

# **Trinitrotoluene (TNT)**

**Novachem Pty Ltd** 

Version No: **1.1**Safety Data Sheet according to WHS and ADG requirements

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# SECTION 1 IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY / UNDERTAKING

# **Product Identifier**

Product name	Trinitrotoluene (TNT)
Chemical Name	trinitrotoluene (TNT)
Synonyms	M-8330-11-0.1X
Proper shipping name	FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (contains methanol)
Chemical formula	CH3C6H2(NO2)3
Other means of identification	Not Available
CAS number	118-96-7*

# Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses Laboratory Chemical Reference Material

# Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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# **Emergency telephone number**

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	Association / Organisation	Victorian Poisons Information Centre
Eme	ergency telephone numbers	13 11 26
	Other emergency telephone numbers	Not Available

# **SECTION 2 HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

# Classification of the substance or mixture

Poisons Schedule	Not Applicable	
Classification <sup>[1]</sup>	Flammable Liquid Category 2, Acute Toxicity (Oral) Category 3, Acute Toxicity (Inhalation) Category 4, Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2, Eye Irritation Category 2A, Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure Category 2	
Legend:	1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HSIS; 3. Classification drawn from EC Directive 1272/2008 - Annex VI	

# Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)







SIGNAL WORD

DANGER

# Hazard statement(s)

H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapour.
H301	Toxic if swallowed.
H332	Harmful if inhaled.
H315	Causes skin irritation.

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H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H371	May cause damage to organs.

# Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

P210	Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces No smoking.
P233	Keep container tightly closed.
P260	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

# Precautionary statement(s) Response

P301+P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.	
P309+P311	IF exposed or if you feel unwell: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.	
P330	P330 Rinse mouth.	
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.	

# Precautionary statement(s) Storage

P403+P235	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405	Store locked up.

# Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.

# SECTION 3 COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

# Substances

CAS No	%[weight]	Name
118-96-7	0.01	trinitrotoluene (TNT)
75-05-8	49.995	acetonitrile
67-56-1	49.995	methanol

# **Mixtures**

See section above for composition of Substances

# **SECTION 4 FIRST AID MEASURES**

Description of first aid measures	
Eye Contact	If this product comes in contact with the eyes:  Immediately hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water.  Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.  Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.  Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.  Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.
Skin Contact	If skin or hair contact occurs:  ► Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).  ► Seek medical attention in event of irritation.
Inhalation	<ul> <li>If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.</li> <li>Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.</li> <li>Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.</li> <li>Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.</li> <li>Transport to hospital, or doctor.</li> </ul>
Ingestion	<ul> <li>If SWALLOWED, REFER FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION, WHERE POSSIBLE, WITHOUT DELAY.</li> <li>For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.</li> <li>Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed.</li> <li>In the mean time, qualified first-aid personnel should treat the patient following observation and employing supportive measures as indicated by the patient's condition.</li> <li>If the services of a medical officer or medical doctor are readily available, the patient should be placed in his/her care and a copy of the SDS should be provided. Further action will be the responsibility of the medical specialist.</li> <li>If medical attention is not available on the worksite or surroundings send the patient to a hospital together with a copy of the SDS.</li> <li>Where medical attention is not immediately available or where the patient is more than 15 minutes from a hospital or unless instructed otherwise:</li> <li>INDUCE vomiting with fingers down the back of the throat, ONLY IF CONSCIOUS. Lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.</li> <li>NOTE: Wear a protective glove when inducing vomiting by mechanical means.</li> </ul>

▶ If spontaneous vomiting appears imminent or occurs, hold patient's head down, lower than their hips to help avoid possible aspiration of vomitus.

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Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

- For cyanide intoxication (and for certain nitriles which produce cyanide ion) Signs symptoms of acute cyanide poisoning reflect cellular hypoxia and are often non-specific.
- Cyanosis may be a late finding.
- A bradycardic, hypertensive and tachypneic patient suggests poisoning especially if CNS and cardiovascular depression subsequently occurs.
- Immediate attention should be directed towards assisted ventilation, administration of 100% oxygen, insertion of intravenous lines and institution of cardiac monitoring.
- Obtain an arterial blood gas immediately and correct any severe metabolic acidosis (pH below 7.15).
- Mildly symptomatic patients generally require supportive care alone. Nitrites should not be given indiscriminately in all cases of moderate to severe poisoning, they should be given in conjunction with thiosulfate. As a temporizing measure supply amyl nitrite perles (0.2ml inhaled 30 seconds every minute) until intravenous lines for sodium nitrite are established. 10 ml of a 3% solution is administered over 4 minutes to produce 20% methaemoglobin in adults. Follow directly with 50 ml of 25% sodium thiosulfate, at the same rate, IV. If symptoms reappear or persist within 1/2-1 hour, repeat nitrite and thiosulfate at 50% of initial dose. As the mode of action involves the metabolic conversion of the thiosulfate to thiocyanate, renal failure may enhance thiocyanate toxicity.
- ▶ Methylene blue is not an antidote. [Ellenhorn and Barceloux: Medical Toxicology]

