

## Material Safety Data Sheet

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1 - Product and Company Information

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Product Name	BENZYL CHLORIDE
Product Number	13270
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2 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

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Product Name	CAS #	EC no	Annex I Index Number
BENZYL CHLORIDE	100-44-7	202-853-6	602-037-00-3

Formula	C7H7Cl
Molecular Weight	126.59 AMU
Synonyms	Benzene, (chloromethyl)- * Benzile (cloruro di) (Italian) * Benzyl chloride (ACGIH:OSHA) * Benzyle (chlorure de) (French) * Benzylchlorid (German) * Chloromethylbenzene * Chlorophenylmethane * alpha-Chlorotoluene * omega-Chlorotoluene * alpha-Chlortoluol (German) * Chlorure de benzyle (French) * NCI-C06360 * RCRA waste number P028 * Toly chloride

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3 - Hazards Identification

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## SPECIAL INDICATION OF HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

May cause cancer. Harmful if swallowed. Toxic by inhalation.  
Irritating to respiratory system and skin. Risk of serious damage  
to eyes. Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged  
exposure if swallowed.  
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4 - First Aid Measures

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## AFTER INHALATION

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If breathing becomes difficult,  
call a physician.

## AFTER SKIN CONTACT

In case of contact, immediately wash skin with soap and copious  
amounts of water.

## AFTER EYE CONTACT

In case of contact with eyes, flush with copious amounts of  
water for at least 15 minutes. Assure adequate flushing by  
separating the eyelids with fingers. Call a physician.

#### AFTER INGESTION

If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Call a physician.

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### 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

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#### CONDITIONS OF FLAMMABILITY

Water hydrolyzes material liberating acidic gas which in contact with metal surfaces can generate flammable and/or explosive hydrogen gas.

#### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

Suitable: Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

Unsuitable: Do not use water.

#### SPECIAL RISKS

Specific Hazard(s): Combustible liquid. Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

Explosion Hazards: Stabilized and unstabilized benzyl chloride will undergo a rapid, exothermic polymerization reaction above 212°F (100°C). This reaction occurs at much lower temperatures when species of iron are present. The gases generated during rapid polymerization will result in rapid build-up of dangerous pressure in closed vessels

#### SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIREFIGHTERS

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.

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### 6 - Accidental Release Measures

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#### PERSONAL PRECAUTION PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED IN CASE OF LEAK OR SPILL

Evacuate area.

#### PROCEDURE(S) OF PERSONAL PRECAUTION(S)

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus, rubber boots, and heavy rubber gloves. Wear disposable coveralls and discard them after use.

#### METHODS FOR CLEANING UP

Absorb on sand or vermiculite and place in closed containers for disposal. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete.

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### 7 - Handling and Storage

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#### HANDLING

Directions for Safe Handling: Do not breathe vapor. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

#### STORAGE

Conditions of Storage: Keep tightly closed. Keep away from heat and open flame. Store in a cool dry place.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Moisture sensitive.

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### 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

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#### ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Use only in a chemical fume hood. Safety shower and eye bath.

#### GENERAL HYGIENE MEASURES

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Wash thoroughly after handling.

#### EXPOSURE LIMITS

Country	Source	Type	Value
Poland		NDS	3 MG/M3
Poland		NDSCh	-
Poland		NDSP	5 MG/M3

#### EXPOSURE LIMITS - DENMARK

Source	Type	Value
OEL	TWA	5 mg/m3
		1 ppm

Remarks: LK

#### EXPOSURE LIMITS - GERMANY

Source	Type	Value
TRGS 900	OEL	0.2 mg/m3

Remarks: 4

Remarks: TRK,32,TRGS 901-75

#### EXPOSURE LIMITS - NORWAY

Source	Type	Value
	OEL	5 mg/m3
		1 ppm

Remarks: TK

#### EXPOSURE LIMITS - SWEDEN

Source	Type	Value
	LLV (Level)	5 mg/m3
		1 ppm

Remarks: K

#### EXPOSURE LIMITS - SWITZERLAND

Source	Type	Value
OEL	OEL	1 ppm
		0.2mg/m3*

Remarks: K

#### EXPOSURE LIMITS - UNITED KINGDOM

Source	Type	Value
OEL	OEL	2.6 mg/m3
		0.5 ppm
OEL	STEL	7.9 mg/m3
		1.5 ppm

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Respiratory Protection: Government approved respirator in nonventilated areas and/or for exposure above the TLV or PEL.

