1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers
Product name : 2-Methoxyethanol

Product Number : 156205
Brand : Aldrich
Index-No. : 603-011-00-4

CAS-No. : 109-86-4

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against
Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis 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)
Flammable liquids (Category 3), H226
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 4), H332
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4), H312
Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B), H360
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 1), H370
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Category 2), H373

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 statement(s)
H226 Flammable liquid and vapour.
H302 + H312 + H332 Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled
H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.
H370 Causes damage to organs.
H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
Precautionary statement(s)

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.
P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.
P233 Keep container tightly closed.
P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.
P242 Use only non-sparking tools.
P243 Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301 + P312 + P330 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P304 + P340 + P312 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.
P307 + P311 IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P403 + P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405 Store locked up.
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 | Ethylene glycol monomethyl ether, Methyl glycol |
| Formula | CH3OCH2CH2OH |
| Molecular weight | 76.1 g/mol |
| CAS-No. | 109-86-4 |
| EC-No. | 203-713-7 |
| Index-No. | 603-011-00-4 |

Hazardous components

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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. Move out of dangerous area.

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. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

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

If swallowed
Do NOT induce vomiting. 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
No data available

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

5.4 Further information
Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES
6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas. 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.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

6.4 Reference to other sections
For disposal see section 13.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE
7.1 Precautions for safe handling
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge. 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. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

7.3 Specific end use(s)
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated.
8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

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Remarks: Potential for dermal absorption

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<td>TWA 0.1 ppm</td>
<td>USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)</td>
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Remarks: Hematologic effects, Reproductive effects, Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section), Danger of cutaneous absorption

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Skin designation: The value in mg/m³ is approximate.

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Biological occupational exposure limits

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.

Remarks: End of shift at end of workweek
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.

Body Protection
Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Respiratory protection
Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. 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.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance
   Form: clear, liquid
   Colour: colourless

b) Odour
   ether-like

c) Odour Threshold
   No data available

d) pH
   5.0 - 7.0 at 25 °C (77 °F)

e) Melting point/freezing point
   Melting point/range: -84.99 °C (-120.98 °F)

f) Initial boiling point and boiling range
   124 - 125 °C (255 - 257 °F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)

g) Flash point
   40 °C (104 °F) - closed cup

h) Evaporation rate
   No data available

i) Flammability (solid, gas)
   No data available

j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits
   Upper explosion limit: 24.5 % (V)
   Lower explosion limit: 2.5 % (V)

k) Vapour pressure
   10 hPa (8 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)

l) Vapour density
   2.63 - (Air = 1.0)

m) Relative density
   0.96 g/cm3

n) Water solubility
   soluble

o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water
   log Pow: -0.799

p) Auto-ignition temperature
   No data available

q) Decomposition temperature
   204 - 232 °C (399 - 450 °F)

r) Viscosity
   1.6 mm2/s at 20 °C (68 °F)

s) Explosive properties
   Not explosive
t) Oxidizing properties No data available

9.2 Other safety information
Relative vapour density 2.63 - (Air = 1.0)

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
Heat, flames and sparks.

10.5 Incompatible materials
Aluminum, Magnesium, Alkalis, Strong oxidizing agents

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides
Other decomposition products - No data available
In the event of fire: see section 5

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity
LD50 Oral - Rat - male - 2,257 mg/kg
(OECD Test Guideline 401)
LC50 Inhalation - Rat - 4 h - 12.4 - 17.8 mg/l
LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - 1,280 mg/kg
LD50 Intraperitoneal - Rat - 2,500 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - Rabbit
Result: No skin irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - Rabbit
Result: Mild eye irritation - 24 h
(OECD Test Guideline 405)

Respiratory or skin sensitisation
Maximisation Test - Guinea pig
Result: Does not cause skin sensitisation.

Germ cell mutagenicity
In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test
Chinese hamster ovary cells
Result: negative

OECD Test Guideline 475
Mouse - male
Result: negative

Carcinogenicity
No data available

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.

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**
May cause congenital malformation in the fetus.
Presumed human reproductive toxicant
May cause reproductive disorders.

Developmental Toxicity - Rat - Dermal

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

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
Oral - Testes, thymus

**Aspiration hazard**
No data available

**Additional Information**
Repeated dose Rat - male - Oral - NOAEL : < 71 mg/kg
toxicity
RTECS: Not available
Effects due to ingestion may include; Changes in the blood count, Headache, Central nervous system depression, Ingestion of large amounts may cause; Damage of the; Liver, Kidney, Central nervous system

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence
Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### 12.1 Toxicity

**Toxicity to fish**
static test LC50 - Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 10,000 mg/l - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203)

**Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates**
semi-static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 27,000 mg/l - 48 h

**Toxicity to algae**
static test EC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata - 25,500 mg/l - 72 h

#### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

**Biodegradability**
aerobic - Exposure time 20 d
Result: 88 % - Readily biodegradable

#### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No bioaccumulation is to be expected (log Pow <= 4).

#### 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

No data available
13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product
Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)
UN number: 1188 Class: 3 Packing group: III
Proper shipping name: Ethylene glycol monomethyl ether
Reportable Quantity (RQ):

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG
UN number: 1188 Class: 3 Packing group: III EMS-No: F-E, S-D
Proper shipping name: ETHYLENE GLYCOL MONOMETHYL ETHER
Marine pollutant:yes

IATA
UN number: 1188 Class: 3 Packing group: III
Proper shipping name: Ethylene glycol monomethyl ether

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

SARA 313 Components
The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

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SARA 311/312 Hazards
Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components

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California Prop. 65 Components

WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

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16. OTHER INFORMATION

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Acute Tox.  
Acute toxicity

Flam. Liq.  
Flammable liquids

H226  
Flammable liquid and vapour.

H302  
Harmful if swallowed.

H302 + H312 +  
Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

H332  
Harmful in contact with skin.

H360  
May damage fertility or the unborn child.

H370  
Causes damage to organs.

H373  
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

HMIS Rating

Health hazard: 1
Chronic Health Hazard: *
Flammability: 2
Physical Hazard 0

NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 1
Fire Hazard: 2
Reactivity Hazard: 0

Further information

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