If amyl nitrite intervention is employed then Medical Treatment Kits should contain the following:

- One box containing one dozen amyl nitrite ampoules
- ▶ Two sterile ampoules of sodium nitrite solution (10 mL of a 3% solution in each)
- Two sterile ampoules of sodium thiosulfate solution (50 mL of a 25% solution in each)
- ▶ One 10 mL sterile syringe. One 50 mL sterile syringe. Two sterile intravenous needles. One tourniquet.
- One dozen gauze pads.
- Latex gloves
- A "Biohazard" bag for disposal of bloody/contaminated equipment.
- A set of cyanide instructions on first aid and medical treatment.
- Notes on the use of amyl nitrite:-
- AN is highly volatile and flammable do not smoke or use around a source of ignition.
- Fig. 1 ft treating patient in a windy or draughty area provide some shelter or protection (shirt, wall, drum, cupped hand etc.) to prevent amyl nitrite vapour from being blown away. Keep ampoule upwind from the nose, the objective is to get amyl nitrite into the patients lungs.
- ▶ Rescuers should avoid AN inhalation to avoid becoming dizzy and losing competence
- Lay the patient down. Since AN dilates blood vessels and lowers blood pressure, lying down will help keep patient conscious.
- ► DO NOT overuse ex ive use might put the patient into shock. Experience at DuPont plants has not shown any serious after-effects from treatment with amyl nitrite.

#### ADDITIONAL NOTES:

Major medical treatment procedures may vary e.g. US (FDA method as recommended by DuPont) uses amyl nitrite as a methaemoglobin generator, followed by treatment with sodium nitrite and then sodium thiosulfate

MODES OF ACTION: Amyl nitrite (AN) reacts with haemoglobin (HB) to form about 5% methaemoglobin (MHB). Sodium nitrite (NaNO2) reacts with haemoglobin to form approximately 20-30% methaemoglobin. Methaemoglobin attracts cyanide ions (CN) from tissue and binds with them to become cyanmethaemoglobin (CNMHB). Sodium thiosulfate (Na2S2O3) converts cyanmethaemoglobin to thiocyanate (HSCN) which is excreted by the kidneys. i.e. AN + HB = MHB NaNO2 + HB = MHB CN + MHB = CNMHB Na2S2O3 + CNMHB + O2 = HSCN

- The administration of the antidote salts is intravenous in normal saline, Ringers lactate or other available IV fluid.
- European practice may use 4-dimethylaminophenol (DMAP) as a methaemoglobin generator. Also hydroxycobalamin (Vitamin B12a) is used. Hydroxycobalamin works by reacting with cyanide to form cvanocobalamin (Vitamin B12) which is excreted in the urine.
- European and Australian NOHSC (ASCC) propose dicobalt edetate (Kelocyanor) as antidote. This acts by chelating cyanide to form stable cobalticyanide, which is excreted in the urine. In all cases hyperbaric therapy may increase the efficiency of a cyanide antidote kit.

For acute and short term repeated exposures to methanol:

- Toxicity results from accumulation of formaldehyde/formic acid.
- ▶ Clinical signs are usually limited to CNS, eyes and GI tract Severe metabolic acidosis may produce dyspnea and profound systemic effects which may become intractable. All symptomatic patients should have arterial pH measured. Evaluate airway, breathing and circulation.
- Stabilise obtunded patients by giving naloxone, glucose and thiamine.
- Decontaminate with Ipecac or lavage for patients presenting 2 hours post-ingestion. Charcoal does not absorb well; the usefulness of cathartic is not established.
- Forced diuresis is not effective; haemodialysis is recommended where peak methanol levels exceed 50 mg/dL (this correlates with serum bicarbonate levels below 18 meg/L).
- Ethanol, maintained at levels between 100 and 150 mg/dL, inhibits formation of toxic metabolites and may be indicated when peak methanol levels exceed 20 mg/dL. An intravenous solution of ethanol in D5W is optimal.
- Folate, as leucovorin, may increase the oxidative removal of formic acid, 4-methylovrazole may be an effective adjunct in the treatment, 8.Phenytoin may be preferable to diazepam for controlling seizure

[Ellenhorn Barceloux: Medical Toxicology]

**BIOLOGICAL EXPOSURE INDEX - BEI** 

Determinant Index Sampling Time Comment 1. Methanol in urine 15 ma/l End of shift B. NS 2. Formic acid in urine Before the shift at end of workweek B. NS 80 mg/gm creatinine

B: Background levels occur in specimens collected from subjects **NOT** exposed.