Hand Protection: Compatible chemical-resistant gloves.

Eye Protection: Chemical safety goggles.

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### 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

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Appearance	Physical State: Liquid
	Color: Colorless

Property	Value	At Temperature or Pressure
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pH	N/A	
BP/BP Range	65 - 67 °C	11 mmHg
MP/MP Range	-43 - -39 °C	
Flash Point	60 °C	Method: closed cup
Flammability	N/A	
Autoignition Temp	585 °C	
Oxidizing Properties	N/A	
Explosive Properties	N/A	
Explosion Limits	Lower: 1.1 % Upper: 14 %	
Vapor Pressure	10.3 mmHg	60 °C
SG/Density	1.098 g/cm3	
Partition Coefficient	N/A	
Viscosity	N/A	
Vapor Density	4.36 g/l	
Saturated Vapor Conc.	N/A	
Evaporation Rate	N/A	
Bulk Density	N/A	
Decomposition Temp.	N/A	
Solvent Content	N/A	
Water Content	N/A	
Surface Tension	N/A	
Conductivity	N/A	
Miscellaneous Data	N/A	
Solubility	N/A	

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## 10 - Stability and Reactivity

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### STABILITY

Stable: Decomposes easily

Conditions to Avoid: Loss of inhibitor Moisture.

Materials to Avoid: Contact with common metals (except nickel and lead) or moisture produces a Friedel-Crafts, condensation-type reaction with the liberation of heat and formation of toxic and corrosive hydrogen chloride. Hydrolyzes very slowly to form hydrogen chloride and benzyl alcohol. This product is not sensitive to physical impact. When stabilized with propylene oxide, the possibility of a Friedel-Crafts type reaction is minimized. Depletion of the stabilizer increases the possibility of condensation reactions, Oxidizing agents Iron and iron salts., Brass, Aluminum

### HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Carbon monoxide, Carbon dioxide, Hydrogen chloride gas.

### STABILIZERS PRESENT

Inhibited with 0.25% propylene oxide

### HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION

Hazardous Polymerization: May occur

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## 11 - Toxicological Information

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RTECS NUMBER: XS8925000

### ACUTE TOXICITY

LC50

Inhalation

Rat

4,085 mg/kg

4H

LD50  
Oral  
Rat  
1231 mg/kg

LC50  
Inhalation  
Rat  
150 ppm  
2H  
Remarks: Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Respiratory depression.

LD50  
Subcutaneous  
Rat  
1 GM/KG

LD50  
Oral  
Mouse  
1500 mg/kg

LC50  
Inhalation  
Mouse  
80 ppm  
2H  
Remarks: Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Respiratory depression.

LD50  
Oral  
Mammal  
1500 mg/kg

LC50  
Inhalation  
Mammal  
390 mg/m3

#### SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin. Inhalation may result in spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx and bronchi, chemical pneumonitis, and pulmonary edema. Symptoms of exposure may include burning sensation, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache, nausea, and vomiting. To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

#### ROUTE OF EXPOSURE

Skin Contact: Causes burns.  
Skin Absorption: May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.  
Eye Contact: Causes burns. Lachrymator.  
Inhalation: Toxic if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.  
Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed. Ingestion can cause immediate burning pain in the mouth, throat, abdomen; severe swelling of the larynx and skeletal paralysis affecting the ability to breathe, circulatory shock and convulsions.

TARGET ORGAN INFORMATION  
Kidneys. Liver. Blood.

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - CARCINOGEN

Result: This product is or contains a component that has been reported to be probably carcinogenic based on its IARC, OSHA, ACGIH, NTP, or EPA classification.

Rat

Route of Application: Subcutaneous

Result: Tumorigenic:Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria. Tumorigenic:Tumors at site or application.

