



# Safety Data Sheet

## Methyl ethyl ketone

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### SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Product name** : Methyl ethyl ketone  
**Product Use Description** : SOLVENT

#### Manufacturer or supplier's details

**Company** : Southeastern Chemical Industries Group LLC.  
**Address** : 660 Oak Place  
Port Orange, FL 32127  
United States of America  
386.760.9332

**Emergency telephone number:**  
Transport North America: INFOTRAC 800.535.5053

### SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### GHS Classification

Flammable liquids : Category 2  
Eye irritation : Category 2A  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure : Category 3 (Central nervous system)

#### GHS Label element

Hazard pictograms :



Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour.  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

Precautionary statements : **Prevention:**  
P210 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open



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flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.  
P233 Keep container tightly closed.  
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/ eye protection/ face protection.

### Potential Health Effects

#### Carcinogenicity:

##### 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.

##### ACGIH

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

##### 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.

##### 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.

### Emergency Overview

Appearance	liquid
Colour	colourless
Odour	characteristic, pleasant, acetone-like
Hazard Summary	No information available.

### SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Substance

#### Hazardous components

CAS-No.	Chemical Name	Concentration (%)
78-93-3	Methyl ethyl ketone	90 - 100



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### SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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| General advice          | : Move out of dangerous area.<br>Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.<br>Do not leave the victim unattended.           |
| If inhaled              | : Consult a physician after significant exposure.<br>If unconscious place in recovery position and seek medical advice.                    |
| In case of skin contact | : If on skin, rinse well with water.<br>If on clothes, remove clothes.   |
| In case of eye contact  | : Immediately flush eye(s) with plenty of water.<br>Keep eye wide open while rinsing.<br>If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist. |
| If swallowed            | : Keep respiratory tract clear.<br>Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.<br>If symptoms persist, call a physician.        |

### SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

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| Suitable extinguishing media         | : Alcohol-resistant foam<br>Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )<br>Dry chemical   |
| Unsuitable extinguishing media       | : High volume water jet   |
| Specific hazards during firefighting | : Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.<br>No hazardous combustion products are known   |
| Hazardous combustion products        | : No hazardous combustion products are known  |
| Specific extinguishing methods       | : Use a water spray to cool fully closed containers.  |
| Further information                  | : Collect contaminated fire extinguishing water separately. This must not be discharged into drains.<br>Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations.<br>For safety reasons in case of fire, cans should be |



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stored separately in closed containments.

Special protective equipment for firefighters : Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for fire-fighting if necessary.

### **NFPA Flammable and Combustible Liquids Classification:**

Flammable Liquid Class IB

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## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures : Use personal protective equipment.  
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.

Environmental precautions : Prevent product from entering drains.  
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.  
If the product contaminates rivers and lakes or drains inform respective authorities.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Contain spillage, and then collect with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and place in container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13).

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## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Advice on safe handling : Avoid formation of aerosol.  
Do not breathe vapours/dust.  
Avoid exposure - obtain special instructions before use.  
Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
For personal protection see section 8.  
Smoking, eating and drinking should be prohibited in the application area.  
Take precautionary measures against static discharges.  
Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work rooms.  
Container may be opened only under exhaust ventilation hood.  
Open drum carefully as content may be under pressure.  
Dispose of rinse water in accordance with local and



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national regulations.

Conditions for safe storage : No smoking.  
 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.  
 Observe label precautions.  
 Electrical installations / working materials must comply with the technological safety standards.

### SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Components with workplace control parameters

CAS-No.	Components	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis
78-93-3	Methyl ethyl ketone	TWA	200 ppm	ACGIH
		STEL	300 ppm	ACGIH
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	NIOSH REL
		ST	300 ppm 885 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	NIOSH REL
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	OSHA Z-1
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	OSHA P0
		STEL	300 ppm 885 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	OSHA P0

#### Biological occupational exposure limits

Components	CAS-No.	Control parameters	Biological specimen	Sampling time	Permissible concentration	Basis
Methyl ethyl ketone	78-93-3	MEK	In urine	End of shift (As soon as possible after exposure ceases)	2 mg/l	ACGIH BEI

#### Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : No personal respiratory protective equipment normally

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	required. In the case of vapour formation use a respirator with an approved filter.
Hand protection Remarks	: The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed with the producers of the protective gloves.
Eye protection	: Eye wash bottle with pure water Tightly fitting safety goggles Wear face-shield and protective suit for abnormal processing problems.
Skin and body protection	: impervious clothing Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.
Hygiene measures	: When using do not eat or drink. When using do not smoke. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

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#### SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	: liquid
Colour	: colourless
Odour	: characteristic, pleasant, acetone-like
Odour Threshold	: No data available
pH	: No data available
Freezing Point (Freezing Point)	: -87 °C (-125 °F)
Boiling Point (Boiling point/boiling range)	: 79.59 °C (175.26 °F)
Flash point	: -7 °C (19 °F)
Evaporation rate	: 3.6 n-Butyl Acetate 2.7 Ethyl Ether
Flammability (solid, gas)	: No data available