NS: Non-specific determinant - observed following exposure to other materials

# **SECTION 5 FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

# **Extinguishing media**

Water may be an ineffective extinguishing media for methanol fires; static explosions are reported for aqueous solutions as dilute as 30%. Water may be used to cool containers.

- Alcohol stable foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide

# Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

Fire Incompatibility Avoid contamination with oxidising agents i.e. nitrates, oxidising acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result

# Advice for firefighters

Fire Fighting

Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.

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	<ul> <li>Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves in the event of a fire.</li> <li>Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.</li> <li>Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.</li> </ul>
Fire/Explosion Hazard	<ul> <li>Liquid and vapour are flammable.</li> <li>Moderate fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.</li> <li>Vapour forms an explosive mixture with air.</li> <li>Moderate explosion hazard when exposed to heat or flame.</li> <li>Combustion products include:</li> <li>carbon dioxide (CO2)</li> <li>formaldehyde</li> <li>nitrogen oxides (NOx)</li> <li>other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.</li> </ul>
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# **SECTION 6 ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

# Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See section 8

# **Environmental precautions**

See section 12

# Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

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Minor Spills	<ul> <li>Remove all ignition sources.</li> <li>Clean up all spills immediately.</li> <li>Avoid breathing vapours and contact with skin and eyes.</li> <li>Control personal contact with the substance, by using protective equipment.</li> </ul>	
Major Spills	<ul> <li>▶ DO NOT touch the spill material</li> <li>For alkyl nitriles:</li> <li>For residue:</li> <li>▶ Add alkaline hypochlorite solution to spill to produce cyanate.</li> <li>▶ Neutralise liquid, and absorb with sawdust.</li> <li>▶ Collect solid residues and seal in drums for disposal.</li> <li>▶ Wash spill area with large quantities of water.</li> <li>▶ Clear area of personnel and move upwind.</li> <li>▶ Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.</li> <li>▶ May be violently or explosively reactive.</li> <li>▶ Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.</li> </ul>	

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS.

# **SECTION 7 HANDLING AND STORAGE**

# Precautions for safe handling

Safe handling	<ul> <li>Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.</li> <li>Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.</li> <li>Use in a well-ventilated area.</li> <li>Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.</li> </ul>
Other information	<ul> <li>Store in original containers.</li> <li>Keep containers securely sealed.</li> <li>Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.</li> <li>Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.</li> </ul>

# Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Conditions for safe storage,	including any incompatibilities
Suitable container	Glass container is suitable for laboratory quantities Lined metal can, lined metal pail/ can. Plastic pail. Polyliner drum. Packing as recommended by manufacturer. For low viscosity materials Drums and jerricans must be of the non-removable head type. Where a can is to be used as an inner package, the can must have a screwed enclosure. For materials with a viscosity of at least 2680 cSt. (23 deg. C) and solids (between 15 C deg. and 40 deg C.): Removable head packaging; Cans with friction closures and low pressure tubes and cartridges may be used.
Storage incompatibility	Methanol:  reacts violently with strong oxidisers, acetyl bromide, alkyl aluminium salts, beryllium dihydride, bromine, chromic acid, 1-chloro-3,3-difluoro-2-methoxycyclopropene, cyanuric chloride, diethylzinc, isophthaloyl chloride, nitric acid, perchloric acid, potassium-tert-butoxide, potassium sulfur diimide, Raney nickel catalysts, 2,4,6-trichlorotriazine, triethylaluminium, 1,3,3-trifluoro-2-methoxycyclopropene  is incompatible with strong acids, strong caucities, alkaline earth and alkali metals, aliphatic amines, acetaldehyde, benzoyl peroxide, 1,3-bis(din-cyclopentadienyl iron)-2-propen-1-one, calcium carbide, chloroform, chromic anhydride, chromium trioxide, dialkylzinc, dichlorine oxide, dichloromethane, ethylene oxide, hypochlorous acid, isocyanates, isopropyl chlorocarbonate, lithium tetrahydroaluminate, magnesium, methyl azide, nitrogen dioxide, palladium, pentafluoroguanidine, perchloryl fluoride, phosphorus pentasulfide, phosphorus trioxide, potassium, tangerine oil, triisobutylaluminium  mixtures with lead perchlorate, sodium hypochlorite are explosive

may react with metallic aluminium at high temperatures

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- slowly corrodes lead and aluminium
- ▶ may generate electrostatic charges, due to low conductivity, on flow or agitation
- attacks some plastics, rubber and coatings.

