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0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

Health-2

Flammability-3

Reactivity-1

Exposure-3

Storage-3

# SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

# **Ethylene Dichloride**

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# SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ethylene dichloride Synonym: 1,2-Dichloroethane CAS#: 107-06-2

# SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Colorless, oily liquid. Chloroform-like odor. Possible human carcinogen (IARC-2B). Moderately toxic by ingestion, inhalation, and skin absorption. Strong skin and eye irritant. Avoid all body tissue contact. Flammable liquid.

#### SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid. Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately. Eye or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes. Internal: Rinse mouth. Call a physician or poison control at once.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES	
Class 1B flammable liquid.	NFPA CODE
Flash point: 13 °C Flammable limits: Lower: 6.2% Upper: 15.6% Autoignition Temperature: 413 °C	H-2
When heated to decomposition, emits toxic fumes of Cl and phosgene.	F-3
Fire Fighting Instructions: Use a triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and	R-0
SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.	

#### SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Remove all ignition sources and ventilate area. Contain the spill with sand or other inert absorbent material and deposit in a sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

#### SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #4. Store with ethers, ketones, halogenated hydrocarbons, and ethylene oxide. Store in a dedicated flammables cabinet. If a flammables cabinet is not available, store in Flinn Saf-Stor Can. Use and dispense in a hood.

#### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and a chemical-resistant apron. Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire). Exposure guidelines: PEL 50 ppm, STEL 2 ppm (OSHA, NIOSH).

# SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Colorless, oily liquid with an odor like chloroform. Solubility: Slightly soluble in water. Miscible: with most common organic solvents. Formula:  $C_2H_4Cl_2$ Formula weight: 98.96

# SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with oxidizers and aluminum. Shelf life: Poor, gradually decomposed by air, light, and moisture.

# SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Toxic, irritant, nausea, headache, vomiting, gastrointestinal disturbances. Chronic effects: Causes dermatitis, possible mutagen. Target organs: Liver, kidneys.

SKN-RBT LD<sub>50</sub>: 2800 mg/kg

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

# SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

# SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding. Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #27j is one option.

#### SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Ethylene dichloride Hazard class: 3, Flammable liquid, poison UN number: UN1184 N/A = Not applicable

# SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (203-458-1), RCRA code U077.

# SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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Boiling point: 83.5 °C Melting point: -36 °C Refractive index: 1.4422 Specific gravity: 1.2454

ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: 670 mg/kg

IHL-RAT LC<sub>50</sub>: 1000 ppm/7H