

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Buffer Solution (Acetate), pH 4.00 (Certified)

**Cat No. :** SB85-1

**Synonyms** None

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

#### 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)

Corrosive to metals	Category 1
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	

#### Label Elements

##### **Signal Word**

Danger

##### **Hazard Statements**

May be corrosive to metals  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
May cause respiratory irritation



**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
 Keep container tightly closed

**Response**

Immediately 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

**Skin**

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower  
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

**Eyes**

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

**Ingestion**

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting

**Storage**

Store locked up  
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

WARNING! This product contains a chemical known in the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

### 3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Acetic acid	64-19-7	47.8
Water	7732-18-5	28.0
Sodium acetate	127-09-3	24.4
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	0.05
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	0.02

### 4. First-aid measures

<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. Causes burns by all exposure routes. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Corrosive Material. Non-combustible, substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive and/or toxic fumes.

### 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

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

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Avoid release to 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.

## 7. Handling and storage

<b>Handling</b>	Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Do not ingest.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Acetic acid	TWA: 10 ppm STEL: 15 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 10 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 25 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 10 ppm TWA: 25 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 50 ppm TWA: 10 ppm TWA: 25 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 15 ppm STEL: 37 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 10 ppm TWA: 25 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 15 ppm STEL: 37 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Formaldehyde	Ceiling: 0.3 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 3 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 10 ppm (Vacated) Ceiling: 5 ppm TWA: 0.75 ppm STEL: 2 ppm	IDLH: 20 ppm TWA: 0.016 ppm Ceiling: 0.1 ppm	Ceiling: 2 ppm Ceiling: 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
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>	TWA: 200 ppm TWA: 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 250 ppm STEL: 310 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

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

**Engineering Measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**Personal Protective Equipment****Eye/face Protection**

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.

**Skin and body protection**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection**

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.

**Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	Clear
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	4.00
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	No data available
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available
<b>Vapor Density</b>	0.7
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.0 - 1.2
<b>Solubility</b>	Soluble in water
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available

Autoignition Temperature	No information available
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	No information available
VOC Content(%)	72.2699988558888

## 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Excess heat.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases, Metals
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

Oral LD50	Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.
Dermal LD50	Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg.
Vapor LC50	Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 20 mg/l.

### Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Acetic acid	3310 mg/kg ( Rat )	-	> 40 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h
Water	-	Not listed	Not listed
Sodium acetate	LD50 = 3530 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 > 10 g/kg ( Rabbit )	LC50 > 30 g/m <sup>3</sup> ( Rat ) 1 h
Formaldehyde	500 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 = 270 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	0.578 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h
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** No information available

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

**Irritation** Causes burns by all exposure routes

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** This product contains one or more substances which are classified by IARC as carcinogenic to humans (Group I), probably carcinogenic to humans (Group 2A) or possibly carcinogenic to humans (Group 2B).

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Acetic acid	64-19-7	Not listed				
Water	7732-18-5	Not listed				
Sodium acetate	127-09-3	Not listed				
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	Group 1	Known	A2	X	A2
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	Not listed				

IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

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Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans

NTP: (National Toxicity Program)

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ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)

Mexico - Occupational Exposure Limits - Carcinogens

Known - Known Carcinogen  
 Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human Carcinogen  
 A1 - Known Human Carcinogen  
 A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen  
 A3 - Animal Carcinogen  
 ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)  
 Mexico - Occupational Exposure Limits - Carcinogens  
 A1 - Confirmed Human Carcinogen  
 A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen  
 A3 - Confirmed Animal Carcinogen  
 A4 - Not Classifiable as a Human Carcinogen  
 A5 - Not Suspected as a Human Carcinogen

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** Respiratory system  
**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: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

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

## 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity**

Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Acetic acid	-	Pimephales promelas: LC50 = 88 mg/L/96h Lepomis macrochirus: LC50 = 75 mg/L/96h	Photobacterium phosphoreum: EC50 = 8.8 mg/L/15 min Photobacterium phosphoreum: EC50 = 8.8 mg/L/25 min Photobacterium phosphoreum: EC50 = 8.8 mg/L/5 min	EC50 = 95 mg/L/24h
Sodium acetate	-	LC50: = 5000 mg/L, 24h static (Lepomis macrochirus)	= 7200 mg/L EC50 Pseudomonas putida 18 h	EC50: > 1000 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)
Formaldehyde	Not listed	Leuciscus idus: LC50 = 15 mg/L 96h	Not listed	EC50 = 20 mg/L 96h EC50 = 2 mg/L 48h
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** No information available

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** .

Component	log Pow
Acetic acid	-0.2
Sodium acetate	-4.22
Formaldehyde	-0.35
Methyl alcohol	-0.74

### 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.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Formaldehyde - 50-00-0	U122	-
Methyl alcohol - 67-56-1	U154	-

### 14. Transport information

#### DOT

**UN-No** UN2790  
**Proper Shipping Name** Acetic acid solution  
**Hazard Class** 8  
**Packing Group** III

#### TDG

**UN-No** UN2790  
**Proper Shipping Name** ACETIC ACID SOLUTION (Not less than 50% but not more than 80% acid by weight)  
**Hazard Class** 8  
**Packing Group** III

#### IATA

**UN-No** UN2790  
**Proper Shipping Name** ACETIC ACID SOLUTION (Not less than 50% but not more than 80% acid by weight)  
**Hazard Class** 8  
**Packing Group** III

#### IMDG/IMO

**UN-No** UN2790  
**Proper Shipping Name** ACETIC ACID SOLUTION (Not less than 50% but not more than 80% acid by weight)  
**Hazard Class** 8  
**Packing Group** III

### 15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: Australia X = listed China Canada Europe TSCA Korea Philippines

#### International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Acetic acid	X	X	-	200-580-7	-		X	X	X	X	X
Water	X	X	-	231-791-2	-		X	-	X	X	X
Sodium acetate	X	X	-	204-823-8	-		X	X	X	X	X
Formaldehyde	X	X	-	200-001-8	-		X	X	X	X	X
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 %
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	0.05	0.1
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	0.02	1.0

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

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

**CWA (Clean Water Act)**

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Acetic acid	X	5000 lb	-	-
Formaldehyde	X	100 lb	-	-

**Clean Air Act**

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

**OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

Component	Specifically Regulated Chemicals	Highly Hazardous Chemicals
Formaldehyde	2 ppm STEL 0.5 ppm Action Level 0.75 ppm TWA	TQ: 1000 lb

**CERCLA**

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Acetic acid	5000 lb	-
Formaldehyde	100 lb	100 lb
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
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	Carc. (Gaseous only)	40 µg/day	Carcinogen
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	Developmental	-	Developmental

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

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Acetic acid	X	X	X	-	X
Water	-	-	X	-	-
Formaldehyde	X	X	X	X	X
Methyl alcohol	X	X	X	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 contains the following DHS chemicals:

Component	DHS Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standard
Formaldehyde	11250 lb STQ (solution)

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** No information available

## 16. Other information

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**Disclaimer**

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**End of SDS**