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- forms cyanide gas on contact with steam
- reacts violently with oxidisers such as chlorine, bromine, fluorine; with chlorosulfonic acid, oleum or sulfuric acid
- is incompatible with water (especially if acid or alkaline), acids, caustics, nitrating agents, indium, nitrogen tetroxide, sulfur trioxide, iron(III) salts of perchlorate, nitrogen fluoride compounds
- attacks most rubber and plastics
- ▶ may accumulate electrical charges, causing ignition of vapours
- ▶ Contact with acids produces toxic fumes
- ▶ Nitriles may polymerise in the presence of metals and some metal compounds.
- ▶ They are incompatible with acids: mixing nitriles with strong oxidising acids can lead to extremely violent reactions.
- ▶ Nitriles are generally incompatible with other oxidising agents such as peroxides and epoxides.
- ► The combination of bases and nitriles can produce hydrogen cyanide.
- ► The covalent cyano group is endothermic and many organic nitriles are reactive under certain conditions; N-cyano derivatives are reactive or unstable.
- ► The majority of endothermic compounds are thermodynamically unstable and may decompose explosively under various circumstances of initiation.
- Many but not all endothermic compounds have been involved in decompositions, reactions and explosions and, in general, compounds with significantly positive values of standard heats of formation, may be considered suspect on stability grounds.

BRETHERICK L.: Handbook of Reactive Chemical Hazards

May decompose violently or explosively on contact with other substances.

- ▶ This substance, or one of its components, is one of the relatively few compounds which are described as "endothermic" i.e. heat is absorbed into the compound, rather than released from it, during its formation.
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### Alcohols

- are incompatible with strong acids, acid chlorides, acid anhydrides, oxidising and reducing agents.
- reacts, possibly violently, with alkaline metals and alkaline earth metals to produce hydrogen
- react with strong acids, strong caustics, aliphatic amines, isocyanates, acetaldehyde, benzoyl peroxide, chromic acid, chromium oxide, dialkylzincs, dichlorine oxide, ethylene oxide, hypochlorous acid, isopropyl chlorocarbonate, lithium tetrahydroaluminate, nitrogen dioxide, pentafluoroguanidine, phosphorus halides, phosphorus pentasulfide, tangerine oil, triethylaluminium, triisobutylaluminium
- ▶ should not be heated above 49 deg. C. when in contact with aluminium equipment
- Avoid storage with reducing agents.

# **SECTION 8 EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

#### Control parameters

# OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS (OEL)

# INGREDIENT DATA

Source	Ingredient	Material name	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notes
Australia Exposure Standards	trinitrotoluene (TNT)	2,4,6-Trinitrotoluene (TNT)	0.5 mg/m3	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	acetonitrile	Acetonitrile	67 mg/m3 / 40 ppm	101 mg/m3 / 60 ppm	Not Available	Not Available
Australia Exposure Standards	methanol	Methyl alcohol	262 mg/m3 / 200 ppm	328 mg/m3 / 250 ppm	Not Available	Not Available

# **EMERGENCY LIMITS**

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Ingredient	Material name	TEEL-1	TEEL-2	TEEL-3
trinitrotoluene (TNT)	Trinitrotoluene, 2,4,6-	0.3 mg/m3	17 mg/m3	1,000 mg/m3
acetonitrile	Acetonitrile	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
methanol	Methyl alcohol; (Methanol)	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available

Ingredient	Original IDLH	Revised IDLH
trinitrotoluene (TNT)	500 mg/m3	Not Available
acetonitrile	500 ppm	137 ppm
methanol	6000 ppm	Not Available

# **Exposure controls**

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection.

The basic types of engineering controls are:

Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk.

Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment.

### Personal protection









- Safety glasses with side shields Eye and face protection
  - Chemical goggles
  - Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lenses or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task.

