









# Material Safety Data Sheet

HAZARD WARNINGS	RISK PHRASES	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING
  	<p><b>Toxic compound, do not ingest or inhale. Avoid all contact with this material.</b></p> <p><b>Possible sensitizer.</b></p> <p><b>Carcinogen.</b></p> <p><b>Irritating to skin, eyes, and the respiratory system.</b></p>	    

## Section I. Chemical Product and Company Identification

Chemical Name	p-Toluenesulfonic Acid Methyl Ester		
Catalog Number	T0269	Supplier	TCI America 9211 N. Harborage St. Portland OR 1-800-423-8616
Synonym	Methyl p-Toluenesulfonate; Methyl Tosylate		
Chemical Formula	CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>		
CAS Number	80-48-8	In case of Emergency Call	<b>Chemtrec®</b> <b>(800) 424-9300 (U.S.)</b> <b>(703) 527-3887 (International)</b>

## Section II. Composition and Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Percent (%)	TLV/PEL	Toxicology Data
p-Toluenesulfonic Acid Methyl Ester	80-48-8	Min. 98.0 (T)	This chemical is classified as a possible carcinogen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a carcinogen.	Rat LD <sub>50</sub> (oral) 341 mg/kg Rat LD <sub>50</sub> (subcutaneous) 250 mg/kg

## Section III. Hazards Identification

Acute Health Effects	<p>Toxic if ingested or inhaled. Avoid prolonged contact with this material. Overexposure may result in serious illness or death.</p> <p>Irritating to eyes and skin on contact. Inhalation causes irritation of the lungs and respiratory system. Inflammation of the eye is characterized by redness, watering, and itching. Skin inflammation is characterized by itching, scaling, reddening, or, occasionally, blistering.</p> <p>Skin contact may result in sensitization. Always cover all exposed skin with an impermeable layer and use proper eye protection. A OSHA/MSHA approved dust and vapor respirator is required when working with this material.</p> <p>Follow safe industrial hygiene practices and always wear proper protective equipment when handling this compound.</p>
Chronic Health Effects	<p><b>CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available.</p> <p><b>MUTAGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available.</p> <p><b>TERATOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Tumorigenic: rat (oral) 1400mg/kg/2 years.</p> <p>Tumorigenic- Equivocal tumorigenic by RTECS criteria..</p> <p>rat (subcutaneous) 50mg/kg.</p> <p>Tumorigenic- Equivocal tumorigenic by RTECS criteria.</p> <p><b>DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY</b>Not available.</p> <p>Repeated exposure of the eyes to a low level of dust can produce eye irritation. Repeated skin exposure can produce local skin destruction, or dermatitis. Repeated inhalation of dust can produce varying degree of respiratory irritation or lung damage. Repeated exposure to an highly toxic material may produce general deterioration of health by an accumulation in one or many human organs.</p>

## Section IV. First Aid Measures

Eye Contact	Check for and remove any contact lenses. DO NOT use an eye ointment. Flush eyes with running water for a minimum of 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Seek medical attention. Treat symptomatically and supportively.
Skin Contact	If the chemical gets spilled on a clothed portion of the body, remove the contaminated clothes as quickly as possible, protecting your own hands and body. Place the victim under a deluge shower. If the chemical touches the victim's exposed skin, such as the hands: Gently and thoroughly wash the contaminated skin with running water and non-abrasive soap. Be particularly careful to clean folds, crevices, creases and groin. Seek medical attention. Treat symptomatically and supportively. Wash any contaminated clothing before reusing.
Inhalation	If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, oxygen can be administered. Seek medical attention if respiration problems do not improve.
Ingestion	INDUCE VOMITING by sticking finger in throat. Lower the head so that the vomit will not reenter the mouth and throat. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Examine the lips and mouth to ascertain whether the tissues are damaged, a possible indication that the toxic material was ingested; the absence of such signs, however, is not conclusive.

**Section V. Fire and Explosion Data**

Flammability	Combustible.	Auto-Ignition	479°C (894.2°F)
Flash Points	>109°C (228.2°F).	Flammable Limits	Not available.
Combustion Products	These products are toxic carbon oxides (CO, CO <sub>2</sub> ), sulfur oxides (SO <sub>2</sub> , SO <sub>3</sub> ...).		
Fire Hazards	Reactive with strong oxidizers. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Closed containers may explode from the heat of a fire. Highly flammable in presence of open flames and sparks, of heat.		
Explosion Hazards	Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available. No additional information is available regarding the risks of explosion.		
Fire Fighting Media and Instructions	SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemicals, CO <sub>2</sub> , water spray or foam. LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. DO NOT use water jet. Consult with local fire authorities before attempting large scale fire-fighting operations.		


**Section VI. Accidental Release Measures**

Spill Cleanup Instructions	Irritating liquid. Toxic liquid. Carcinogenic material. Sensitizing material. Stop leak if without risk. If the product is in its solid form: Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. If the product is in its liquid form: DO NOT get water inside container. Absorb with an inert material and put the spilled material in an appropriate waste disposal. DO NOT touch spilled material. Use water spray to reduce vapors. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed. Eliminate all sources of ignition. Consult federal, state, and/or local authorities for assistance on disposal.
----------------------------	--

**Section VII. Handling and Storage**

Handling and Storage Information	TOXIC. IRRITANT. CARCINOGEN. SENSITIZER. Handle with caution and minimize exposure. Keep container dry. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Mechanical exhaust required. When not in use, tightly seal the container and store in a dry, cool place. Avoid excessive heat and light. DO NOT ingest. DO NOT breathe dust. Never add water to this product. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Treat symptomatically and supportively. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Always store away from incompatible compounds such as oxidizing agents.
----------------------------------	---

**Section VIII. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

Engineering Controls	Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.
Personal Protection	Splash goggles. Lab coat. Vapor and dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator must be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product. 
Exposure Limits	This chemical is classified as a possible carcinogen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a carcinogen.

