

# Safety Data Sheet

Catechol

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## Section 1 Product Description

**Product Name:** Catechol  
**Recommended Use:** Science education applications  
**Synonyms:** Phenolic  
**Distributor:** Carolina Biological Supply Company  
2700 York Road, Burlington, NC 27215  
1-800-227-1150  
**Chemical Information:** 800-227-1150 (8am-5pm (ET) M-F)  
**Chemtrec:** 800-424-9300 (Transportation Spill Response 24 hours)

## Section 2 Hazard Identification

Classification of the chemical in accordance with paragraph (d) of §1910.1200;

**DANGER**



Toxic if swallowed. Harmful in contact with skin. Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation. Suspected of causing cancer. Toxic to aquatic life.

### GHS Classification:

Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2, Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 2, Carcinogenicity Category 2, Hazardous to the aquatic environment - Acute Category 2, Acute Toxicity - Oral Category 3, Acute Toxicity - Dermal Category 4

**Other Safety Precautions:** IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

**Acute Toxicity Inhalation Gas Contains** 100 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown toxicity

**Acute Toxicity Inhalation Vapor Contains** 100 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown toxicity

**Acute Toxicity Inhalation Dust/Mist Contains** 100 % of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown toxicity

## Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>%</u>
Catechol (120-80-9) 99%	120-80-9	100

## Section 4 First Aid Measures

### Emergency and First Aid Procedures

**Inhalation:** In case of accident by inhalation: remove casualty to fresh air and keep at rest.

**Eyes:** IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

**Skin Contact:** IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

**Ingestion:** IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

## Section 5 Firefighting Procedures

**Extinguishing Media:** Use alcohol foam, carbon dioxide, or water spray when fighting fires involving this material.

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**Fire Fighting Methods and Protection:** Firefighters should wear full protective equipment and NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus.  
**Fire and/or Explosion Hazards:** N/A  
**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Carbon dioxide, Carbon monoxide

## Section 6 Spill or Leak Procedures

**Steps to Take in Case Material Is Released or Spilled:** Exposure to the spilled material may be severely irritating or toxic. Follow personal protective equipment recommendations found in Section 8 of this SDS. Personal protective equipment needs must be evaluated based on information provided on this sheet and the special circumstances created by the spill including; the material spilled, the quantity of the spill, the area in which the spill occurred, and the expertise of employees in the area responding to the spill. Never exceed any occupational exposure limits. Clean up spills immediately using Protective Equipment recommended in Section 8 at a minimum. Ventilate the contaminated area. Isolate area. Keep unnecessary personnel away. Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Prevent the spread of any spill to minimize harm to human health and the environment if safe to do so. Wear complete and proper personal protective equipment following the recommendation of Section 8 at a minimum. Dike with suitable absorbent material like granulated clay. Gather and store in a sealed container pending a waste disposal evaluation. Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches that lead to waterways. Absorb spill with inert material (e.g., dry sand or earth), then place in a chemical waste container

## Section 7 Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Avoid release to the environment. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Use personal protective equipment as required. Keep container tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place.  
**Storage:** Store locked up. Keep container tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place.  
**Storage Code:** Blue - Toxic. Store separately in a secured area.

## Section 8 Protection Information

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>ACGIH</u>		<u>OSHA PEL</u>	
	<u>(TWA)</u>	<u>(STEL)</u>	<u>(TWA)</u>	<u>(STEL)</u>
Catechol (120-80-9) 99%	5 ppm TWA	N/A	N/A	N/A

### Control Parameters

**Engineering Measures:** Local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls are normally required when handling or using this product to avoid overexposure. General room or local exhaust ventilation is usually required to meet employee exposure standards and/or to ensure employees are not overexposed to airborne material as described in Section III.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):** Lab coat, apron, eye wash, safety shower.

**Respiratory Protection:** No respiratory protection required under normal conditions of use. If an exposure limit is exceeded or if an operator is experiencing symptoms of inhalation overexposure as explained in Section III, provide respiratory protection.

**Respirator Type(s):** NIOSH approved air purifying respirator with dust/mist filter.

**Eye Protection:** Wear chemical splash goggles when handling this product. Have an eye wash station available.

**Skin Protection:** Avoid skin contact by wearing chemically resistant gloves, an apron and other protective equipment depending upon conditions of use. Inspect gloves for chemical break-through and replace at regular intervals. Clean protective equipment regularly. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking, and when leaving work. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking, and when leaving work. Where use can result in skin contact, practice good personal hygiene. Inspect gloves for chemical break-through and replace at regular intervals. Clean protective equipment regularly.