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Burning rate	: No data available
Upper explosion limit	: 11.5 %(V)
Lower explosion limit	: 1.4 %(V)
Vapour pressure	: 91 mmHg @ 25 °C (77 °F) 70 mmHg @ 20 °C (68 °F)
Relative vapour density	: 2.41 @ 20 °C (68 °F) AIR=1
Relative density	: 0.806 @ 20 °C (68 °F)
Density	: 0.806 g/cm <sup>3</sup> @ 20 °C (68 °F)
Bulk density	: No data available
Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility	: partly miscible
Solubility in other sol- vents	: Solvent: Acetone Description: soluble  Solvent: Alcohol Description: soluble  Solvent: Benzene Description: soluble  Solvent: Ether Description: soluble
Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	: log Pow: 0.29
Auto-ignition temperature	: 404 °C
Thermal decomposition	: No data available
Viscosity	
Viscosity, dynamic	: 0.41 mPa.s
Viscosity, kinematic	: 0.51 mm <sup>2</sup> /s



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### SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	: No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Chemical stability	: Stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	: Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.
Conditions to avoid	: Heat, flames and sparks.
Incompatible materials	: Avoid contact with: Amines Ammonia Chloroform Copper Copper alloys Halogenated compounds Nitric acid Strong oxidizing agents hydrogen peroxide isocyanates strong alkalis strong bases strong mineral acids
Hazardous decomposition products	: carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide toxic fumes

### SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Acute toxicity

##### **Components:**

##### **78-93-3:**

Acute oral toxicity : LD50 (rat): 2,737 mg/kg

Acute inhalation toxicity : LC50 (mouse): 320 mg/l  
Exposure time: 4 h

Acute dermal toxicity : LD50 (rabbit): 6,480 mg/kg

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

##### **Product:**





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Remarks: Moderate skin irritation

### **Components:**

#### **78-93-3:**

Species: rabbit

Exposure time: 24 h

Result: Mild skin irritation

### **Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

### **Product:**

Remarks: Severe eye irritation

### **Components:**

#### **78-93-3:**

Species: rabbit

Result: Irritating to eyes.

Exposure time: 24 h

### **Respiratory or skin sensitisation**

### **Components:**

#### **78-93-3:**

Test Type: Buehler Test

Species: guinea pig

Method: OECD Test Guideline 406

Result: Did not cause sensitisation on laboratory animals.

### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

### **Components:**

#### **78-93-3:**

- Genotoxicity in vitro
- : Test Type: Ames test  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 471  
Result: negative
  - : Test Type: Mammalian cell gene mutation assay  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 476  
Result: negative
  - : Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 473  
Result: negative



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Genotoxicity in vivo : Test Type: In vivo micronucleus test  
Test species: mouse (male and female)  
Dose: 1.96 mL/kg  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 474  
Result: negative

Germ cell mutagenicity-Assessment : Tests on bacterial or mammalian cell cultures did not show mutagenic effects.

### Carcinogenicity

#### Components:

##### **78-93-3:**

Remarks: This information is not available.

Carcinogenicity - Assessment : Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.

### Reproductive toxicity

#### Components:

##### **78-93-3:**

Effects on foetal development : Species: rat, female  
Application Route: Inhalation  
Dose: 400, 1000, 3000 ppm  
Duration of Single Treatment: 18 d  
Frequency of Treatment: 7 days/week  
General Toxicity Maternal: NOAEC: 1,002 ppm  
Teratogenicity: NOAEC: 1,002 ppm  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 414  
GLP: no

Reproductive toxicity - Assessment : Fertility classification not possible from current data.  
Did not show teratogenic effects in animal experiments.

### STOT - single exposure

#### Product:

Target Organs: Central nervous system

#### Components:

##### **78-93-3:**

Exposure routes: Inhalation

Target Organs: Central nervous system

Assessment: May cause drowsiness or dizziness., The substance or mixture is classified as specific target organ toxicant, single exposure, category 3 with narcotic effects.



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### STOT - repeated exposure

Product:

No data available

Components:

No data available

### Aspiration toxicity

**Product:**

May be harmful if swallowed and enters airways.

### Further information

**Product:**

Remarks: Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting., Concentrations substantially above the TLV value may cause narcotic effects., Solvents may degrease the skin.

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## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Ecotoxicity

**Components:**

**78-93-3:**

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| Toxicity to fish                                    | : LC50 (Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)): 2,993 mg/l<br>Exposure time: 96 h                  |
| Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates | : EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 308 mg/l<br>Exposure time: 48 h<br>Test Type: Immobilization |
| Toxicity to algae                                   | : EC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): 2,029 mg/l<br>Exposure time: 96 h         |

### Persistence and degradability

**Components:**

**78-93-3:**

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| Biodegradability | : Concentration: 2 mg/l |
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Result: Readily biodegradable.  
Biodegradation: 98 %  
Exposure time: 28 d  
Test substance: Methyl ethyl Ketone  
GLP: yes  
Remarks: Readily biodegradable

### Bioaccumulative potential

#### Components:

##### **78-93-3:**

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water : log Pow: 2.49

#### **Mobility in soil**

No data available

#### **Other adverse effects**

No data available

#### Product:

Regulation	40 CFR Protection of Environment; Part 82 Protection of Stratospheric Ozone - CAA Section 602 Class I Substances
Remarks	This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

Additional ecological information : No data available

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## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### **Disposal methods**

Waste from residues : Dispose of in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal regulations.

