1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name: Ethyl 4-hydroxybenzoate
Product Number: 111988
Brand: Aldrich
CAS-No.: 120-47-8

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

Identified uses: Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company: Sigma-Aldrich
3050 Spruce Street
SAINT LOUIS MO  63103
USA

Telephone: +1 800-325-5832
Fax: +1 800-325-5052

1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone #: (314) 776-6555

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 2), H401

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

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram: none
Signal word: none

Hazard statement(s)   Toxic to aquatic life.
H401

Precautionary statement(s)
P273 Avoid release to the environment.
P501 Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Synonyms: Ethylparaben

Formula: C₉H₁₀O₃
Molecular Weight: 166.17 g/mol
CAS-No.: 120-47-8
No ingredients are hazardous according to OSHA criteria. No components need to be disclosed according to the applicable regulations. For the full text of the H-statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice
Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact
Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact
Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Carbon oxides

5.3 Advice for firefighters
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information
no data available

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust. For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections
For disposal see section 13.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling
Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.
For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

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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**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

8.1 **Control parameters**

Components with workplace control parameters
Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

8.2 **Exposure controls**

Appropriate engineering controls
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

**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).

**Skin protection**
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove’s outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

- **Full contact**
  - Material: Nitrile rubber
  - Minimum layer thickness: 0.1 mm
  - Break through time: 480 min
  - Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

- **Splash contact**
  - Material: Nitrile rubber
  - Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
  - Break through time: 480 min
  - Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374
If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

**Body Protection**
Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

**Respiratory protection**
Respiratory protection is not required. Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

**Control of environmental exposure**
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.
9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance
   Form: crystalline
   Colour: white

b) Odour
   no data available

c) Odour Threshold
   no data available

d) pH
   no data available

e) Melting point/freezing point
   Melting point/range: 114 - 117 °C (237 - 243 °F) - lit.

f) Initial boiling point and boiling range
   297 - 298 °C (567 - 568 °F) - lit.

g) Flash point
   no data available

h) Evaporation rate
   no data available

i) Flammability (solid, gas)
   no data available

j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits
   no data available

k) Vapour pressure
   < 0.00 hPa (< 0.00 mmHg) at 25 °C (77 °F)

l) Vapour density
   no data available

m) Relative density
   1.291 g/cm3

n) Water solubility
   0.885 g/l at 25 °C (77 °F)

o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water
   log Pow: 2.47

p) Auto-ignition temperature
   495 °C (923 °F)

q) Decomposition temperature
   no data available

r) Viscosity
   no data available

s) Explosive properties
   no data available

t) Oxidizing properties
   no data available

9.2 Other safety information
   no data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity
   no data available

10.2 Chemical stability
   Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions
   no data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid
   no data available

10.5 Incompatible materials
   Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products
   Other decomposition products - no data available
11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity**
LD50 Oral - rat - > 3,100 mg/kg  
(OECD Test Guideline 401)

Inhalation: no data available

Dermal: no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - rabbit
Result: No skin irritation  
(OECD Test Guideline 404)

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
Eyes - rabbit
Result: No eye irritation  
(OECD Test Guideline 405)

**Respiratory or skin sensitisation**
Maximisation Test - guinea pig
Result: Did not cause sensitisation on laboratory animals.  
(OECD Test Guideline 406)

**Germ cell mutagenicity**
Hamster
fibroblast
Cytogenetic analysis

**Carcinogenicity**

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

**Reproductive toxicity**
no data available

Developmental Toxicity - rat - Oral
Specific Developmental Abnormalities: Other developmental abnormalities.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**
no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**
no data available

**Aspiration hazard**
no data available

**Additional Information**
RTECS: DH2190000
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish
LC50 - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - 15 mg/l - 96 h
(OECD Test Guideline 203)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates
EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 10 - 20 mg/l - 48 h
(ISO 6341)

Toxicity to algae
EC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae) - 37 mg/l - 72 h
(OECD Test Guideline 201)

12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability
Result: 88.4 % - Readily biodegradable.
(OECD Test Guideline 301F)

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential
Does not bioaccumulate.

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 Other adverse effects
An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.
Toxic to aquatic life.
no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)
Not dangerous goods

IMDG
Not dangerous goods

IATA
Not dangerous goods

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

SARA 302 Components
SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

SARA 313 Components
SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

SARA 311/312 Hazards
No SARA Hazards
Massachusetts Right To Know Components
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components
Ethylparaben  CAS-No.  120-47-8  Revision Date  2009-07-17

New Jersey Right To Know Components
Ethylparaben  CAS-No.  120-47-8  Revision Date  2009-07-17

California Prop. 65 Components
This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

16. OTHER INFORMATION
Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

H401  Toxic to aquatic life.

HMIS Rating
Health hazard:  1
Chronic Health Hazard:
Flammability:  0
Physical Hazard  0

NFPA Rating
Health hazard:  0
Fire Hazard:  0
Reactivity Hazard:  0

Further information
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