

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Formamide, Spectrophotometric Grade

**Cat No. :** 44066

**CAS-No** 75-12-7  
**Synonyms** Carbamaldehyde; Methanamide.

**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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#### **Emergency Telephone Number**

During normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 8am-7pm EST), call (800) 343-0660.  
After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Carcinogenicity	Category 2
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 1B
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Liver, Kidney, Blood.	

#### Label Elements

#### **Signal Word**

Danger

#### **Hazard Statements**

Suspected of causing cancer  
May damage fertility. May damage 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  
 Use personal protective equipment as required  
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

**Response**

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

**Storage**

Store locked up

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

None identified

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Formamide	75-12-7	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. 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. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available

<b>Flash Point</b>	175 °C / 347 °F
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	500 °C / 932 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	19 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	2.7 vol %
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Nitrogen oxides (NOx). Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid). Ammonia.

**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. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

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<b>Health</b>	<b>Flammability</b>	<b>Instability</b>	<b>Physical hazards</b>
2	1	0	N/A

**6. Accidental release measures**

**Personal Precautions** Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

**Environmental Precautions** Should not be released into the environment.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

**7. Handling and storage**

**Handling** Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

**Storage** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

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

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Formamide	TWA: 10 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 20 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 30 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Vacated) STEL: 30 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 45 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 10 ppm TWA: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 10 ppm

**Legend**

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

**Engineering Measures** Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	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.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	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>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**9. Physical and chemical properties**

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	Clear
<b>Odor</b>	Ammonia-like
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	4-5 200 g/l aq.sol
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	2 - 3 °C / 35.6 - 37.4 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	210 °C / 410 °F
<b>Flash Point</b>	175 °C / 347 °F
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	19 vol %
<b>Lower</b>	2.7 vol %
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	0.08 mbar @ 20 °C
<b>Vapor Density</b>	1.56
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.133
<b>Solubility</b>	miscible
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	500 °C / 932 °F
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	180 °C
<b>Viscosity</b>	3.75 mPa.s at 20 °C
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C H3 N O
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	45.04

**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>	Excess heat. Incompatible products.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Acids, Bases, Strong oxidizing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid), Ammonia
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

**11. Toxicological information****Acute Toxicity**

**Product Information****Component Information**

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Formamide	LD50 = 5577 mg/kg ( Rat ) LD50 > 5000 mg/kg ( Rat )	17 g/kg ( Rabbit )	>3900 ppm ( Rat ) 6 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

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

**Irritation** No information available

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** Possible cancer hazard. May cause cancer based on animal data.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Formamide	75-12-7	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** Not mutagenic in AMES Test

**Reproductive Effects** May cause harm to the unborn child. Possible risk of impaired fertility.

**Developmental Effects** May cause harm to the unborn child. Developmental effects have occurred in experimental animals.

**Teratogenicity** Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

**STOT - single exposure** None known  
**STOT - repeated exposure** Liver Kidney Blood

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

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

## 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity**

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Formamide	EC50: > 500 mg/L, 96h (Desmodesmus subspicatus) EC50: > 500 mg/L, 72h (Desmodesmus subspicatus)	LC50: 4600 - 9300 mg/L, 96h static (Leuciscus idus) LC50: = 9135 mg/L, 96h static (Brachydanio rerio)	EC50 > 10000 mg/L 17 h	EC50: > 500 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)

**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
Formamide	-0.82

### 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 Not regulated  
TDG Not regulated  
IATA Not regulated  
IMDG/IMO Not regulated

### 15. Regulatory information

#### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS-No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active/Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Formamide	75-12-7	X	ACTIVE	-

#### Legend:

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

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

**TSCA 12(b)** - Notices of Export Not applicable

#### International Inventories

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

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Formamide	75-12-7	X	-	200-842-0	X	X	X	X	KE-17231

#### U.S. Federal Regulations

**SARA 313** Not applicable

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories** See section 2 for more information

**CWA (Clean Water Act)** Not applicable

**Clean Air Act** Not applicable

**OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration** Not applicable

**CERCLA** Not applicable

**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
Formamide	X	X	X	-	X

#### U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ): N  
 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**

Slight risk, Grade 1

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