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Hands/feet protection	for acetonitrile: Butyl rubber, PVAL, Teflon, Saranex, Silvershield, Viton/ chlorobutyl are all highly resistant to permeation ▶ Wear chemical protective gloves, e.g. PVC. ▶ Wear safety footwear or safety gumboots, e.g. Rubber
Body protection	See Other protection below
Other protection	Overalls.  Eyewash unit. Barrier cream. Skin cleansing cream.
Thermal hazards	Not Available

### Recommended material(s)

# GLOVE SELECTION INDEX

Glove selection is based on a modified presentation of the:

"Forsberg Clothing Performance Index".

The effect(s) of the following substance(s) are taken into account in the *computer-generated* selection:

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Material	СРІ
BUTYL	A
BUTYL/NEOPRENE	A
PE/EVAL/PE	A
SARANEX-23	A
NEOPRENE	В
TEFLON	В
CPE	С
NAT+NEOPR+NITRILE	С
NATURAL RUBBER	С
NATURAL+NEOPRENE	С
NEOPRENE/NATURAL	С
NITRILE	С
PVA	С
PVC	С
PVDC/PE/PVDC	С
SARANEX-23 2-PLY	С
VITON/NEOPRENE	С

<sup>\*</sup> CPI - Chemwatch Performance Index

A: Best Selection

**NOTE**: As a series of factors will influence the actual performance of the glove, a final selection must be based on detailed observation. -

#### Respiratory protection

Type A Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

Where the concentration of gas/particulates in the breathing zone, approaches or exceeds the "Exposure Standard" (or ES), respiratory protection is required.

Degree of protection varies with both face-piece and Class of filter; the nature of protection varies with Type of filter.

Required Minimum Protection Factor	Half-Face Respirator	Full-Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
up to 10 x ES	A-AUS	-	A-PAPR-AUS / Class 1
up to 50 x ES	-	A-AUS / Class 1	-
up to 100 x ES	-	A-2	A-PAPR-2 ^

### ^ - Full-face

 $A(All\ classes) = Organic\ vapours,\ B\ AUS\ or\ B1 = Acid\ gasses,\ B2 = Acid\ gas\ or\ hydrogen\ cyanide(HCN),\ E = Sulfur\ dioxide(SO2),\ G = Agricultural\ chemicals,\ K = Ammonia(NH3),\ Hg = Mercury,\ NO = Oxides\ of\ nitrogen,\ MB = Methyl\ bromide,\ AX = Low\ boiling\ point\ organic\ compounds(below\ 65\ degC)$ 

# **SECTION 9 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

# Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Not Available		
Physical state	Liquid	Relative density (Water = 1)	Not Available
Odour	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Available
Odour threshold	Not Available	Auto-ignition temperature (°C)	Not Available
pH (as supplied)	Not Available	Decomposition temperature	Not Available
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	Not Available	Viscosity (cSt)	Not Available
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	Not Available	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Not Available
Flash point (°C)	23 CC	Taste	Not Available
Evaporation rate	Not Available	Explosive properties	Not Available
Flammability	Flammable.	Oxidising properties	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Available
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Volatile Component (%vol)	99.9

B: Satisfactory; may degrade after 4 hours continuous immersion

C: Poor to Dangerous Choice for other than short term immersion

<sup>\*</sup> Where the glove is to be used on a short term, casual or infrequent basis, factors such as "feel" or convenience (e.g. disposability), may dictate a choice of gloves which might otherwise be unsuitable following long-term or frequent use. A qualified practitioner should be consulted.

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Vapour pressure (kPa)	Not Available	Gas group	Not Available
Solubility in water (g/L)	Miscible	pH as a solution (1%)	Not Available
Vapour density (Air = 1)	Not Available	VOC g/L	Not Available

#### **SECTION 10 STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	<ul> <li>Static induced flash fires have happened when filling plastic containers with methanol / water solutions with as low as 30% methanol content.</li> <li>Presence of elevated temperatures.</li> <li>Unstable in the presence of incompatible materials.</li> <li>Product is considered stable.</li> <li>Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.</li> </ul>
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

#### **SECTION 11 TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Information	٥n	toxical	onical	effects
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The material is not thought to produce respiratory irritation (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless inhalation of vapours, fumes or aerosols, especially for prolonged periods, may produce respiratory discomfort and occasionally, distress. Changes to blood vessels and the presence of methaemoglobin in the blood contribute to the signs and symptoms characteristic of trinitrotoluene (TNT)

Inhalation of vapours or aerosols (mists, fumes), generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may be harmful.

poisoning. Exposure may cause sneezing, sore throat, headache, weakness, anaemia and liver injury.

#### Inhaled

Minor but regular methanol exposures may effect the central nervous system, optic nerves and retinae. Symptoms may be delayed, with headache, fatigue, nausea, blurring of vision and double vision. Continued or severe exposures may cause damage to optic nerves, which may become severe with permanent visual impairment even blindness resulting.

