

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Section 1: Identification

Product identifier

Product Name 2-Mercaptoethanol
Catalogue Number(s) 1610710, 1610710EDU, 1610710XTU

Other means of identification

CAS No. 60-24-2

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use Laboratory chemicals
Uses advised against No information available

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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Section 2: Hazard identification

GHS Classification

Flammable liquids	Category 4
Acute toxicity - Oral	Category 3
Acute toxicity - Dermal	Category 2
Acute toxicity - Inhalation (Vapours)	Category 3
Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1
Skin sensitisation	Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Chronic aquatic toxicity	Category 2

Label elements



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statements

Combustible liquid
Toxic if swallowed
Fatal in contact with skin
Toxic if inhaled
Causes skin irritation
Causes serious eye damage
May cause an allergic skin reaction
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure
Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

Precautionary Statements - Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Avoid release to the environment
Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking
Wear protective gloves/clothing and eye/face protection

Eyes

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor

Skin

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water and soap
Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor
If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
Call a POISON CENTER or doctor

Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor
Rinse mouth

Fire

In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish

Spill

Collect spillage

Precautionary Statements - Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
Store in a well-ventilated place

Precautionary Statements - Disposal

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local, regional, national, and international regulations as applicable

Other hazards which do not result in classification

No information available.

Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical name	CAS No.	Weight-%
2-Mercaptoethanol	60-24-2	50 - 100

Section 4: First-aid measures

Description of first aid measures

General advice	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention immediately. 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. If breathing is difficult, (trained personnel should) give oxygen.
Eye contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. Do not rub affected area. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get immediate medical attention.
Skin contact	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Get immediate medical attention. May cause an allergic skin reaction.
Ingestion	Do NOT induce vomiting. Rinse mouth. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get immediate medical attention.
Self-protection of the first aider	Remove all sources of ignition. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. 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. Do not breathe vapour or mist. Use personal protective equipment as required. See section 8 for more information.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms	Burning sensation. Itching. Rashes. Hives. Coughing and/ or wheezing. Difficulty in breathing.
Effects of Exposure	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to doctors	May cause sensitisation in susceptible persons. Treat symptomatically.
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Section 5: Fire-fighting measures

Hazchem code	2X
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Suitable Extinguishing Media

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Dry chemical. Carbon dioxide (CO ₂). Water spray. Alcohol resistant foam.
Large Fire	CAUTION: Use of water spray when fighting fire may be inefficient.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water streams.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition. In the event of fire, cool tanks with water spray. Product is or contains a sensitiser. May cause sensitisation by skin contact.
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Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Special protective equipment and	Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear.
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precautions for fire-fighters

Section 6: Accidental release measures**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Personal precautions Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Use personal protective equipment as required. See section 8 for more information. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Do not breathe vapour or mist.

Other information Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 7 and 8.

For emergency responders Use personal protection recommended in Section 8.

Environmental precautions

Environmental precautions Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 7 and 8. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Dyke far ahead of liquid spill for later disposal.

Methods for cleaning up Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Dam up. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Pick up and transfer to properly labelled containers.

Precautions to prevent secondary hazards

Prevention of secondary hazards Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations.

Section 7: Handling and storage**Precautions for safe handling**

Advice on safe handling Use personal protection equipment. Do not breathe vapour or mist. Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Handle product only in closed system or provide appropriate exhaust ventilation.

General hygiene considerations Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing is recommended. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Do not breathe vapour or mist.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage Conditions Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks, flame and other sources of ignition (i.e., pilot lights, electric motors and static electricity). Keep in properly labelled containers. Store in accordance with the particular national regulations. Store in accordance with local regulations. Keep out of the reach of children. Store locked up. Store according to product and label instructions.

Incompatible materials Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong oxidising agents.

Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

Control parameters

Exposure Limits This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Biological occupational exposure limits This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering controls Showers
Eyewash stations
Ventilation systems.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection Tight sealing safety goggles.

Hand protection Wear suitable gloves. Impervious gloves.