Mouse

Route of Application: Oral

Exposure Time: 2Y

Result: Tumorigenic:Carcinogenic by RTECS criteria.

Vascular:Tumors. Gastrointestinal:Tumors.

Mouse

Route of Application: Skin

Exposure Time: 50W

Result: Tumorigenic:Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria. Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Tumors. Skin and

Appendages: Other: Tumors.

Rat

Route of Application: Subcutaneous

Exposure Time: 53W

Result: Tumorigenic:Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria. Tumorigenic:Tumors at site or application.

IARC CARCINOGEN LIST

Rating: Group 2A Group 2A

Species: Mouse/rat Mouse/rat

Route: Skin Subcutaneous Gavage Skin Subcutaneous Gavage

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - MUTAGEN

Human

1 MMOL/L

Cell Type: fibroblast

DNA damage

Human

1 MMOL/L

Cell Type: Other cell types

DNA damage

Human

50 UMOL/L

Cell Type: HeLa cell

Unscheduled DNA synthesis

Rat

120 UMOL/L

Cell Type: Other cell types

Cytogenetic analysis

Mouse

393 UMOL/L

Cell Type: lymphocyte  
DNA damage

Mouse  
8 MG/L  
Cell Type: lymphocyte  
Mutation in mammalian somatic cells.

Hamster  
1 UMOL/L  
Cell Type: Embryo  
Micronucleus test

Hamster  
1600 UG/L  
Cell Type: Embryo  
Morphological transformation.

Hamster  
100 UMOL/L  
Cell Type: ovary  
Sister chromatid exchange

#### CHRONIC EXPOSURE - TERATOGEN

Species: Rat  
Dose: 1 GM/KG  
Route of Application: Oral  
Exposure Time: (6-15D PREG)  
Result: Effects on Embryo or Fetus: Fetotoxicity (except death, e.g., stunted fetus).

Species: Rat  
Dose: 11 UG/KG  
Route of Application: Oral  
Exposure Time: (1-19D PREG)  
Result: Effects on Embryo or Fetus: Fetal death.

#### CHRONIC EXPOSURE - REPRODUCTIVE HAZARD

Species: Mouse  
Dose: 250 MG/KG  
Route of Application: Intraperitoneal  
Exposure Time: (5D MALE)  
Result: Paternal Effects: Spermatogenesis (including genetic material, sperm morphology, motility, and count).

Species: Mouse  
Dose: 2500 MG/KG  
Route of Application: Subcutaneous  
Exposure Time: (5D MALE)  
Result: Paternal Effects: Spermatogenesis (including genetic material, sperm morphology, motility, and count).

CMR CAT.: Carc. Cat.3

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#### 12 - Ecological Information

No data available.

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#### 13 - Disposal Considerations

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#### SUBSTANCE DISPOSAL

Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

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## 14 - Transport Information

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### RID/ADR

UN#: 1738  
Class: 6.1  
PG: II  
Proper Shipping Name: Benzyl chloride

### IMDG

UN#: 1738  
Class: 6.1  
PG: II  
Subrisk: 8  
Proper Shipping Name: Benzyl chloride  
Marine Pollutant: No  
Severe Marine Pollutant: No

### IATA

UN#: 1738  
Class: 6.1  
PG: II  
Subrisk: 8  
Proper Shipping Name: Benzyl chloride  
Inhalation Packing Group I: No

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## 15 - Regulatory Information

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### CLASSIFICATION AND LABELING ACCORDING TO EU DIRECTIVES

ANNEX I INDEX NUMBER: 602-037-00-3

NOTA: E

INDICATION OF DANGER: T  
Toxic.

R-PHRASES: 45 22 23 37/38 41 48/22

May cause cancer. Harmful if swallowed. Toxic by inhalation.  
Irritating to respiratory system and skin. Risk of serious damage to eyes. Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure if swallowed.

S-PHRASES: 53 45

Restricted to professional users. Attention - Avoid exposure - obtain special instructions before use. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

### COUNTRY SPECIFIC INFORMATION

#### Germany

WGK: 3

#### SWITZERLAND

SWISS POISON CLASS: 3

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## 16 - Other Information

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### WARRANTY

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to



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