

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

**Product Name** Toluene

**Cat No. :** AC177160000; AC177160010; AC177160025; AC177160050;  
AC177160100; AC177160250

**CAS No** 108-88-3  
**Synonyms** Tol; Methylbenzene

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Company

Fisher Scientific Company  
One Reagent Lane  
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Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99

**CHEMTREC** Tel. No. **US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**:001-703-527-3887

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous according to [US] OSHA (29 CFR 1910.1200, 2024)

Flammable liquids	Category 2
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system, Central nervous system (CNS).	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Kidney, Liver, spleen, Blood, Neurological effects, Eyes, Ears.	
Aspiration Toxicity	Category 1

### Label Elements

**Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

Highly flammable liquid and vapor  
May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways  
Causes skin irritation  
Causes serious eye irritation  
May cause drowsiness or dizziness  
Suspected of damaging the unborn child  
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use  
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Wear eye/face protection  
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking  
Keep container tightly closed  
Ground and bond container and receiving equipment  
Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment  
Keep cool  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Take action to prevent static discharges  
Use non-sparking tools

**Response**

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

**Inhalation**

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

**Skin**

If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower

Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse

**Eyes**

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

**Ingestion**

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor

Do NOT induce vomiting

**Fire**

In case of fire: Use CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, or foam to extinguish

**Storage**

Store locked up

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

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

**Hazards classified under paragraph (d)(1)(ii) of 1910.1200**

No information available

WARNING. Reproductive Harm - <https://www.p65warnings.ca.gov/>.**3. Composition/information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Toluene	108-88-3	<=100

**4. First-aid measures**

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur. Risk of serious damage to the lungs (by aspiration).
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. If vomiting occurs naturally, have victim lean forward.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	Difficulty in breathing. Causes central nervous system depression: Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

**5. Fire-fighting measures**

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO2), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	4 °C / 39.2 °F
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	535 °C / 995 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	7.1 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	1.1 vol %
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	Not oxidising
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Flammable. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).**Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

**NFPA**Health  
3Flammability  
3Instability  
0Physical hazards  
N/A**6. Accidental release measures****Personal Precautions**

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

**Environmental Precautions**

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up**

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

**7. Handling and Storage****Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use only non-sparking tools. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

**Storage.**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Flammables area. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids. Strong bases. Halogenated compounds.

**8. Exposure controls / personal protection****Exposure Guidelines**

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Toluene	TWA: 20 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 100 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 375 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Ceiling: 300 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 150 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 560 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 200 ppm	IDLH: 500 ppm REL = 100 ppm (TWA) REL = 375 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (TWA) STEL: 150 ppm STEL: 560 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 20 ppm

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

**Engineering Measures**

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

**Personal Protective Equipment****Eye/face Protection**

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin and body protection**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.
<b>Recommended Filter type:</b>	Organic gases and vapours filter. Type A. Brown. conforming to EN14387.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Appearance

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Color</b>	Colorless
<b>Odor</b>	aromatic
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	1.74 ppm
<b>Property</b>	<b>Values</b>
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	-95 °C / -139 °F
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	111 °C / 231.8 °F
<b>Flash Point</b>	4 °C / 39.2 °F
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	Highly flammable
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	<b>Lower</b> 1.2 vol% <b>Upper</b> 7 vol%

### Remarks

### • Method

<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	535 °C / 995 °F
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available
<b>pH</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	0.6 mPa.s @ 20 °C
<b>Water Solubility</b>	practically insoluble 0.5 g/L @ 20°C
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>	
<b>Component</b>	<b>log Pow</b>
Toluene	2.73
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	29 mbar @ 20 °C
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>	0.866
<b>Bulk Density</b>	Not applicable
<b>Vapor Density</b>	3.1
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	Not applicable (liquid)

@ 760 mmHg

**Method** - No information available  
On basis of test data  
Liquid

Liquid  
(Air = 1.0)

### Other Information

<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C7 H8
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	92.14
<b>Explosive Properties</b>	Not explosive Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	Not oxidising
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	2.4 (Butyl acetate = 1.0)

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases, Halogenated compounds

**Hazardous Decomposition Products** Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on expected route of exposure

**Inhalation** Irritating to respiratory system. May be harmful if inhaled. May cause drowsiness and dizziness.

**Ingestion** Aspiration hazard if swallowed - can enter lungs and cause damage. May be harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Harmful if swallowed. Potential for aspiration if swallowed.

