

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Methanol

**Cat No. :** A450-4

**Synonyms** Methyl alcohol

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** No Information available

**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

**Company**  
Fisher Scientific  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

**Emergency Telephone Number**  
CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Flammable liquids	Category 2
Acute oral toxicity	Category 3
Acute dermal toxicity	Category 3
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors	Category 3
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 1
Target Organs - Optic nerve.	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 1
Target Organs - Kidney, Liver, spleen, Blood.	

**Label Elements**

**Signal Word**  
Danger

**Hazard Statements**  
Highly flammable liquid and vapor  
Toxic if swallowed  
Toxic in contact with skin  
Toxic if inhaled

Causes damage to organs  
Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking  
Keep container tightly closed  
Ground/bond container and receiving equipment  
Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment  
Use only non-sparking tools  
Take precautionary measures against static discharge  
Keep cool

#### Response

IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

#### Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing  
Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

#### Skin

Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell  
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse  
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower

#### Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician  
Rinse mouth

#### Fire

In case of fire: Use CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

#### Storage

Store locked up  
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

#### Other hazards

Poison, may be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed. Vapor harmful. Cannot be made non-poisonous.  
WARNING! This product contains a chemical known in the State of California to cause cancer.

### 3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

#### General Advice

Immediate medical attention is required. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in

	attendance.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects</b>	Breathing difficulties. May cause blindness: Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide. Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Water may be ineffective
<b>Flash Point</b>	12 °C / 53.6 °F
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	455 °C / 851 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	31.00 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	6.0 vol %
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Flammable. Risk of ignition. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO) Formaldehyde

### 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. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### NFPA

<b>Health</b>	<b>Flammability</b>	<b>Instability</b>	<b>Physical hazards</b>
1	3	0	N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.
<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

## 7. Handling and storage

<b>Handling</b>	Wear personal protective equipment. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not ingest. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use only non-sparking tools. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Flammables area.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Methyl alcohol	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 200 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Vacated) STEL: 250 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 325 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 6000 ppm TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 325 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWA EV
Methyl alcohol	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 262 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 328 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 310 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 200 ppm STEL: 250 ppm Skin

#### Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

<b>Engineering Measures</b>	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
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### Personal Protective Equipment

<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Provide regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	Colorless
<b>Odor</b>	Alcohol-like
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	Not applicable

Melting Point/Range	-98 °C / -144.4 °F
Boiling Point/Range	64.7 °C / 148.5 °F @ 760 mmHg
Flash Point	12 °C / 53.6 °F
Evaporation Rate	5.2 (ether = 1)
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	31.00 vol %
Lower	6.0 vol %
Vapor Pressure	128 hPa @ 20 °C
Vapor Density	1.11
Specific Gravity	0.791
Solubility	Miscible with water
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	455 °C / 851 °F
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	0.55 cP at 20 °C
Molecular Formula	CH4O
Molecular Weight	32.04
VOC Content(%)	100
Surface tension	0.02255 N/m @ 20°C

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Heat, flames and sparks. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Acid anhydrides, Acid chlorides, Strong bases, Metals, Peroxides
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO), Formaldehyde
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information

#### Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Methyl alcohol	Calc. ATE 60 mg/kg LD50 > 1187 – 2769 mg/kg ( Rat )	Calc. ATE 60 mg/kg LD50 = 17100 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	Calc. ATE 0.6 mg/L (vapours) or 0.5 mg/L (mists) LC50 = 128.2 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** Carbon tetrachloride

#### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

<b>Irritation</b>	May cause skin and eye irritation
<b>Sensitization</b>	No information available
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

<b>Mutagenic Effects</b>	No information available
<b>Reproductive Effects</b>	Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.
<b>Developmental Effects</b>	Developmental effects have occurred in experimental animals. Component substance is listed on California Proposition 65 as a developmental hazard.
<b>Teratogenicity</b>	Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.
<b>STOT - single exposure</b>	Optic nerve
<b>STOT - repeated exposure</b>	Kidney Liver spleen Blood
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	No information available
<b>Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed</b>	May cause blindness: Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
<b>Endocrine Disruptor Information</b>	No information available
<b>Other Adverse Effects</b>	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Methyl alcohol	Not listed	Pimephales promelas: LC50 > 10000 mg/L 96h	EC50 = 39000 mg/L 25 min EC50 = 40000 mg/L 15 min EC50 = 43000 mg/L 5 min	EC50 > 10000 mg/L 24h

**Persistence and Degradability** Persistence is unlikely based on information available.  
**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility.

Component	log Pow
Methyl alcohol	-0.74

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Should not be released into the environment.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Methyl alcohol - 67-56-1	U154	-

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

**UN-No** UN1230  
**Proper Shipping Name** METHANOL  
**Hazard Class** 3  
**Packing Group** II

### TDG

**UN-No** UN1230  
**Proper Shipping Name** METHANOL  
**Hazard Class** 3  
**Subsidiary Hazard Class** 6.1  
**Packing Group** II

### IATA

**UN-No** UN1230  
**Proper Shipping Name** METHANOL  
**Hazard Class** 3  
**Subsidiary Hazard Class** 6.1

<b>Packing Group</b>	II
<b>IMDG/IMO</b>	
<b>UN-No</b>	UN1230
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	METHANOL
<b>Hazard Class</b>	3
<b>Subsidiary Hazard Class</b>	6.1
<b>Packing Group</b>	II

## 15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: Complete Regulatory Information contained in following SDS's. Australia China Canada Europe TSCA Korea Philippines Japan

### International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Methyl alcohol	X	X	-	200-659-6	-		X	X	X	X	X

Legend:

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

### U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

### SARA 313

Component	CAS-No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	>95	1.0

### SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire Hazard	Yes
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

CWA (Clean Water Act) Not applicable

### Clean Air Act

Component	HAPS Data	Class 1 Ozone Depletors	Class 2 Ozone Depletors
Methyl alcohol	X		-

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Not applicable

### CERCLA

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Methyl alcohol	5000 lb	-

**California Proposition 65** This product contains the following proposition 65 chemicals

Component	CAS-No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL	Category
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	Developmental	-	Developmental

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Methyl alcohol	X	X	X	X	X

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y  
 DOT Marine Pollutant N  
 DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** Serious risk, Grade 3

**Canada**

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

**WHMIS Hazard Class** B2 Flammable liquid  
 D1A Very toxic materials  
 D2A Very toxic materials



**16. Other information**

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**End of SDS**