0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

## SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

## Toluene

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## SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Toluene Synonym: methyl benzene CAS#: 108-88-3

## SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Colorless liquid; benzene-like odor. Moderately toxic by ingestion and inhalation. Severe body tissue irritant. Irritating to lungs. Avoid all body tissue contact and inhalation of chemical vapors. Flammable liquid, dangerous fire risk. Flammable liquid, dangerous fire risk.

#### SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid. Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately. Eye or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes. Internal: Rinse mouth. Give large quantities of water for dilution. Call a physician or poison control at once.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES	
Class IB flammable liquid.	NFPA CODE
Flash point: 4 °C Flammable limits: Lower: 1% Upper: 7% Autoignition Temperature: 536 °C	H-2
Dangerous fire risk.	F-3
Fire Fighting Instructions: Use triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and	R-0
SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.	

#### SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from area. Remove all ignition sources and ventilate area. Contain spill with sand or other inert absorbent material; deposit in sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

#### SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #3. Store with hydrocarbons, oils, esters, and aldehydes. Store in a dedicated flammables cabinet. If a flammables cabinet is not available, store in Flinn Saf-Stor Can. Use and dispense in a hood.

#### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and chemical-resistant apron. Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire). Exposure guidelines: TWA 100 ppm, STEL 150 ppm (OSHA)

## **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Colorless liquid; benzene-like odor. Solubility: Soluble in alcohol and ether; Insoluble in water. Formula: C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> Formula weight: 92.14

## SECTION 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Avoid contact with strong oxidizers. Shelf life: Good, if stored properly.

## SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: Toxic, severe irritant, lung irritation, chest pain and edema, which may be fatal. Chronic effects: N.A. Target organs: Brain, liver, kidneys, bladder.

ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: 636 mg/kg IHL-RAT LC50: 26700 ppm/1H SKN-RBT LD<sub>50</sub>: 12124 mg/kg

Boiling point: 111 °C

Melting point: -93 °C

Vapor density: 3.2 Vapor pressure: 22 mmHg

Specific gravity: 0.866

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

## **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Data not yet available.

#### SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding. Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #18b is one option.

#### **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Toluene Hazard class: 3, Flammable liquid UN number: UN1294 N/A = Not applicable

## SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (203-625-9), RCRA code U220.

#### **SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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