

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Tetrahydrofuran

Product Number : 401757  
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich  
Index-No. : 603-025-00-0

CAS-No. : 109-99-9

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

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

Company : Sigma-Aldrich  
3050 Spruce Street  
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USA

Telephone : +1 800-325-5832  
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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency Phone # : (314) 776-6555

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**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**

Flammable liquids (Category 2), H225  
Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319  
Carcinogenicity (Category 2), H351  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

**2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements**

Pictogram



Signal word : Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H225 : Highly flammable liquid and vapour.  
H319 : Causes serious eye irritation.  
H335 : May cause respiratory irritation.  
H351 : Suspected of causing cancer.

Precautionary statement(s)

P201 : Obtain special instructions before use.  
P202 : Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
P210 : Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.  
P233 : Keep container tightly closed.

P240	Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
P241	Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.
P242	Use only non-sparking tools.
P243	Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P261	Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P308 + P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P403 + P235	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS

May form explosive peroxides.  
May form explosive peroxides.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms	: THF
Formula	: C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O
Molecular Weight	: 72.11 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 109-99-9
EC-No.	: 203-726-8
Index-No.	: 603-025-00-0
Registration number	: 01-2119444314-46-XXXX

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Tetrahydrofuran</b>	Flam. Liq. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; Carc. 2; STOT SE 3; H225, H319, H335, H351	90 - 100 %

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

**If swallowed**

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

**4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

no data available

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**5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES****5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Carbon oxides

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

**5.4 Further information**

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

**6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

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**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Use explosion-proof equipment. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

For precautions see section 2.2.

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Dry residue is explosive. Store under inert gas. Test for peroxide formation periodically and before distillation.

**7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION****8.1 Control parameters****Components with workplace control parameters**

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	TWA	50 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Central Nervous System impairment Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Kidney damage Confirmed animal carcinogen with unknown relevance to humans Danger of cutaneous absorption		
		STEL	100 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
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		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		ST	250 ppm 735 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		
		STEL	250 ppm 735 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000

#### Biological occupational exposure limits

Component	CAS-No.	Parameters	Value	Biological specimen	Basis
Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	Tetrahydrofuran	2 mg/l	Urine	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)
	Remarks	End of shift (As soon as possible after exposure ceases)			

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)

Application Area	Exposure routes	Health effect	Value
Workers	Skin contact	Long-term systemic effects	25mg/kg BW/d
Consumers	Skin contact	Long-term systemic effects	15mg/kg BW/d
Workers	Inhalation	Long-term local effects	150 mg/m3
Workers	Inhalation	Long-term systemic effects	150 mg/m3
Consumers	Inhalation	Long-term systemic effects	62 mg/m3
Consumers	Inhalation	Acute local effects	150 mg/m3
Consumers	Inhalation	Acute systemic effects	150 mg/m3

#### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

Compartment	Value
Soil	2.13 mg/kg
Marine water	0.432 mg/l
Fresh water	4.32 mg/l
Marine sediment	2.33 mg/kg
Fresh water sediment	23.3 mg/kg
Onsite sewage treatment plant	4.6 mg/l

## 8.2 Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### Splash contact

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.3 mm

Break through time: 18 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 897 / Aldrich Z677647, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

#### Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

#### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type AXBEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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| a) Appearance                              | Form: liquid, clear<br>Colour: colourless |
| b) Odour                                   | no data available                         |
| c) Odour Threshold                         | no data available                         |
| d) pH                                      | no data available                         |
| e) Melting point/freezing point            | -108.0 °C (-162.4 °F)                     |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range | 65.0 - 67.0 °C (149.0 - 152.6 °F)         |
| g) Flash point                             | -17.0 °C (1.4 °F) - closed cup            |
| h) Evaporation rate                        | no data available                         |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)               | no data available                         |
| j) Upper/lower                             | Upper explosion limit: 11.8 %(V)          |

flammability or explosive limits	Lower explosion limit: 1.8 %(V)
k) Vapour pressure	152.0 hPa (114.0 mmHg) at 15.0 °C (59.0 °F) 190.7 hPa (143.0 mmHg) at 20.0 °C (68.0 °F) 213.3 hPa (160.0 mmHg) at 25.0 °C (77.0 °F) 373.3 hPa (280.0 mmHg) at 38.0 °C (100.4 °F)
l) Vapour density	no data available
m) Relative density	0.89 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
n) Water solubility	soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: < 1
p) Auto-ignition temperature	321.0 °C (609.8 °F)
q) Decomposition temperature	no data available
r) Viscosity	0.512 mm <sup>2</sup> /s at 25 °C (77 °F) - 0.403 mm <sup>2</sup> /s at 50 °C (122 °F) -
s) Explosive properties	no data available
t) Oxidizing properties	no data available

## 9.2 Other safety information

no data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

no data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Test for peroxide formation before distillation or evaporation. Test for peroxide formation or discard after 1 year.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks. Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Oxidizing agents, Oxygen

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - no data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - rat - 2,050 - 2,850 mg/kg

LC50 Inhalation - rat - 4 h - 54 mg/l

LD50 Dermal - rat - > 2,000 mg/kg

no data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - rabbit

Result: Mild skin irritation

(Draize Test)

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - rabbit

Result: Risk of serious damage to eyes.  
(Draize Test)

**Respiratory or skin sensitisation**

- guinea pig

Did not cause sensitisation on laboratory animals.

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

In vivo tests did not show mutagenic effects

Ames test

S. typhimurium

Result: negative

**Carcinogenicity**

Suspected human carcinogens

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

**Reproductive toxicity**

no data available

No toxicity to reproduction

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

May cause drowsiness or dizziness. - Nervous system

May cause respiratory irritation.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure.

**Aspiration hazard**

No aspiration toxicity classification

**Additional Information**

RTECS: LU5950000

Central nervous system depression, Cough, chest pain, Difficulty in breathing, Exposure to high airborne concentrations can cause anesthetic effects., To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 2,160 mg/l - 96 h

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 382 mg/l - 24 h

Toxicity to algae Growth inhibition IC50 - Algae - 3,700 mg/l - 192 h

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability

(OECD Test Guideline 301)

Remarks: According to the results of tests of biodegradability this product is not readily biodegradable.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No bioaccumulation is to be expected (log Pow <= 4).

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

no data available

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

**12.6 Other adverse effects**

no data available

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**13.1 Waste treatment methods**

**Product**

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**DOT (US)**

UN number: 2056      Class: 3      Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Tetrahydrofuran  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 1000 lbs  
Marine pollutant: No  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**

UN number: 2056      Class: 3      Packing group: II      EMS-No: F-E, S-D  
Proper shipping name: TETRAHYDROFURAN  
Marine pollutant: No

**IATA**

UN number: 2056      Class: 3      Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Tetrahydrofuran

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	1993-04-24

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	1993-04-24

**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

CAS-No.	Revision Date
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**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION****Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.**

Carc.	Carcinogenicity
Eye Irrit.	Eye irritation
Flam. Liq.	Flammable liquids
H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapour.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H351	Suspected of causing cancer.
STOT SE	Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

**HMIS Rating**

Health hazard:	2
Chronic Health Hazard:	*
Flammability:	3
Physical Hazard	0

**NFPA Rating**

Health hazard:	2
Fire Hazard:	3
Reactivity Hazard:	0

**Further information**

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