

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Benzonitrile

Cat No. : AC446910000; AC446910010; AC446911000

CAS No 100-47-0
Synonyms BN

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

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

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

Flammable liquids	Category 4
Acute oral toxicity	Category 4
Acute dermal toxicity	Category 4

Label Elements

Signal Word

Warning

Hazard Statements

Combustible liquid
Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
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
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Take action to prevent static discharges

Skin

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell
Take off contaminated clothing

Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell
Rinse mouth

Fire

In case of fire: Use CO₂, dry chemical, or foam to extinguish

Storage

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

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

No information available

3. Composition/information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Benzonitrile	100-47-0	>95

4. First-aid measures

Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
Ingestion	Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.
Most important symptoms and effects	Difficulty in breathing. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO ₂). Dry chemical. Alcohol resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	71 °C / 159.8 °F
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	550 °C / 1022 °F
Explosion Limits	
Upper	7.20%
Lower	1.40%
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Combustible material. Flammable. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Containers may explode when heated.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Nitrogen oxides (NO_x). Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

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.

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Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
2	2	0	N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing.
Environmental Precautions	Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.
Methods for Containment and Clean Up	Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel, acid binder, universal binder, sawdust). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Provide adequate ventilation. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Remove all sources of ignition.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling	Ensure adequate ventilation. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
Storage.	Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Material darkens in color during storage. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Flammables area. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids. Strong bases. Strong reducing agents.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines	This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.
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Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Benzonitrile		(Vacated) TWA: 5 mg/m ³	IDLH: 14 ppm IDLH: 25 mg/m ³	

Legend

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Engineering Measures

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

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.

Respiratory Protection

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.

Recommended Filter type:

Organic gases and vapours filter. Type A. Brown. conforming to EN14387.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance**Physical State**

Liquid

Color

Clear

Odor

bitter almonds

Odor Threshold

No information available

PropertyValuesRemarks• Method**Melting Point/Range**

-13 °C / 8.6 °F

Softening Point

No data available

Boiling Point/Range

188 - 191 °C / 370.4 - 375.8 °F

@ 760 mmHg

Flash Point

71 °C / 159.8 °F

Method - No information available**Flammability (liquid)**

Combustible liquid

On basis of test data

Flammability (solid,gas)

Not applicable

Liquid

Explosion Limits**Lower** 1.4 Vol%**Upper** 7.2 Vol%**Autoignition Temperature**

550 °C / 1022 °F

Decomposition Temperature

No data available

pH

No information available

Viscosity

1.24 cPs at 25 °C

Water Solubility

10 g/L (100°C)

Solubility in other solvents

No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)**Component****log Pow**

Benzonitrile

1.5

Vapor Pressure

1.33 mbar @ 20 °C

Density / Specific Gravity

1.010

Bulk Density

Not applicable

Liquid

Vapor Density	3.56	(Air = 1.0)
Particle characteristics	Not applicable (liquid)	
Other Information		
Molecular Formula	C7 H5 N	
Molecular Weight	103.12	
Explosive Properties	explosive air/vapour mixtures possible	

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Temperatures above 30°C. Exposure to air. Incompatible products. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong bases, Strong reducing agents
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Nitrogen oxides (NO _x), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

Inhalation	Not an expected route of exposure.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.
Eyes	Avoid contact with eyes.
Skin	Avoid contact with skin. Harmful in contact with skin.

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Benzonitrile	LD50 = 700 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 1250 mg/kg (Rabbit)	LC50 = 950 ppm (Rat) 8 h

Toxicologically Synergistic Products	No information available
(b) skin corrosion/irritation;	No data available
(c) serious eye damage/irritation;	No data available
(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;	
Respiratory	No data available
Skin	No data available
(e) germ cell mutagenicity;	No data available
	Not mutagenic in AMES Test
(f) carcinogenicity;	
	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Benzonitrile	100-47-0	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; No data available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Symptoms of overexposure may be 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

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

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Benzonitrile	Not listed	LC50: = 78 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 78 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: = 400 mg/L, 96h static (Poecilia reticulata) LC50: = 130 mg/L, 96h (Brachydanio rerio) LC50: = 64 mg/L, 96h (Pimephales promelas)	EC50 = 10.1 mg/L 5 min EC50 = 10.6 mg/L 15 min EC50 = 11.6 mg/L 30 min EC50 = 32 mg/L 24 h	Not listed

Persistence and Degradability Persistence is unlikely

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility . Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Benzonitrile	1.5

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.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No UN2224
 Proper Shipping Name BENZONITRILE
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Packing Group II

TDG

UN-No UN2224
 Proper Shipping Name BENZONITRILE
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Packing Group II

IATA

UN-No UN2224
 Proper Shipping Name BENZONITRILE
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Packing Group II

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN2224
 Proper Shipping Name BENZONITRILE
 Hazard Class 6.1
 Packing Group II

15. Regulatory Information

United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Benzonitrile	100-47-0	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/NDL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Benzonitrile	100-47-0	X	-	202-855-7	X	X	X	X	X	KE-02715

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
Benzonitrile	100-47-0	>95	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
Benzonitrile	X	5000 lb	X	X

Clean Air Act

Not applicable

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

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Not applicable

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)
Benzonitrile	5000 lb	-	5000 lb 2270 kg

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

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

U.S. Department of Transportation

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

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations**Mexico - Grade**

No information available

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Not applicable

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)
Benzonitrile	100-47-0	-	-	-

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)
Benzonitrile	100-47-0	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)
Benzonitrile	100-47-0	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

16. Other Information

Prepared By	Product stewardship (Regulatory Affairs) Thermo Fisher Scientific email - begel.sdsdesk@thermofisher.com
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