

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Benzyl alcohol  
**Cat No. :** L03292  
**CAS No** 100-51-6  
**Synonyms** Phenylmethanol  
**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

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

##### Company

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##### **Emergency Telephone Number**

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660.  
After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### **Classification**

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

Acute oral toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors	Category 4
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2

#### Label Elements

##### **Signal Word**

Warning

##### **Hazard Statements**

Causes serious eye irritation  
Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
Wear eye/face protection  
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

#### Response

Get medical attention/advice if you feel unwell

#### 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 if you feel unwell

#### 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

#### Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell  
Rinse mouth

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

## 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	>95

## 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	Difficulty in breathing. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media** Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media** No information available

**Flash Point** 96 °C / 204.8 °F

**Method -** No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** 435 °C / 815 °F

### Explosion Limits

**Upper** 13 vol %

**Lower** 1.3 vol %

**Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact** No information available

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Containers may explode when heated. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

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

### 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

**Health**  
2

**Flammability**  
1

**Instability**  
1

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal Precautions** Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation.

**Environmental Precautions** Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Handling** Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

**Storage.** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Store under an inert atmosphere. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

**Exposure Guidelines** This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

**Engineering Measures** Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**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>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**9. Physical and chemical properties**

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	Light yellow
<b>Odor</b>	aromatic
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	No information available
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	-15 °C / 5 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	205 °C / 401 °F
<b>Flash Point</b>	96 °C / 204.8 °F
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	13 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	1.3 vol %
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	0.13 mbar @ 20 °C
<b>Vapor Density</b>	3.72 (Air = 1.0)
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.044
<b>Solubility</b>	Soluble in water
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	435 °C / 815 °F
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	6.6 mPa.s at 20 °C
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C7 H8 O
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	108.14

**10. Stability and reactivity**

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Air sensitive. Hygroscopic.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Excess heat. Exposure to moist air or water. Exposure to air.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )
<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
Benzyl alcohol	LD50 = 1230 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 = 2 g/kg ( Rabbit )	LC50 > 4178 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ( Rat ) 4 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

**Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure**
**Irritation** Irritating to eyes

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	Not listed				

**Mutagenic Effects** Not mutagenic in AMES Test

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** None known

**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity**

Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Benzyl alcohol	Not listed	LC50: = 460 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 10 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus)	Not listed	EC50: = 23 mg/L, 48h (water flea)

**Persistence and Degradability** Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

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

Component	log Pow
Benzyl alcohol	1.05

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

<b>DOT</b>	Not regulated
<b>TDG</b>	Not regulated
<b>IATA</b>	Not regulated
<b>IMDG/IMO</b>	Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory information

### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	X	ACTIVE	-

#### Legend:

**TSCA** US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

**TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)** Not applicable

**TSCA 12(b)** - Notices of Export Not applicable

### International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	X	-	202-859-9	X	X	X	X	X	KE-02570

**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

### U.S. Federal Regulations

**SARA 313** Not applicable

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories** See section 2 for more information

**CWA (Clean Water Act)** Not applicable

**Clean Air Act** Not applicable

**OSHA** - Occupational Safety and Health Administration Not applicable

**CERCLA** Not applicable

**California Proposition 65** This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

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

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Benzyl alcohol	X	-	X	-	-

### U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ): N

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** Slight risk, Grade 1

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH** Not applicable

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	-	-	-

#### Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

### 16. Other information

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