

Section 1 Chemical Product and Company Information

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Phone Number (800) 424-9300
For laboratory use only.
Not for drug, food or household use.

Product	POLYVINYL ALCOHOL, 87% HYDROLYZED
Synonyms	PVA / Ethenol Homopolymer

Section 2 Hazards Identification

This substance or mixture has not been classified as hazardous according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS) of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals.

Signal word: Not classified

Pictograms: No symbol required

Target organs: None known

GHS Classification: Not classified

GHS Label information: Hazard statement: Not classified

Precautionary statement: Not classified

Supplementary information:

Slipping hazard. Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Get medical attention if you feel unwell.

Ca Prop 65 - This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS #	%	EINECS
Polyvinyl alcohol	9002-89-5	100%	Not listed

Section 4 First Aid Measures

INGESTION: Call physician or Poison Control Center immediately. Induce vomiting only if advised by appropriate medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

INHALATION: MAY CAUSE RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION. Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

EYE CONTACT: MAY CAUSE EYE IRRITATION. Check for and remove contact lenses. Flush thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting upper and lower eyelids occasionally. Get immediate medical attention.

SKIN ABSORPTION: Remove contaminated clothing. Flush thoroughly with mild soap and water. If irritation occurs, get medical attention.

Section 5 Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media: Use any media suitable for extinguishing supporting fire.

Protective Actions for Fire-fighters: In fire conditions, wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective gear. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

Specific Hazards: During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion. Dust dispersed in air is capable of creating a dust explosion when exposed to an ignition source. Avoid dispersion of dust in air. Oxidizing materials may accelerate the burning rate in a fire situation.

Section 6 Accidental Release Measures

Personal Precautions: Evacuate personnel to safe area. Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8. Provide adequate ventilation.

Environmental Precautions: Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches which lead to waterways.

Containment and Cleanup: Recover for reuse if not contaminated. Remove all sources of ignition. Sweep or vacuum up and place in a suitable container for proper disposal. Wash spill area with soap and water.

Precautions for Safe Handling: Read label on container before using. Do not wear contact lenses when working with chemicals. Keep out of reach of children. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not inhale dusts. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion. Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove and wash clothing before reuse.

Conditions for Safe Storage: Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Keep away from ignition sources.

Section 8 Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Exposure Limits:	Chemical Name	ACGIH (TLV)	OSHA (PEL)	NIOSH (REL)
	Polyvinyl alcohol	Not established	Not established	Not established

Engineering controls: Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower and fire extinguishing material. Personnel should wear safety glasses, goggles, or faceshield, lab coat or apron, appropriate protective gloves. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

Respiratory protection: None should be needed in normal laboratory handling at room temperatures. If dusty conditions prevail, work in fume hood or wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved respirator.

Section 9 Physical & Chemical Properties

Appearance: Solid. White granulated powder Odor: No odor. Odor threshold: Data not available. pH: 4.0 - 7.5 (4% solution) Melting / Freezing point: 230-240°C (446-464°F) Boiling point: Data not available Flash point: Data not available	Evaporation rate (= 1): Data not available Flammability (solid/gas): Data not available Explosion limits: Lower / Upper: Data not available Vapor pressure (mm Hg): Data not available Vapor density (Air = 1): Data not available Relative density (Specific gravity): Data not available Solubility(ies): Soluble in hot water.	Partition coefficient: Data not available Auto-ignition temperature: Data not available Decomposition temperature: Data not available. Viscosity: Data not available. Molecular formula: [-CH ₂ CH(OH)-] _n Molecular weight: 100,000
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Section 10 Stability & Reactivity

Chemical stability: Stable
Conditions to avoid: Avoid the generation of dust.
Incompatible materials: Oxygen, peroxides, perchlorates, nitrates and other oxidizers, reactive metals (sodium, zinc, calcium, copper, etc.)
Hazardous decomposition products: Carbon oxides.

Hazardous polymerization: Will not occur.

Section 11 Toxicological Information

Acute toxicity: Oral-rat LD50: >5,000 mg/kg ; Inhalation-rat LC50: >20.0 mg/L/1 hour
Skin corrosion/irritation: Skin-rabbit - non-irritating
Serious eye damage/irritation: Eyes-rabbit - slight irritant
Respiratory or skin sensitization: Data not available
Germ cell mutagenicity: Data not available
Carcinogenicity: Data not available
 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.
 IARC classified: Group 3: Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans.
 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: Data not available
STOT-single exposure: Data not available
STOT-repeated exposure: Data not available
Aspiration hazard: Data not available
Potential health effects:
 Inhalation: May cause respiratory tract irritation. Symptoms include, nasal discharge, hoarseness, coughing, chest pain and breathing difficulty.
 Ingestion: Essentially non-toxic. Symptoms include inflammation of mouth, throat, esophagus and/or stomach.
 Skin: Essentially non-irritating.
 Eyes: Contact may cause irritation. Symptoms include irritation or burning sensation.
Signs and symptoms of exposure: Exercise appropriate procedures to minimize potential hazards.
Additional information: RTECS #: Not available

Section 12 Ecological Information

Toxicity to fish: Pimephales promelas (fish), LC50 = >40,000 ppm/96 hour [CAS # 25213-24-5]
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: Daphnia magna (Crustacea), LC50 = 8,300 ppm/48 hour [CAS # 25213-24-5]
Toxicity to algae: No data available
Persistence and degradability: No data available
Bioaccumulative potential: No data available
Mobility in soil: No data available
PBT and vPvB assessment: No data available
Other adverse effects: An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Section 13 Disposal Considerations

These disposal guidelines are intended for the disposal of catalog-size quantities only. Federal regulations may apply to empty container. State and/or local regulations may be different. Dispose of in accordance with all local, state and federal regulations or contract with a licensed chemical disposal agency.

Section 14 Transport Information (US DOT / CANADA TDG)

UN/NA number: Not applicable
Shipping name: Not Regulated
Hazard class: Not applicable
Packing group: Not applicable
Reportable Quantity: No
Marine pollutant: No
Exceptions: Not applicable
2012 ERG Guide # Not applicable

Section 15 Regulatory Information

A chemical is considered to be listed if the CAS number for the anhydrous form is on the Inventory list.

Component	TSCA	CERCLA (RQ)	RCRA code	DSL	NDSL	WHMIS Classification
Polyvinyl alcohol	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Listed	Not listed	Not listed

Section 16 Additional Information

The information contained herein is furnished without warranty of any kind. Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them and must make independent determinations of suitability and completeness of information from all sources to assure proper use of these materials and the safety and health of employees. NTP: National Toxicology Program, IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer, OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration, STOT: Specific Target Organ Toxicity, SE: Single Exposure, RE: Repeated Exposure, ERG: Emergency Response Guidebook.

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