

## 1 Identification

### Product identifier

**Product name:** Ethyl isothiocyanate

**Stock number:** L06741

**CAS Number:**

542-85-8

**EC number:**

208-831-2

**Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against.**

**Identified use:** SU24 Scientific research and development

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

#### Manufacturer/Supplier:

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## 2 Hazard(s) identification

### Classification of the substance or mixture in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)



GHS02 Flame

Flam. Liq. 3 H226 Flammable liquid and vapour.



GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 2 H300 Fatal if swallowed.

Acute Tox. 2 H310 Fatal in contact with skin.

Acute Tox. 2 H330 Fatal if inhaled.



GHS08 Health hazard

Resp. Sens. 1 H334 May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.



GHS05 Corrosion

Skin Corr. 1B H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.

**Hazards not otherwise classified** Lachrymator

### Label elements

**GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

### Hazard pictograms



GHS02 GHS05 GHS06 GHS08

### Signal word

**Danger**

### Hazard statements

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### Precautionary statements

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P284 Wear respiratory protection.

P284 In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

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

P320 Specific treatment is urgent (see on this label).

P361 Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing.

P405 Store locked up.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

### WHMIS classification

B2 - Flammable liquid

D1A - Very toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects

D2A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects

E - Corrosive material



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**Classification system**  
**HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)**  
**(Hazardous Materials Identification System)**

HEALTH	3	Health (acute effects) = 3
FIRE	3	Flammability = 3
REACTIVITY	1	Physical Hazard = 1

**Other hazards**  
**Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**  
**PBT:** Not applicable.  
**vPvB:** Not applicable.

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**3 Composition/information on ingredients**

**Chemical characterization: Substances**  
**CAS# Description:**  
542-85-8 Ethyl isothiocyanate  
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**4 First-aid measures**

**Description of first aid measures**  
**General information**  
Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.  
Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing has been completely removed.  
In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.  
**After inhalation**  
Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.  
Seek immediate medical advice.  
**After skin contact**  
Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.  
Seek immediate medical advice.  
**After eye contact** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.  
**After swallowing** Do not induce vomiting; immediately call for medical help.  
**Information for doctor**  
**Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**  
Causes severe skin burns.  
Fatal if inhaled.  
Fatal in contact with skin.  
Fatal if swallowed.  
Causes serious eye damage.  
May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.  
This product is a lachrymator.  
**Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed** No further relevant information available.

**5 Fire-fighting measures**

**Extinguishing media**  
**Suitable extinguishing agents** Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.  
**Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:  
**Advice for firefighters**  
**Protective equipment:**  
Wear self-contained respirator.  
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

**6 Accidental release measures**

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.  
Ensure adequate ventilation  
Keep away from ignition sources  
**Environmental precautions:** Do not allow product to reach sewage system or any water course.  
**Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).  
Use neutralizing agent.  
Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
**Prevention of secondary hazards:** Keep away from ignition sources.  
**Reference to other sections**  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling  
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.

**7 Handling and storage**

**Handling**  
**Precautions for safe handling**  
Handle under dry protective gas.  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.  
Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.  
Open and handle container with care.  
Prevent formation of aerosols.  
**Information about protection against explosions and fires:**  
Protect against electrostatic charges.  
Fumes can combine with air to form an explosive mixture.  
Keep ignition sources away.  
**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**  
**Storage**  
**Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.  
**Information about storage in one common storage facility:**  
Store away from water/moisture.  
Store away from oxidizing agents.

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**Further information about storage conditions:**

Store under dry inert gas.  
This product is moisture sensitive.  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.  
Protect from humidity and water.  
**Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

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**8 Exposure controls/personal protection**

**Additional information about design of technical systems:**

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

**Control parameters**

**Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

The product does not contain any relevant quantities of materials with critical values that have to be monitored at the workplace.

**Additional information:** No data

**Exposure controls**

**Personal protective equipment**

**General protective and hygienic measures**

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.  
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
Store protective clothing separately.  
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.  
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

**Breathing equipment:** Use self-contained respiratory protective device in emergency situations.

**Recommended filter device for short term use:**

Use a respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) as a backup to engineering controls. Risk assessment should be performed to determine if air-purifying respirators are appropriate. Only use equipment tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (USA) or CEN (EU).

**Protection of hands:**

Impervious gloves  
Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.  
The selection of suitable gloves not only depends on the material, but also on quality. Quality will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.

**Material of gloves** Fluorocarbon rubber (Viton)

**Penetration time of glove material (in minutes)** 480

**Glove thickness** 0.7 mm

**Eye protection:**

Tightly sealed goggles

Full face protection

**Body protection:** Protective work clothing.

**9 Physical and chemical properties**

**Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

**General Information**

**Appearance:**

**Form:** Liquid  
**Odor:** Pungent  
**Odor threshold:** Not determined.

**pH-value:** Not determined.

**Change in condition**

**Melting point/Melting range:** -6 °C (21 °F)  
**Boiling point/Boiling range:** 130-132 °C (266-270 °F)  
**Sublimation temperature / start:** Not determined

**Flash point:** 32 °C (90 °F)  
**Flammability (solid, gaseous)** Not determined.  
**Ignition temperature:** Not determined  
**Decomposition temperature:** Not determined  
**Auto igniting:** Not determined.