WARNING: Methanol is only slowly eliminated from the body and should be regarded as a cumulative poison which cannot be made non-harmful [CCINFO]

The smell of acetonitrile does not give enough warning of exposure. The gas is highly toxic, and inhaling it can cause loss of consciousness.

### Ingestion

Toxic effects may result from the accidental ingestion of the material; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 40 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual.

Nitrile poisoning exhibits similar symptoms to poisoning due to hydrogen cyanide. The substances irritate the eyes and skin, and are absorbed quickly and completely through the skin.

Cyanide poisoning can cause increased saliva output, nausea without vomiting, anxiety, confusion, vertigo, dizziness, stiffness of the lower jaw, convulsions, spasm, paralysis, coma and irregular heartbeat, and stimulation of breathing followed by failure. Often the skin becomes cyanosed (blue-grey), and this is often delaved. Skin contact is not thought to produce harmful health effects (as classified under EC Directives using animal models). Systemic harm, however, has been

identified following exposure of animals by at least one other route and the material may still produce health damage following entry through wounds,

# Skin Contact

lesions or abrasions TNT is absorbed through intact skin. Ten percent of workers exposed by skin contact become ill.

Toxic effects may result from skin absorption

Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material

Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

# Eve

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There is evidence that material may produce eve irritation in some persons and produce eve damage 24 hours or more after instillation. Severe inflammation may be expected with pain.

Long-term exposure to the product is not thought to produce chronic effects adverse to the health (as classified by EC Directives using animal models); nevertheless exposure by all routes should be minimised as a matter of course. Chronic exposure to cyanides and certain nitriles may result in interference to iodine uptake by thyroid gland and its consequent enlargement. This occurs

following metabolic conversion of the cyanide moiety to thiocyanate.

# Chronic

Exposure at work to trinitrotoluene (TNT) and its related substances has been associated with dermatitis, bluing of the extremities, inflammation of the stomach, acute yellow shrinkage of the liver and aplastic anaemia. Occasionally, there may be increased or decreased white cell count, varying degrees of central nervous system changes (probably as a result of low oxygen levels), inflammation of the peripheral nerves, muscle pains, irregularities in the heart, muscle and menstruation, and irritation of the kidneys and urinary system. Young adult men often present with a toxic hepatitis while older workers show a full-blown aplastic anaemia. A long-term survey at a munitions plant where TNT had been handled showed no cases of permanent liver damage, although symptoms of liver involvement occurred in some workers.

Long-term exposure to methanol vapour, at concentrations exceeding 3000 ppm, may produce cumulative effects characterised by gastrointestinal disturbances (nausea, vomiting), headache, ringing in the ears, insomnia, trembling, unsteady gait, vertigo, conjunctivitis and clouded or double vision. Liver and/or kidney injury may also result.

Trinitrotolue	ne (TNT)

TOXICITY	IRRITATION
Oral (rat) LD50: 607 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Not Available

# trinitrotoluene (TNT)

TOXICITY	IRRITATION
Oral (rat) LD50: 607 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Skin (rabbit): 500 mg/24h - mild

### acetonitrile

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	Dermal (rabbit) LD50: 980 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbi	t):20 mg (open)-SEVERE		
	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 17080.4889 mg/l4 h <sup>[1]</sup>	it):500 mg (open)-mild			
	Oral (rat) LD50: <2000 mg/kg> <sup>[1]</sup>				
	TOXICITY	IRRITATIO			
methanol	Dermal (rabbit) LD50: 15800 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbi	t): 100 mg/24h-moderate		
methanoi	Inhalation (rat) LC50: 63926.976 mg/l/4h <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbi	it): 40 mg-moderate		
	Oral (rat) LD50: 5600 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Skin (rabb	it): 20 mg/24 h-moderate		
Legend:	Value obtained from Europe ECHA Registered Substa data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effect of Communication		from manufacturer's SDS. Unless otherwise specified		
TRINITROTOLUENE (TNT)	The substance is classified by IARC as Group 3: NOT classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans. Evidence of carcinogenicity may be inadequate or limited	in animal testing.			
ACETONITRILE	The material may produce severe irritation to the eye causing pronounced inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may produce conjunctivitis.  Absorption of acetonitrile occurs after oral, skin, or inhalation exposure. The liquid or vapour is irritating to the skin, eyes, and airways. At high enough doses, death can occur quickly from respiratory failure. Lower doses cause typical symptoms of cyanide poisoning such as salivation, nausea, vomiting, anxiety, confusion, rapid and difficult breathing, rapid pulse, unconsciousness, and convulsions.				
TRINITROTOLUENE (TNT) & ACETONITRILE & METHANOL	The material may cause skin irritation after prolonged or rescaling and thickening of the skin.	epeated exposure and may produce on	contact skin redness, swelling, the production of vesicles,		
Acute Toxicity	<b>~</b>	Carcinogenicity	0		
Skin Irritation/Corrosion	<b>~</b>	Reproductivity	0		
Serious Eye Damage/Irritation	<b>→</b>	STOT - Single Exposure	<b>*</b>		
Respiratory or Skin sensitisation	0	STOT - Repeated Exposure	0		
Mutagenicity	0	Aspiration Hazard	0		