**Gloves:** Nitrile

## Section 9 Physical Data

**Formula:** C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>  
**Molecular Weight:** 110.11  
**Appearance:** Off-white to tan Solid

**Vapor Pressure:** 0.1 hPa at 35 °C  
**Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):** N/A  
**Vapor Density (Air=1):** 3.79

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**Odor:** No data available  
**Odor Threshold:** No data available  
**pH:** 6.0  
**Melting Point:** No data available 105 C  
**Boiling Point:** 245 C  
**Flash Point:** No data available 127 C  
**Flammable Limits in Air:** LEL: 1.4% UEL : N/A

**Specific Gravity:** 1.344  
**Solubility in Water:** Soluble  
**Log Pow (calculated):** 0.88  
**Autoignition Temperature:** 510 C  
**Decomposition Temperature:** No data available  
**Viscosity:** No data available  
**Percent Volatile by Volume:** N/A

## Section 10

## Reactivity Data

**Reactivity:** No data available  
**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal conditions.  
**Conditions to Avoid:** None known.  
**Incompatible Materials:** Oxidizing materials  
**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur

## Section 11

## Toxicity Data

**Routes of Entry:** Inhalation, Ingestion, and Skin contact.  
**Symptoms (Acute):** N/A  
**Delayed Effects:** No data available

### Acute Toxicity:

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Catechol (120-80-9) 99%	120-80-9	Oral LD50 MAMMAL 240 mg/kg Oral LD50 Rat 3890 mg/kg	Dermal LD50 Rabbit 800 mg/kg	Not determined

### Carcinogenicity:

Chemical Name	CAS Number	IARC	NTP	OSHA
Catechol (120-80-9) 99%	120-80-9	Listed	Not listed	Listed

### Chronic Effects:

**Mutagenicity:** No evidence of a mutagenic effect.  
**Teratogenicity:** No evidence of a teratogenic effect (birth defect).  
**Sensitization:** No evidence of a sensitization effect.  
**Reproductive:** No evidence of negative reproductive effects.  
**Target Organ Effects:**  
**Acute:** See Section 2  
**Chronic:** Certain components or species of this product are considered potential carcinogens., Reproductive data cited., Tumorigenic data cited., Mutation data cited.

## Section 12

## Ecological Data

**Overview:** Moderate ecological hazard. This product may be dangerous to plants and/or wildlife. Highly/very toxic to fish and other water organisms.  
**Mobility:** No data  
**Persistence:** No data  
**Bioaccumulation:** No data  
**Degradability:** No data  
**Other Adverse Effects:** No data

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Eco Toxicity
Catechol (120-80-9) 99%	120-80-9	48 HR EC50 DAPHNIA MAGNA 1.66 MG/L 6 HR EC50 CHLORELLA VULGARIS 50 - 135 MG/L

## Section 13

## Disposal Information

**Disposal Methods:** Dispose in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Local regulations. Always contact a permitted waste disposer (TSD) to assure compliance.  
**Waste Disposal Code(s):** Not Determined

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## Section 14

## Transport Information

**Ground - DOT Proper Shipping Name:**

UN2811, Toxic solids, organic, n.o.s (catechol), 6.1, III

**Air - IATA Proper Shipping Name:**

UN number: 2811 Class: 6.1 Packing group: III Proper shipping name: Toxic solid, organic, n.o.s. (Pyrocatecho

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## Regulatory Information

**TSCA Status:**

All components in this product are on the TSCA Inventory.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	§ 313 Name	§ 304 RQ	CERCLA RQ	§ 302 TPQ	CAA 112(2) TQ
Catechol (120-80-9) 99%	120-80-9	Catechol	No	100 lb final RQ; 45.4 kg final RQ	No	No

**California Prop 65:**

WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the state of California to cause cancer.

## Section 16

## Additional Information

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**Glossary**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service Number	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation	ppm	Parts per million
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
N/A	Not Available	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
		TLV	Threshold Limit Value
		TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
		IDLH	Immediately dangerous to life and health