**Danger of explosion:** Product is not explosive. However, formation of explosive air/vapor mixtures is possible.

**Explosion limits:**

**Lower:** Not determined  
**Upper:** Not determined  
**Vapor pressure at 23 °C (73 °F):** 13 hPa (10 mm Hg)  
**Density at 20 °C (68 °F):** 0.995 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (8.303 lbs/gal)  
**Relative density** Not determined.  
**Vapor density** Not determined.  
**Evaporation rate** Not determined.

**Solubility in / Miscibility with**

**Water:** Not determined

**Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):** Not determined.

**Viscosity:**

**dynamic:** Not determined.

**kinematic:** Not determined.

**Other information** No further relevant information available.

**Additional information** This product may form a precipitate.

**10 Stability and reactivity**

**Reactivity** No information known.

**Chemical stability** Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

**Possibility of hazardous reactions** Reacts with strong oxidizing agents



**Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.

**Incompatible materials:**

Water/moisture

Oxidizing agents

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<b>Additional information:</b> This product may form a precipitate.	
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<b>11 Toxicological information</b>	
<b>Information on toxicological effects</b> <b>Acute toxicity:</b> Fatal if inhaled. Fatal in contact with skin. Fatal if swallowed. Danger through skin absorption. Swallowing will lead to a strong corrosive effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach. <b>LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:</b> No data <b>Skin irritation or corrosion:</b> Causes severe skin burns. <b>Eye irritation or corrosion:</b> This product is a lachrymator. Causes serious eye damage. <b>Sensitization:</b> May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. <b>Germ cell mutagenicity:</b> The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) contains mutation data for this substance. <b>Carcinogenicity:</b> No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH. <b>Reproductive toxicity:</b> No effects known. <b>Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure:</b> No effects known. <b>Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure:</b> No effects known. <b>Aspiration hazard:</b> No effects known. <b>Subacute to chronic toxicity:</b> No effects known. <b>Additional toxicological information:</b> To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known. <b>Carcinogenic categories</b> <b>OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety &amp; Health Administration)</b> Substance is not listed.	
<b>12 Ecological information</b>	
<b>Toxicity</b> <b>Aquatic toxicity:</b> No further relevant information available. <b>Persistence and degradability</b> No further relevant information available. <b>Bioaccumulative potential</b> No further relevant information available. <b>Mobility in soil</b> No further relevant information available. <b>Ecotoxicological effects:</b> <b>Remark:</b> Very toxic for aquatic organisms <b>Additional ecological information:</b> <b>General notes:</b> Do not allow product to reach ground water, water course or sewage system, even in small quantities. Danger to drinking water if even extremely small quantities leak into the ground. Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies. Avoid transfer into the environment. Very toxic for aquatic organisms <b>Results of PBT and vPvB assessment</b> <b>PBT:</b> Not applicable. <b>vPvB:</b> Not applicable. <b>Other adverse effects</b> No further relevant information available.	
<b>13 Disposal considerations</b>	
<b>Waste treatment methods</b> <b>Recommendation</b> Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal. <b>Uncleaned packagings:</b> <b>Recommendation:</b> Disposal must be made according to official regulations.	
<b>14 Transport information</b>	
<b>UN-Number</b> <b>DOT, IMDG, IATA</b>	UN2929
<b>UN proper shipping name</b> <b>DOT</b> <b>IMDG, IATA</b>	Toxic liquids, flammable, organic, n.o.s. (Ethyl isothiocyanate) TOXIC LIQUID, FLAMMABLE, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (Ethyl isothiocyanate)
<b>Transport hazard class(es)</b> <b>DOT</b>  <b>Class</b> <b>Label</b> <b>Class</b> <b>Label</b> <b>IMDG, IATA</b>  <b>Class</b> <b>Label</b>	6.1 Toxic substances. 6.1+3 6.1 (TF1) Toxic substances 6.1+3  6.1 Toxic substances. 6.1+3
<b>Packing group</b> <b>DOT, IMDG, IATA</b>	II
<b>Environmental hazards:</b>	Environmentally hazardous substance, liquid
<b>Special precautions for user</b>	Warning: Toxic substances
<b>Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Transport/Additional information:</b> <b>DOT</b> <b>Marine Pollutant (DOT):</b>	No

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UN "Model Regulation":

UN2929, Toxic liquids, flammable, organic, n.o.s. (Ethyl isothiocyanate), 6.1 (3), II

## 15 Regulatory information

**Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**  
**GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)  
**Hazard pictograms**



**Signal word** Danger

**Hazard statements**

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**National regulations**

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.  
All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL).

**SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)** Substance is not listed.

**California Proposition 65**

**Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer** Substance is not listed.

**Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity** Substance is not listed.

**Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female** Substance is not listed.

**Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male** Substance is not listed.

**Information about limitation of use:** For use only by technically qualified individuals.

**Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations**

**Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006.** Substance is not listed.

**The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed.**

**Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)** Substance is not listed.

**Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

## 16 Other information

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

**Department issuing SDS:** Global Marketing Department

**Date of preparation / last revision** 11/30/2016 / -

**Abbreviations and acronyms:**

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (USA)

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (USA)

NTP: National Toxicology Program (USA)

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

EPA: Environmental Protection Agency (USA)

Flam. Liq. 3: Flammable liquids, Hazard Category 3

Acute Tox. 2: Acute toxicity, Hazard Category 2

Skin Corr. 1B: Skin corrosion/irritation, Hazard Category 1B

Eye Dam. 1: Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Hazard Category 1

Resp. Sens. 1: Sensitisation - Respirat., Hazard Category 1