Skin and body protection Wear suitable protective clothing. Long sleeved clothing. Impervious clothing. Chemical resistant apron.

Respiratory protection No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions. If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, ventilation and evacuation may be required.

Environmental exposure controls No information available.

Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state Liquid
Appearance Liquid
Colour light yellow
Odour Sulphurous.
Odour threshold No information available

<u>Property</u>	<u>Values</u>	<u>Remarks • Method</u>
pH		None known
Melting point / freezing point	-100 °C	
Initial boiling point and boiling range	158 °C	
Flash point	74 °C	
Evaporation rate	No data available	None known
Flammability	No data available	None known
Flammability Limit in Air		None known
Upper flammability or explosive limits	No data available	
Lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available	
Vapour pressure	No data available	None known
Relative vapour density	No data available	None known

Relative density	1.1143	None known
Water solubility	Miscible in water	
Solubility(ies)	No data available	None known
Partition coefficient	No data available	None known
Autoignition temperature	295 °C	
Decomposition temperature		None known
Kinematic viscosity	No data available	None known
Dynamic viscosity	No data available	None known
Explosive properties	No information available.	
Oxidising properties	No information available.	
<u>Other information</u>		
Softening point	No information available	
Molecular weight	No information available	
VOC content	No information available	
Liquid Density	No information available	
Bulk density	No information available	
Particle characteristics	No information available	

Section 10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

Reactivity No information available.

Chemical stability

Stability Stable under normal conditions.

Explosion data

Sensitivity to mechanical impact None.

Sensitivity to static discharge Yes.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Possibility of hazardous reactions None under normal processing.

Conditions to avoid

Conditions to avoid Heat, flames and sparks. Excessive heat.

Incompatible materials

Incompatible materials Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong oxidising agents.

Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products None known based on information supplied.

Section 11: Toxicological information

Acute toxicity

Information on likely routes of exposure

Product Information

Inhalation Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. May cause irritation of respiratory tract. Toxic by inhalation (based on components).

Eye contact Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Causes serious eye damage. May cause irreversible damage to eyes.

Skin contact Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Fatal in contact with skin (based on components). May cause sensitisation by skin contact. Repeated or prolonged skin contact may cause allergic reactions with susceptible persons. Causes skin irritation.

Ingestion Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea. Toxic if swallowed (based on components).

Symptoms Redness. Burning. May cause blindness. Itching. Rashes. Hives. May cause redness and tearing of the eyes. Coughing and/ or wheezing. Difficulty in breathing.

Acute toxicity Fatal in contact with skin. Toxic if swallowed. Toxic by inhalation.

Numerical measures of toxicity

Component Information

Chemical name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
2-Mercaptoethanol	= 244 mg/kg (Rat)	112 - 224 mg/kg (Rabbit)	-

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

Skin corrosion/irritation Classification based on data available for ingredients. Causes skin irritation.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation Classification based on data available for ingredients. Causes burns. Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Germ cell mutagenicity No information available.

Carcinogenicity No information available.

Reproductive toxicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure No information available.

STOT - repeated exposure May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Aspiration hazard No information available.

Data used to identify the health effects Refer to Section 16 for Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS.

Section 12: Ecological information

Ecotoxicity**Aquatic ecotoxicity** Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Chemical name	Algae/aquatic plants	Fish	Crustacea
2-Mercaptoethanol	EC50: =12mg/L (72h, <i>Desmodesmus subspicatus</i>)	-	EC50: =1.52mg/L (48h, <i>Daphnia magna</i>)

Terrestrial ecotoxicity There is no data for this product.**Persistence and degradability** No information available.**Bioaccumulative potential****Bioaccumulation****Component Information**

Chemical name	Partition coefficient
2-Mercaptoethanol	-0.056

Mobility in soil**Mobility** No information available.**Other adverse effects**

No information available.

Section 13: Disposal considerations**Disposal methods****Waste from residues/unused products**

Dispose of product in packaging in a way that is consistent with the EPA Consolidation 30 April 2021 of the Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Notice 2017 and the Act.