**Section IX. Physical and Chemical Properties**

Physical state @ 20°C	Colorless liquid.	Solubility	Very soluble in alcohol, benzene, chloroform. Insoluble in cold water, hot water. Slightly soluble in petroleum.
Specific Gravity	1.23		
Molecular Weight	186.23	Partition Coefficient	Not available.
Boiling Point	144-145°C @ 5mm Hg	Vapor Pressure	1 mm Hg @ 20°C
Melting Point	27.5°C (81.5°F)	Vapor Density	6.45
Refractive Index	Not available.	Volatility	Not available.
Critical Temperature	Not available.	Odor	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.	Taste	Not available.

**Section X. Stability and Reactivity Data**

Stability	This material is stable if stored under proper conditions. (See Section VII for instructions)
Conditions of Instability	Avoid excessive heat and light. Flammable.
Incompatibilities	Reactive with strong oxidizing agents, strong acids, and strong alkalis (bases).

**Section XI. Toxicological Information**

RTECS Number	XT7000000
Routes of Exposure	Eye contact. Ingestion. Inhalation. Skin contact.
Toxicity Data	Rat LD <sub>50</sub> (oral) 341 mg/kg Rat LD <sub>50</sub> (subcutaneous) 250 mg/kg
Chronic Toxic Effects	<b>CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available. <b>MUTAGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available. <b>TERATOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Tumorigenic: rat (oral) 1400mg/kg/2 years. Tumorigenic- Equivocal tumorigenic by RTECS criteria.. rat (subcutaneous) 50mg/kg. Tumorigenic- Equivocal tumorigenic by RTECS criteria. <b>DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY</b> Not available. Repeated exposure of the eyes to a low level of dust can produce eye irritation. Repeated skin exposure can produce local skin destruction, or dermatitis. Repeated inhalation of dust can produce varying degree of respiratory irritation or lung damage. Repeated exposure to an highly toxic material may produce general deterioration of health by an accumulation in one or many human organs.
Acute Toxic Effects	Toxic if ingested or inhaled. Avoid prolonged contact with this material. Overexposure may result in serious illness or death. Irritating to eyes and skin on contact. Inhalation causes irritation of the lungs and respiratory system. Inflammation of the eye is characterized by redness, watering, and itching. Skin inflammation is characterized by itching, scaling, reddening, or, occasionally, blistering. Skin contact may result in sensitization. Always cover all exposed skin with an impermeable layer and use proper eye protection. A OSHA/MSHA approved dust and vapor respirator is required when working with this material. Follow safe industrial hygiene practices and always wear proper protective equipment when handling this compound.


**Section XII. Ecological Information**

Ecotoxicity	Not available.
Environmental Fate	Not available.

**Section XIII. Disposal Considerations**

Waste Disposal	Recycle to process, if possible. Consult your local or regional authorities. You may be able to dissolve or mix material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber system. Observe all federal, state, and local regulations when disposing of this substance.
----------------	--

**Section XIV. Transport Information**

DOT Classification	DOT CLASS 6.1: Toxic material.
PIN Number	UN2811
Proper Shipping Name	Toxic solid, organic, n.o.s.
Packing Group (PG)	III
DOT Pictograms	

**Section XV. Other Regulatory Information and Pictograms**

TSCA Chemical Inventory (EPA)	This product is <b>ON</b> the EPA Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory.
WHMIS Classification (Canada)	WHMIS CLASS D-1B: Material causing immediate and serious toxic effects (TOXIC).
EINECS Number (EEC)	201-283-5
EEC Risk Statements	R23/24/25- Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. R36/37/38- Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin. R45- May cause cancer. R43- May cause sensitization by skin contact.
Japanese Regulatory Data	Not available.

**Section XVI. Other Information****Version 1.0****Validated on 3/23/1998.****Printed 3/11/2005.****Notice to Reader**

TCI laboratory chemicals are for research purposes only and are NOT intended for use as drugs, food additives, households, or pesticides. The information herein is believed to be correct, but does not claim to be all inclusive and should be used only as a guide. Neither the above named supplier nor any of its subsidiaries assumes any liability whatsoever for the accuracy or completeness of the information contained herein. Final determination of suitability of any material is the sole responsibility of the user. All chemical reagents must be handled with the recognition that their chemical, physiological, toxicological, and hazardous properties have not been fully investigated or determined. All chemical reagents should be handled only by individuals who are familiar with their potential hazards and who have been fully trained in proper safety, laboratory, and chemical handling procedures. Although certain hazards are described herein, we can not guarantee that these are the only hazards which exist. Our MSDS sheets are based only on data available at the time of shipping and are subject to change without notice as new information is obtained. Avoid long storage periods since the product is subject to degradation with age and may become more dangerous or hazardous. It is the responsibility of the user to request updated MSDS sheets for products that are stored for extended periods. Disposal of unused product must be undertaken by qualified personnel who are knowledgeable in all applicable regulations and follow all pertinent safety precautions including the use of appropriate protective equipment (e.g. protective goggles, protective clothing, breathing equipment, facial mask, fume hood). For proper handling and disposal, always comply with federal, state, and local regulations.

*Printed 3/11/2005.*