

## Chemical Safety Data Sheet MSDS / SDS

## Methyl o-toluate

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

## Product identifier

Product name : Methyl o-toluate  
CBnumber : CB3182730  
CAS : 89-71-4  
EINECS Number : 201-932-2  
Synonyms : METHYL 2-METHYLBENZOATE;O-TOLUIC ACID METHYL ESTER

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

Relevant identified uses : For R&D use only. Not for medicinal, household or other use.  
Uses advised against : none

## Company Identification

Company : Chemicalbook  
Address : Building 1, Huihuang International, Shangdi 10th Street, Haidian District, Beijing  
Telephone : 010-86108875

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

## GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Symbol(GHS)



Signal word

Warning

## Precautionary statements

P405 Store locked up.

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

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

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## Hazard statements

H315 Causes skin irritation

H319 Causes serious eye irritation

H335 May cause respiratory irritation

H227 Combustible liquid

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### Substance

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EC number	: 201-932-2
MF	: C9H10O2
MW	: 150.17

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## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### Eye Contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

### Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Get medical attention.

### Inhalation

Remove from exposure, lie down. Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention.

### Ingestion

Clean mouth with water. Get medical attention.

### Most important symptoms and effects

Difficulty in breathing. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

### Self-Protection of the First Aider

Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.

### Notes to Physician

Treat symptomatically.

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## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Dry chemical. Chemical foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.

### Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

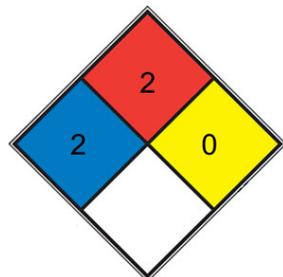
### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Combustible material. Containers may explode when heated.

### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

### NFPA 704



**HEALTH** 2 Intense or continued but not chronic exposure could cause temporary incapacitation or possible residual injury (e.g. [diethyl ether](#), ammonium phosphate, iodine)

**FIRE** 2 Must be moderately heated or exposed to relatively high ambient temperature before ignition can occur and multiple finely divided suspended solids that do not require heating before ignition can occur. Flash point between 37.8 and 93.3 °C (100 and 200 °F). (e.g. diesel fuel, [sulfur](#))

**REACT** 0 Normally stable, even under fire exposure conditions, and is not reactive with water (e.g. helium, [N<sub>2</sub>](#))

**SPEC.**  
**HAZ.**

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## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### Personal Precautions

Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

### Environmental Precautions

See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel, acid binder, universal binder, sawdust). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Do not let this chemical enter the environment. Remove all sources of ignition.

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

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## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### Handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

### Storage

Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame.

### Specific Use(s)

Use in laboratories

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## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### Control Parameters

### Monitoring methods

BS EN 14042:2003 Title Identifier: Workplace atmospheres. Guide for the application and use of procedures for the assessment of exposure to chemical and biological agents. MDHS70 General methods for sampling airborne gases and vapours

### Exposure Controls

### Engineering Measures

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye Protection

Goggles (European standard - EN 166)

#### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers	-	EN 374	(minimum requirement)
Butyl rubber	recommendations			
Nitrile rubber				
Neoprene				
PVC				

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves.

(Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g.

sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

#### Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

### **Respiratory Protection**

No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.

### **Large scale/emergency use**

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced

### **Small scale/Laboratory use**

Maintain adequate ventilation

### **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

### **Environmental exposure controls**

No information available.

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## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### **Information on basic physicochemical properties**

Clear

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### **Physical State**

Liquid

### **Odor**

pungent

### **Odor Threshold**

No data available

### **pH**

No information available

### **Melting Point/Range**

No data available

### **Softening Point**

No data available

### **Boiling Point/Range**

207 - 208 °C / 404.6 - 406.4 °F @ 8 mmHg

### **Flash Point**

82 °C / 179.6 °F Method - No information available

### **Evaporation Rate**

No data available

**Flammability (solid,gas)**

Not applicable Liquid

**Explosion Limits**

No data available

**Vapor Pressure**

12.9Pa at 23°C

**Vapor Density**

5.18 (Air = 1.0)

**Specific Gravity / Density**

1.070

**Bulk Density**

Not applicable Liquid

**Water Solubility**

Not miscible or difficult to mix in water.