Treat the substance using a method that changes the characteristics or composition of the substance so that the substance is no longer a hazardous substance; or export the substance from New Zealand as waste.

Flammable substances - may not be disposed of into or onto a landfill or sewage facility. They may only be burnt in certain situations.

Flammable gases, liquids and solids may only be discharged into the environment or landfill as waste if the substance will not at any time come into contact with any explosives, oxidising gases, liquids or solids or organic peroxides; and there will be no ignition source in the vicinity of the disposal site at any time and if the substance were to ignite, no person, or place where a person may legally be, would be exposed to an unsafe level of heat radiation.

Substances which are hazardous to human health or corrosive to metals – may be discharged into the environment if a tolerable exposure limit has been set for the substance (or a component of that substance); and the discharge does not, after reasonable mixing, result in the concentration of the substance in an environmental medium exceeding the tolerable exposure limit. If there is no tolerable exposure limit for the substance, then it may only be discharged into the environment if the substance is very rapidly converted to substances that are not hazardous substances.

Environmentally hazardous substances – if the substance, or if it contains a component that is hazardous to the aquatic environment or bioaccumulative and not rapidly degradable, then any component that is bioaccumulative and not rapidly degradable must be removed.

The product may only be discharged into the environment if an environmental exposure limit has been set for the substance (or a component of the substance); and the discharge does not, after reasonable mixing, result in the concentration of the substance in an environmental medium exceeding the environmental exposure limit.
 Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.
 Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation.

Contaminated packaging

For packages that have been in direct contact with hazardous substances, the person must ensure that the package is rendered incapable of containing any substance. It must be disposed of in a manner that is consistent with the requirements for disposal of the substance that it contained, taking into account the material the package is manufactured from.

Packages may only be reused or recycled if:

- the substance has a physical hazard other than corrosive to metal, and has been treated to remove any residual contents of the hazardous substance;
- or for substances that have a health or environmental hazard, or corrosive to metal, the contents of the residue in the package are below the threshold for the substance to be classified as hazardous in the Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020.

Section 14: Transport information

Hazchem code	2X
<u>IATA</u>	
UN number or ID number	UN2966
Transport hazard class(es)	6.1
Packing group	II
Description	UN2966, Environmentally hazardous substances, solid, n.o.s., 6.1, II
<u>IMDG</u>	
UN number or ID number	UN2966
Transport hazard class(es)	6.1
Packing group	II
EmS-No.	F-A, S-A
Marine pollutant	P
Description	UN2966, Environmentally hazardous substances, liquid, n.o.s., 6.1, II, Marine pollutant

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code

No information available

Special precautions for user

Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods regulations for additional information

Section 15: Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**National regulations**

EPA New Zealand HSNO approval code or group standard To be determined

National regulations

There are no applicable tolerable exposure limits or environmental exposure limits according to the EPA Controls for Hazardous Substances

Certified handlers, tracking and controlled substance license requirements

Certified handlers are required for some substances. This includes substances requiring a controlled substance license, and most explosives, vertebrates toxic agents, and certain fumigants. Acutely toxic substances which are a Category 1 or 2, such as pesticides also require Certified handlers. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information

Tracking is required for some highly hazardous substances. These substances need to be

under the control of an appropriately trained person or appropriately secured. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information
Controlled substance licenses are required to possess certain explosives, vertebrate toxic agents and fumigants. See Part 7 of the Health and Safety at Work Regulation 2017 for more information

International Regulations

The Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer Not applicable

The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants Not applicable

The Rotterdam Convention Not applicable

International Inventories Contact supplier for inventory compliance status

Section 16: Other information

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

Legend Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

TWA	TWA (time-weighted average)	STEL	STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)
Ceiling	Maximum limit value	Sk*	Skin designation
C	Carcinogen		

Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database
European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
Environmental Protection Agency
Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGL(s))
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals
Food Research Journal
Hazardous Substance Database
International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID)
National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE)
Australian National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)
NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)
National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP)
National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED)
U.S. National Toxicology Program (NTP)
New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Programme
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set
World Health Organization

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