

Safety Data Sheet

Benzoic Acid

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Benzoic Acid

Synonyms/Generic Names: Benzene Carboxylic Acid; Carboxybenzene; Dracylic Acid; Phenyl Carboxylic

Acid; Phenylformic Acid

SDS Number: 93.00

Product Use: For Educational Use Only

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

OSHA Hazards: Harmful by ingestion, Irritant, Harmful by inhalation.

Target Organs: None

Signal Words: Danger

Pictograms:





GHS Classification:

Acute toxicity, Oral	Category 5
Serious eye damage	Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity-single exposure	Category 3

GHS Label Elements, including precautionary statements:

Hazard Statements:

H303 May be harmful if swallowed.	
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.

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Precautionary Statements:

P261	Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapors/ spray.	
P280	Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.	
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact	
	lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.	

Potential Health Effects

Eyes	Causes eye irritation.
Inhalation	Harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
Skin	Harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
Ingestion	Harmful if swallowed.

NFPA Ratings

Health	2
Flammability	1
Reactivity	0
Specific hazard	Not Available

HMIS Ratings

Health	2
Fire	1
Reactivity	0
Personal	E

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component	Weight %	CAS#	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Benzoic Acid	100	65-85-0	200-618-2	C ₇ H ₆ O ₂	122.12 g/mol

4. FIRST- AID MEASURES

Eyes	In case of eye contact, rinse with plenty of water and seek medical attention.
Inhalation	Move casualty to fresh air and keep at rest. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not
	breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention.
Skin	Flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and
	wash using soap. Get medical attention.
Ingestion	Do Not Induce Vomiting! Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If
	conscious, wash out mouth with water. Get medical attention.

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable (and unsuitable)	Class II Combustible Liquid. Use water-spray, alcohol-resistant foam,	
extinguishing media	dry chemical or carbon dioxide.	
Special protective equipment	In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH/MSHA-	
and precautions for firefighters	approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full face piece	
	operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.	
Specific hazards arising from	Emits toxic fumes (carbon oxides) under fire conditions. (See also	
the chemical	Stability and Reactivity section)	

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment.	
emergency procedures	
Environmental precautions	Do not disperse dust into the air during clean-up. Any release to the

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	environment may require reporting to federal/national or local agencies.
Methods and materials for	Ventilate the release area. Do not disperse dust into the air during clean-
containment and cleaning up	up. Use appropriate tools to pick up any spill. Place in a closed container.
	Dispose of all waste or cleanup materials in accordance with regulations.
	Containers, even when empty, will retain residue and vapors.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a dry, cool, corrosion resistant and ventilated area. Protect against light. Protect exposed tissues. Do not ingest or breathe vapors. Do not become exposed to the material.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Occupational Exposure Controls: Contains no substances with occupational safety exposure limits.

Personal Protection

Eyes	Wear chemical safety glasses or goggles.
Inhalation	Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical. If exposure levels are excessive, use an approved respirator.
Skin	Wear nitrile or rubber gloves, apron or lab coat. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.
Other	Not Available

Other Recommendations

Provide eyewash stations, quick-drench showers and washing facilities accessible to areas of use and handling.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance (physical state, color, etc.)	White powder, crystals, chips, or granules, or white to light tan viscous, molten liquid.
Odor	Benzoin or benzaldehyde.
Odor threshold	Not Available
pH	Not Available
Melting point/freezing point	122°C (152°F)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	249°C (480°F)
Flash point	121°C (250°F) (closed cup)
Evaporation rate	Not Available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Class II Combustible Liquid.
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limit	Not Explosive
Vapor pressure	13 hPa (10 mmHg) at 132°C (270°F)
Vapor density	4.22 (air = 1)
Relative density	Not Available
Solubility (ies)	Not Available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 1.88
Auto-ignition temperature	570 - 573°C (1058 - 1063°F)
Decomposition temperature	Not Available

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10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability	Stable	
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Will not occur.	
Conditions to Avoid	Not Available	
Incompatible Materials	Oxidizers, strong bases, strong reducing agents	
Hazardous Decomposition Products	S Carbon oxides.	

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Skin	LD50 Dermal –rabbit - > 10000 mg/kg
Eyes	Eyes – rabbit – Severe eye irritation.
Respiratory	LC50 Inhalation – rat – 4 hours - >12.2 mg/l
Ingestion	LD50 Oral – rat – 1700 mg/kg

Carcinogenicity

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

Signs & Symptoms of Exposure

Skin	Redness, itching, burning
Eyes	Redness, itching, burning
Respiratory	Sneezing, coughing
Ingestion	May cause nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea

Chronic Toxicity	Not Available	
Teratogenicity	Not Available	
Mutagenicity	Not Available	
Embryotoxicity	Not Available	
Specific Target Organ Toxicity	Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation Lungs	
Reproductive Toxicity	Not Available	
Respiratory/Skin Sensitization	Not Available	

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Aquatic Vertebrate	LC50 – Gambusia affinis (mosquito fish) – 180 mg/l – 96 hours	
Aquatic Invertebrate	Not Available	
Terrestrial	EC50 – Scenedesmus quadricauda (Green algae) - > 10 mg/l – 14 days	

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Persistence and Degradability	Not Available	
Bioaccumulative Potential	Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) – 3 d	
	BCF: 5.3	
Mobility in Soil	Not Available	
PBT and vPvB Assessment	Not Available	
Other Adverse Effects	Not Available	

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Residues	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary before disposing of waste products or residues.
Product	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or
Containers	local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary
	before disposing of waste product container.

The information offered in section 13 is for the product as shipped. Use and/or alterations to the product may significantly change the characteristics of the material and alter the waste classification and proper disposal methods.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

US DOT	Not Dangerous Goods
TDG	Not Dangerous Goods
IMDG	Not Dangerous Goods
Marine Pollutant	No
IATA/ICAO	Not Dangerous Goods

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA Inventory Status	All ingredients are listed on the TSCA inventory.	
DSCL (EEC)	All ingredients are listed on the DSCL inventory.	
California Proposition 65	Not Listed	
SARA 302	Not Listed	
SARA 304	Not Listed	
SARA 311	Benzoic Acid	
SARA 312	Benzoic Acid	
SARA 313	Not Listed	
WHMIS Canada	D2B - Poisonous and infectious material - Other effects - Toxic	

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16. OTHER INFORMATION

Revision	Date
Revision 1	01/28/2013
Revision 2	06/24/2013

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