutralise.

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

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

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

No data available

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## **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

### **5.1 Extinguishing media**

#### **Suitable extinguishing media**

Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Dry powder

#### **Unsuitable extinguishing media**

Foam Water

### **5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Carbon oxides

Sulfur oxides

Combustible.

Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

### **5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

### **5.4 Further information**

Remove container from danger zone and cool with water. Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

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## **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

### **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert. For personal protection see section 8.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

### **6.3 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 carefully with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

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## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

#### **Advice on safe handling**

Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture. Avoid generation of vapours/aerosols.

## **Advice on protection against fire and explosion**

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

## **Hygiene measures**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

For precautions see section 2.2.

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

### **Storage conditions**

Tightly closed. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

Moisture sensitive. Handle and store under inert gas.

### **Storage class**

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1A: Combustible, acute toxic Cat. 1 and 2 / very toxic hazardous materials

## **7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Ingredients with workplace control parameters**

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Methyl sulfate	77-78-1	WES-TWA	0.01 ppm 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	New Zealand. Workplace Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants
	Remarks	Skin sensitizer Known or presumed human carcinogen Skin absorption		

### **8.2 Exposure controls**

#### **Appropriate engineering controls**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

#### **Personal protective equipment**

##### **Eye/face protection**

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Tightly fitting safety goggles

##### **Skin protection**

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please

contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: [www.kcl.de](http://www.kcl.de)).

Full contact

Material: Chloroprene

Minimum layer thickness: 0.65 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested:KCL 720 Camapren®

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Splash contact

Material: Latex gloves

Minimum layer thickness: 0.6 mm

Break through time: 30 min

Material tested:Lapren® (KCL 706 / Aldrich Z677558, Size M)

## **Body Protection**

protective clothing

## **Respiratory protection**

required when vapours/aerosols are generated. Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

## **Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains.

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## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

a) Physical state	clear, liquid
b) Color	white
c) Odor	sweet
d) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: -32 °C
e) Initial boiling point and boiling range	75 - 77 °C at 15 hPa
f) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
g) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Upper explosion limit: 23.2 %(V) Lower explosion limit: 3.6 %(V)
h) Flash point	83 °C - closed cup

i)	Autoignition temperature	450 °C at 1,013 hPa
j)	Decomposition temperature	> 180 °C
k)	pH	No data available
l)	Viscosity	Viscosity, kinematic: No data available Viscosity, dynamic: 1.54 mPa.s at 30 °C
m)	Water solubility	28 g/l at 18 °C - Hydrolysis
n)	Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 0.032 - Bioaccumulation is not expected., (Lit.)
o)	Vapor pressure	1.5 hPa at 38 °C 0.9 hPa at 25 °C 0.35 hPa at 20 °C
p)	Density	1.333 g/cm3 at 20 °C
	Relative density	No data available
q)	Relative vapor density	No data available
r)	Particle characteristics	No data available
s)	Explosive properties	No data available
t)	Oxidizing properties	none

## 9.2 Other safety information

Relative vapor density 4.35 - (Air = 1.0)

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

A range from approx. 15 Kelvin below the flash point is to be rated as critical.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Risk of explosion with:

Ammonia

Amines

azides

Exothermic reaction with:

salts of oxyhalogenic acids

Strong oxidizing agents

Bases

nitrites

ammonium hydroxide  
alkalines  
Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapours with:  
Chlorites

#### **10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Avoid moisture.  
Strong heating.

#### **10.5 Incompatible materials**

No data available

#### **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

In the event of fire: see section 5

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### **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

#### **11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

##### **Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 85.1 - 133 mg/kg

Remarks: (ECHA)

Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 4 h - 0.6 mg/l - vapor

(Expert judgment)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

Dermal: No data available

##### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Causes burns. - 4 h

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

##### **Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Causes burns. - 7 Days

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

Remarks: Causes serious eye damage.

##### **Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Local lymph node assay (LLNA) - Mouse

Result: positive

(OECD Test Guideline 429)

Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

##### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

Suspected of causing genetic defects.

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: *Salmonella typhimurium*

Metabolic activation: without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: positive

Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro

Test system: Chinese hamster lung cells  
Metabolic activation: without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 473  
Result: positive  
Test Type: sister chromatid exchange assay  
Test system: Chinese hamster lung cells  
Metabolic activation: without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 479  
Result: positive

Test Type: Micronucleus test  
Species: Mouse  
Cell type: Red blood cells (erythrocytes)  
Application Route: Oral

Result: positive  
Remarks: (ECHA)

Test Type: dominant lethal test  
Species: Mouse  
Application Route: Intraperitoneal injection

Result: negative  
Remarks: (ECHA)

Test Type: Chromosome aberration test  
Species: Mouse  
Cell type: Embryo  
Application Route: Intraperitoneal

Result: positive  
Remarks: (ECHA)

### **Carcinogenicity**

Presumed to have carcinogenic potential for humans

### **Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

### **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

### **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

### **Aspiration hazard**

No data available

## **11.2 Additional Information**

RTECS: WS8225000

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., Fever, Headache, Symptoms may be delayed., To the best of our

knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated., Cough, Shortness of breath  
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## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

### **12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish	static test LC50 - <i>Leuciscus idus</i> (Golden orfe) - 14 mg/l - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	static test EC50 - <i>Daphnia magna</i> (Water flea) - 17 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202)
Toxicity to algae	static test ErC50 - <i>Desmodesmus subspicatus</i> (green algae) - 46.9 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201)
Toxicity to bacteria	static test EC50 - activated sludge - 376.6 mg/l - 3 h (OECD Test Guideline 209)

### **12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability	aerobic - Exposure time 28 d Result: 97 % - Readily biodegradable. (OECD Test Guideline 301E)
Ratio BOD/ThBOD	70 % Remarks: (Lit.)

### **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

### **12.4 Mobility in soil**

No data available

### **12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

### **12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties**

No data available

### **12.7 Other adverse effects**

No data available

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## **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

### **13.1 Waste treatment methods**

#### **Product**

Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself. See [www.retrologistik.com](http://www.retrologistik.com) for processes regarding the return of chemicals and containers, or contact us there if you have further questions.

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## **SECTION 14: Transport information**

### **14.1 UN number**

ADR/RID: 1595	IMDG: 1595	IATA-DGR: 1595
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### **14.2 UN proper shipping name**

ADR/RID:	DIMETHYL SULPHATE
IMDG:	DIMETHYL SULPHATE
IATA-DGR:	Dimethyl sulphate
Passenger Aircraft: Not permitted for transport	
Cargo Aircraft: Not permitted for transport	

### **14.3 Transport hazard class(es)**

ADR/RID: 6.1 (8)	IMDG: 6.1 (8)	IATA-DGR: 6.1 (8)
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### **14.4 Packaging group**

ADR/RID: I	IMDG: I	IATA-DGR: -
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### **14.5 Environmental hazards**

ADR/RID: no	IMDG Marine pollutant: no	IATA-DGR: no
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### **14.6 Special precautions for user**

None

### **14.7 Incompatible materials**

#### **Other regulations**

Hazchem Code : •3XE

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## **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

### **15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

#### **National regulatory information**

HSNO Approval Code: HSR002977

HSNO Group Standard Approval: Outside of Group Standard

Tracking Required: 6.1A, 6.1C

Approved Handler Cert.: not required

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## SECTION 16: Other information

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

H227	Combustible liquid.
H301	Toxic if swallowed.
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H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H341	Suspected of causing genetic defects.
H350	May cause cancer.

### Further information

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