**Solubility in other solvents**

No information available

**Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)**

No data available

**Component**

log Pow

Benzoic acid, 2-methyl-, methyl ester 3

**Autoignition Temperature**

No data available

**Decomposition Temperature**

No data available

**Viscosity**

No data available

**Explosive Properties**

explosive air/vapour mixtures possible

**Oxidizing Properties**

No information available

**Molecular Formula**

C<sub>9</sub> H<sub>10</sub> O<sub>2</sub>

**Molecular Weight**

150.18

**Colour**

Clear colorless

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**SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity****Stability**

Stable under normal conditions.

**Hazardous Reactions**

No information available.

**Hazardous Polymerization**

No information available.

**Conditions to Avoid**

Incompatible products. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

**Materials to avoid**

Strong oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

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**SECTION 11: Toxicological information****Product Information**

No acute toxicity information is available for this product

**(a) acute toxicity;****(b) skin corrosion/irritation;**

Category 2

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;**

Category 2

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;****Respiratory**

No data available

**Skin**

No data available

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;**

No data available

**(f) carcinogenicity;**

No data available

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

**(g) reproductive toxicity;**

No data available

**(h) STOT-single exposure;**

Category 3

**Results / Target organs**

Respiratory system

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;**

No data available

**Target Organs**

No information available.

**(j) aspiration hazard;**

No data available

**Other Adverse Effects**

The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

**Symptoms / effects,both acute and delayed**

Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

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## SECTION 12: Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity effects**

Do not empty into drains.

**Persistence and Degradability**

No information available

**Bioaccumulative Potential**

No information available

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
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Benzoic acid, 2-methyl-, methyl ester <sup>3</sup>	No data available
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### **Mobility in soil**

No information available

### **Endocrine Disruptor Information**

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

### **Persistent Organic Pollutant**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

### **Ozone Depletion Potential**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### **Waste from Residues/Unused Products**

Waste is classified as hazardous. Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives on waste and hazardous waste. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

### **Contaminated Packaging**

Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

### **Other Information**

Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

### **Road and Rail Transport**

Not Regulated

### **IMDG/IMO**

Not regulated

### **IATA**

Not regulated

### **Special Precautions for User**

No special precautions required

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## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### **International Inventories**

X = listed, China (IECSC), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), U.S.A. (TSCA), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), Korea (KECL).

Component	The Inventory of Hazardous Chemicals (2015 Edition)	List of dangerous goods GB 12268 - 2012	TCS	IECSC	EINECS	TSCA	DSL	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	KECL
Benzoic acid, 2-methyl-, methyl ester	-	-	X	X	201-932-2	X	-	X	X	X	X	-

## National Regulations

## SECTION 16: Other information

### Prepared By

Health, Safety and Environmental Department

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### Revision Summary

Not applicable.

### Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

### Legend

#### CAS

Chemical Abstracts Service

#### TSCA

United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b)

Inventory

#### EINECS/ELINCS

European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

#### DSL/NDSL

Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

#### PICCS

Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**ENCS**

Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**IECSC**

Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**AICS**

Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**KECL**

Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

**NZIoC**

New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**WEL**

Workplace Exposure Limit

**TWA**

Time Weighted Average

**ACGIH**

American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**IARC**

International Agency for Research on Cancer

**DNEL**

Derived No Effect Level

**PNEC**

Predicted No Effect Concentration

**RPE**

Respiratory Protective Equipment

**LD50**

Lethal Dose 50%

**LC50**

Lethal Concentration 50%

**EC50**

Effective Concentration 50%

**NOEC**

No Observed Effect Concentration

**POW**

Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**PBT**

Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

**vPvB**

very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

**ICAO/IATA**

International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air

Transport Association

**IMO/IMDG**

International Maritime Organization/International Maritime

Dangerous Goods Code

**ADR**

European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

**MARPOL**

International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**OECD**

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**ATE**

Acute Toxicity Estimate

**BCF**

Bioconcentration factor

**VOC**

(Volatile Organic Compound)

**Key literature references and sources for data**

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

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