Legend:

X − Data available but does not fill the criteria for classification
 ✓ − Data available to make classification

O - Data Not Available to make classification

# **SECTION 12 ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

# Toxicity

	ENDPOINT	TES	T DURATION (HR)	SPE	CIES		VALUE			SOURCE
	LC50	96		Fish	1		1.2mg/L	1.2mg/L		4
Trinitrotoluene (TNT)	EC50	48		Crus	stacea		11.9mg/	L		4
	EC50	96		Alga	Algae or other aquatic plants		>0.0021	>0.0021- <0.0029mg/L		2
	NOEC	72		Fish	1		165.00m	ng/L		4
	ENDPOINT	TES	T DURATION (HR)	SPE	CIES		VALUE			SOURCE
	LC50	96		Fish	1		1.2mg/L			4
trinitrotoluene (TNT)	EC50	48		Crus	stacea		11.9mg/	L		4
	EC50	96		Alga	Algae or other aquatic plants		>0.0021	>0.0021- <0.0029mg/L		2
	NOEC 72			Fish			165.00mg/L		4	
	ENDPOINT		TEST DURATION (HR)			SPECIES	VALUE		SO	URCE
acetonitrile	LC50	,		Fish			>100mg/L 4		-	OKOL
dotomano	NOEC		24			Crustacea	0.00001mg/L		4	
	-		·				·			
	ENDPOINT	TE	ST DURATION (HR)		SPECIES			VALUE		SOURCE
	LC50	96	96		Fish			>100mg/L		4
	EC50	48			Crustacea			>10000mg/L		4
methanol	EC50	96			Algae or other	er aquatic plants		<10000mg/L		4
	BCF	24			Algae or othe	er aquatic plants		0.05mg/L		4
	EC0	16	8	Algae or other aquatic plants				=530mg/L		1
	NOEC	72			Crustacea			0.1mg/L		4

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Legend:

Extracted from 1. IUCLID Toxicity Data 2. Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Ecotoxicological Information - Aquatic Toxicity 3. EPIWIN Suite V3.12 (QSAR) - Aquatic Toxicity Data (Estimated) 4. US EPA, Ecotox database - Aquatic Toxicity Data 5. ECETOC Aquatic Hazard Assessment Data 6. NITE (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 7. METI (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 8. Vendor Data

The compounds 2-amino-4,6-dinitrotoluene (2A-DNT) and 4-amino-2,6-dinitrotoluene (4A-DNT), reduction products of 2,4,5-trinitrotoluene (TNT), are rapidly formed by microbial degradation when TNT is released to the soil.

Environmental Fate: 2A-DNT is photosensitive at wavelengths >290nm indicating that it may have the potential to undergo photolytic degradation. Study shows that 2A-DNT was degraded in the presence of mixed microbial isolates, undifferentiated sludge samples, and in the presence of pure culture of Pseudomonas spp. It is suggested that 4A-DNT may also undergo a similar range of interactions.

Soil Guidelines: Dutch Criteria: free cyanide: 1 mg/kg (target) 20 mg/kg (intervention)

complex cyanide (pH 5): 5 mg/kg (target)

50 ma/ka (intervention)

Air Quality Standards: no safe guidelines recommended due to carcinogenic properties.

For Methanol: Log Kow: -0.82 to -0.66; Koc: 1; Henry ♦ s Law Constant: 4.55x10-6 atm-cu m/mole; Vapor Pressure: 127 mm Hg; BCF: < 10.

Atmospheric Fate: Methanol is expected to exist solely as a vapor in the ambient atmosphere. Vapor-phase methanol is broken down in the atmosphere by reactions with hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for this reaction in air is estimated to be 17 days.

Terrestrial Fate: Methanol is expected to have very high mobility in soil.