**Eyes** Irritating to eyes.

**Skin** Irritating to skin. Can be absorbed through skin. May be harmful in contact with skin.

### Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Toluene	> 5000 mg/kg ( Rat )	12000 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	26700 ppm ( Rat ) 1 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** Category 2  
**Test method** OECD 404  
**Test species** rabbit  
**Observational endpoint** Irritating to skin

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**  
**Respiratory** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
**Skin** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
 Not mutagenic in AMES Test

**(f) carcinogenicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
 The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Toluene	108-88-3	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** Category 2

**Reproductive Effects** Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.  
**Developmental Effects** Developmental effects have occurred in experimental animals.  
**Teratogenicity** Possible risk of harm to the unborn child.

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** Category 3  
**Results / Target organs** Central nervous system (CNS).

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; Category 2

**Target Organs**

Liver, Kidney, Central nervous system (CNS), Blood, spleen, Neuropsychological effects, Eyes, Ears.

(j) aspiration hazard; Category 1

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Causes central nervous system depression. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting.

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Contains a substance which is: Toxic to aquatic organisms.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Toluene	EC50: = 12.5 mg/L, 72h static (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: > 433 mg/L, 96h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata)	50-70 mg/L LC50 96 h 5-7 mg/L LC50 96 h 15-19 mg/L LC50 96 h 28 mg/L LC50 96 h 12 mg/L LC50 96 h	EC50 = 19.7 mg/L 30 min	EC50: = 11.5 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna) EC50: 5.46 - 9.83 mg/L, 48h Static (Daphnia magna)

**Persistence and Degradability** Persistence is unlikely

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Toluene	2.73

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Toluene - 108-88-3	U220	-

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN-No UN1294  
 Proper Shipping Name TOLUENE  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Packing Group II

### TDG

UN-No UN1294  
 Proper Shipping Name TOLUENE  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Packing Group II

### IATA

UN-No UN1294

Proper Shipping Name TOLUENE  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Packing Group II

**IMDG/IMO**

UN-No UN1294  
 Proper Shipping Name TOLUENE  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Packing Group II

## 15. Regulatory Information

**United States of America Inventory**

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Toluene	108-88-3	X	ACTIVE	-

**Legend:**

**TSCA** US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

**TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical  
 Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)**

Not applicable

**TSCA 12(b)** - Notices of Export

Not applicable

**International Inventories**

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Toluene	108-88-3	X	-	203-625-9	X	X	X	X	X	KE-33936

**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

**U.S. Federal Regulations****SARA 313**

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product contains a chemical or chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372.

Component	CAS No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %	SARA 313 - Reporting thresholds
Toluene	108-88-3	<=100	1.0 %	-

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

**CWA (Clean Water Act)**

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Toluene	X	1000 lb	X	X

**Clean Air Act**

Component	HAPS Data	Class 1 Ozone Depletors	Class 2 Ozone Depletors
Toluene	X		-

**OSHA** - Occupational Safety and

Not applicable



Health Administration

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355).

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA Extremely Hazardous Substances RQs	SARA Reportable Quantity (RQ)
Toluene	1000 lb	-	1000 lb 454 kg

**California Proposition 65**

This product contains the following Proposition 65 chemicals.

Component	CAS No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL	Category
Toluene	108-88-3	Developmental	-	Developmental

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Toluene	X	X	X	X	X

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y  
 DOT Marine Pollutant N  
 DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations****Mexico - Grade**

Serious risk, Grade 3

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Toluene	108-88-3	-	Use restricted. See entry 48. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

**REACH links**

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

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

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Toluene	108-88-3	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

#### Other International Regulations

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Toluene	108-88-3	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y42

## 16. Other Information

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**End of SDS**