Contaminated packaging : Empty remaining contents.  
Dispose of as unused product.  
Do not re-use empty containers.  
Do not burn, or use a cutting torch on, the empty drum.



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### SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**IATA (International Air Transport Association):** UN1193, Methyl ethyl ketone, 3, II

**IMDG (International Maritime Dangerous Goods):** UN1193, METHYL ETHYL KETONE, 3, II, Flash Point: -7 °C (19 °F)

**DOT (Department of Transportation):** UN1193, Methyl ethyl ketone, 3, II

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### SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**OSHA Hazards** : Flammable liquid, Moderate skin irritant, Moderate eye irritant, Carcinogen

#### EPCRA - Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act

##### CERCLA Reportable Quantity

Components	CAS-No.	Component RQ (lbs)	Calculated product RQ (lbs)
Methyl ethyl ketone	78-93-3	5000	5000

##### SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards** : Fire Hazard  
Acute Health Hazard  
Chronic Health Hazard

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

**SARA 313** : 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.

#### Clean Air Act

This product does not contain any hazardous air pollutants (HAP), as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 12 (40 CFR 61).



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This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112(r) for Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130, Subpart F). The following chemical(s) are listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 111 SOCM I Intermediate or Final VOC's (40 CFR 60.489):

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### Clean Water Act

This product does not contain any Hazardous Substances listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 116.4A.

This product does not contain any Hazardous Chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean-Water Act, Section 311, Table 117.3.

This product does not contain any toxic pollutants listed under the U.S. Clean Water Act Section 307

### US State Regulations

#### Massachusetts Right To Know

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#### Pennsylvania Right To Know

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#### New Jersey Right To Know

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#### California Prop 65

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

### The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:

<b>1907/2006 (EU)</b>	:	n (Negative listing) (Not in compliance with the inventory)
<b>Switzerland. New notified substances and declared preparations</b>	:	y (positive listing) (The formulation contains substances listed on the Swiss Inventory)
<b>United States TSCA Inventory</b>	:	y (positive listing) (On TSCA Inventory)
<b>Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL)</b>	:	y (positive listing) (All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL.)
<b>Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)</b>	:	y (positive listing)

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		(On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory)
<b>New Zealand. Inventory of Chemical Substances</b>	:	y (positive listing) (On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory)
<b>Japan. ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory</b>	:	y (positive listing) (On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory)
<b>Japan. ISHL - Inventory of Chemical Substances (METI)</b>	:	y (positive listing) (On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory)
<b>Korea. Korean Existing Chemicals Inventory (KECI)</b>	:	y (positive listing) (On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory)
<b>Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)</b>	:	y (positive listing) (On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory)
<b>China. Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)</b>	:	y (positive listing) (On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory)

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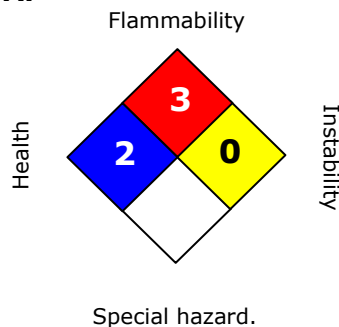
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### SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

#### Further information

##### NFPA:



##### HMIS III:

<b>HEALTH</b>	<b>2*</b>
<b>FLAMMABILITY</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>PHYSICAL HAZARD</b>	<b>0</b>

0 = not significant, 1 = Slight,  
 2 = Moderate, 3 = High  
 4 = Extreme, \* = Chronic

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#### Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

ACGIH	American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists	LD50	Lethal Dose 50%
AICS	Australia, Inventory of Chem-	LOAEL	Lowest Observed Adverse Effect



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DSL	Canada, Domestic Substances List	NFPA	National Fire Protection Agency
NDSL	Canada, Non-Domestic Substances List	NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health
CNS	Central Nervous System	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service	NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
EC50	Effective Concentration	NOAEL	No Observable Adverse Effect Level
EC50	Effective Concentration 50%	NOEC	No Observed Effect Concentration
EGEST	EOSCA Generic Exposure Scenario Tool	OSHA	Occupational Safety & Health Administration
EOSCA	European Oilfield Specialty Chemicals Association	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	PICCS	Philippines Inventory of Commercial Chemical Substances
MAK	Germany Maximum Concentration Values	PRNT	Presumed Not Toxic
GHS	Globally Harmonized System	RCRA	Resource Conservation Recovery Act
>=	Greater Than or Equal To	STEL	Short-term Exposure Limit
IC50	Inhibition Concentration 50%	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act.
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	TLV	Threshold Limit Value
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China	TWA	Time Weighted Average
ENCS	Japan, Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances	TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act
KECI	Korea, Existing Chemical Inventory	UVCB	Unknown or Variable Composition, Complex Reaction Products, and Biological Materials
<=	Less Than or Equal To	WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System
LC50			Lethal Concentration 50%