Abiotic Effects: Acetonitrile is a volatile organic compound (VOC) substance, thus it is a contributor to the formation of photochemical smog in the presence of other VOCs.

Transport: Acetonitrile is primarily removed by volatilization and leaching into groundwater. It has low adsorption potential to soils. Air - Acetonitrile may persist in the troposphere and can be transported over long distances.

DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

### Persistence and degradability

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
trinitrotoluene (TNT)	HIGH	HIGH
acetonitrile	HIGH (Half-life = 360 days)	HIGH (Half-life = 541.29 days)
methanol	LOW	LOW

#### Bioaccumulative potential

Ingredient	Bioaccumulation
trinitrotoluene (TNT)	LOW (LogKOW = 1.6)
acetonitrile	LOW (BCF = 0.4)
methanol	LOW (BCF = 10)

# Mobility in soil

Ingredient	Mobility
trinitrotoluene (TNT)	LOW (KOC = 1834)
acetonitrile	LOW (KOC = 4.5)
methanol	HIGH (KOC = 1)

# **SECTION 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

### Waste treatment methods

Product / Packaging disposal

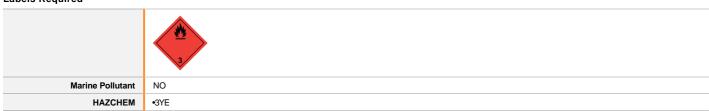
- ► Containers may still present a chemical hazard/ danger when empty.
- ► Return to supplier for reuse/ recycling if possible

### Otherwise:

- If container can not be cleaned sufficiently well to ensure that residuals do not remain or if the container cannot be used to store the same product, then puncture containers, to prevent re-use, and bury at an authorised landfill.
- ▶ Where possible retain label warnings and SDS and observe all notices pertaining to the product.
- ▶ **DO NOT** allow wash water from cleaning or process equipment to enter drains.
- In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
- $\,\blacktriangleright\,$  Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.
- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- Consult State Land Waste Authority for disposal.
- ► Bury or incinerate residue at an approved site.
- ▶ Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorised landfill

# **SECTION 14 TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

# Labels Required



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# Trinitrotoluene (TNT)

UN number	1993
UN proper shipping name	FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (contains methanol)
Transport hazard class(es)	Class 3 Subrisk Not Applicable
Packing group	II .
Environmental hazard	Not Applicable
Special precautions for user	Special provisions 274 Limited quantity 1 L

# Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR)

# Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee)

UN number	1993
UN proper shipping name	FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (contains methanol)
Transport hazard class(es)	IMDG Class     3       IMDG Subrisk     Not Applicable
Packing group	П
Environmental hazard	Not Applicable
Special precautions for user	EMS Number F-E, S-E Special provisions 274 Limited Quantities 1 L

# Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Source	Product name	Pollution Category	Ship Type
IMO MARPOL (Annex II) - List of Noxious Liquid Substances Carried in Bulk	Nitropropane (60%)/Nitroethane (40%) mixture	Υ	3

# **SECTION 15 REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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

# TRINITROTOLUENE (TNT)(118-96-7) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS Australia Exposure Standards

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Appendix A

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) - Agents Classified by the IARC Monographs

International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations - Prohibited List Passenger and Cargo Aircraft

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Australia Exposure Standards

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Appendix

E (Part 2)

Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Appendix J (Part 2)

### METHANOL(67-56-1) IS FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING REGULATORY LISTS

Australia Exposure Standards

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Appendix E (Part 2)

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Appendix F (Part 3)

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 5

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 6

National Inventory	Status	
Australia - AICS	Υ	
Canada - DSL	Υ	
Canada - NDSL	N (methanol; acetonitrile; trinitrotoluene (TNT))	
China - IECSC	Υ	
Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP	Y	
Japan - ENCS	Y	
Korea - KECI	Y	
New Zealand - NZIoC	Y	
Philippines - PICCS	Y	
USA - TSCA	Y	
Legend:	Y = All ingredients are on the inventory  N = Not determined or one or more ingredients are not on the inventory and are not exempt from listing(see specific ingredients in brackets)	

### **SECTION 16 OTHER INFORMATION**

#### Other information

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

# Definitions and abbreviations

PC – TWA: Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average

PC-STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit。

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations

OSF: Odour Safety Factor

NOAEL :No Observed Adverse Effect Level

LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level

TLV: Threshold Limit Value

LOD: Limit Of Detection

OTV: Odour Threshold Value

BCF: BioConcentration Factors BEI: Biological Exposure Index

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