



# Safety Data Sheet

## SECTION 1: Identification

### 1.1. Product Identifier

**Trade Name or Designation:** Methyl Ethyl Ketone, ASTM D740  
(2-Butanone)

**Product Number:** 2-25050

**Other Identifying Product Numbers:** 2-25050-1, 2-25050-5, 2-25050-7

### 1.2. Recommended Use and Restrictions on Use

General Laboratory Reagent

### 1.3. Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

**Company:** Reagents Inc.

**Address:** 4746 Sweden Road  
Charlotte, NC 28224 USA

**Telephone:** 800-732-8484

### 1.4. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hr)

CHEMTREC (USA) 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC (International) 1+ 703-527-3887

## SECTION 2: Hazard(s) Identification

### 2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture (in accordance with OSHA HCS 29 CFR 1910.1200)

*For the full text of the Hazard and Precautionary Statements listed below, see Section 16.*

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard Statement	Precautionary Statements
Skin Corrosion / Irritation	Category 2	H315	P264, P280, P302+P352, P321, P332+P313, P362
Eye Damage / Irritation	Category 2A	H319	P264, P280, P305+P351+P338, P337+P313
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Single Exposure	Category 1	H370	P260, P264, P270, P307+P311, P321, P405, P501
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Repeated Exposure	Category 1	H372	P260, P264, P270, P314, P501
Flammable Liquids	Category 2	H225	P210, P233, P240, P241, P242, P243, P280, P303+P361+P353, P370+P378, P403+P235, P501

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### 2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: **Danger**

Hazard Statements:

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapor.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H370	Causes damage to organs.
H372	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

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### Precautionary Statements:

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P210	Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking.
P233	Keep container tightly closed.
P240	Ground container and receiving equipment.
P241	Use explosion-proof equipment.
P242	Use only non-sparking tools.
P243	Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P260	Do not breathe dust, fumes or mist.
P264	Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P307+P311	IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P314	Get medical attention if you feel unwell.
P321	Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention.
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### 2.3. WHMIS Classification

WHMIS classification is not included based on the recommended option (Option 4) found in the Canada Gazette Part II, Vol. 149, No.3, page 458

### 2.4. Hazards not Otherwise Classified or Covered by GHS

Data not available.

## SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

### 3.1. Components of Substance or Mixture

Chemical Name	Formula	Molecular Weight	CAS Number	Weight%
Methyl Ethyl Ketone	CH <sub>3</sub> COCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	72.10 g/mol	78-93-3	100.00%



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### SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

#### 4.1. General First Aid Information

**Eye Contact:** IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. May cause irritation with burning and stinging with possible damage to the cornea and conjunctiva.

**Inhalation:** Not expected to require first aid. If necessary, remove to fresh air.

**Skin Contact:** IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. Results in drying and cracking which can lead to secondary infections and dermatitis.

**Ingestion:** Aspiration hazard. Do not induce vomiting, vomiting may occur spontaneously. If vomiting occurs, keep head below hips to prevent aspiration into lungs. Call a physician.

#### 4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

Flammable liquid! May cause flash fire. Harmful if swallowed or inhaled. If ingested, vomiting may occur spontaneously, but do not induce. Call a physician immediately. Causes irritation to the eyes, skin and respiratory tract. Wash areas of contact with water. May affect central nervous system. EYE CONTACT: May cause irritation with burning and stinging with possible damage to the cornea and conjunctiva. SKIN CONTACT: Results in drying and cracking which can lead to secondary infections and dermatitis. CHRONIC EFFECTS / CARCINOGENICITY: Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause dermatitis.

#### 4.3. Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).

### SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

#### 5.1. Extinguishing Media

Carbon dioxide, dry chemical, alcohol foam

#### 5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

Highly flammable liquid and vapor. Vapors may produce flash fires. Vapors can flow along surfaces to distant ignition source and flash back. Explosion hazard when exposed to heat, flame or oxidizers.

#### 5.3. Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters

Wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

### SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

#### 6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Ground container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

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### 6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Remove all sources of ignition. Contain spill. Do not flush to sewer. Absorb with suitable inert material (vermiculite, dry sand, etc) and place in a chemical waste container for proper disposal in an approved waste disposal facility. Ventilate area of spill. Have extinguishing agent available in case of fire. Use non-sparking tools and equipment. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

## SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

### 7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

Store locked up. As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from freezing and physical damage. Store in secure, flammable storage area away from all sources of ignition. Empty containers may be hazardous since they retain product residues. Use non-sparking tools and equipment.

## SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

### 8.1. Control Parameters

Chemical Name	Limit Type	Country	Exposure Limit	Information Source
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (78-93-3)	TWA	USA	200 ppm TWA 590 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	U.S. - OSHA - Final PELs - Time Weighted Averages (TWAs)
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (78-93-3)	TLV-STEL	USA	300 ppm STEL	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (78-93-3)	TLV-TWA	USA	200 ppm TWA	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)

### 8.2. Exposure Controls

**Engineering Controls:** A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below the Airborne Exposure Limit.

**Respiratory Protection:** If the TLV is exceeded, a half-mask organic vapor respirator may be worn for up to 10 times the exposure limit or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. A full facepiece organic vapor respirator may be worn for up to 50 times the exposure limit, or the maximum use concentration specified by the respirator supplier, whichever is lowest.

**Skin Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Chemical resistant gloves.

**Eye Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Safety glasses or goggles.

### 8.3. Personal Protective Equipment

Wear protective gloves and eye protection. If the TLV is exceeded, a half-mask organic vapor respirator may be worn for up to 10 times the exposure limit or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. A full facepiece organic vapor respirator may be worn for up to 50 times the exposure limit, or the maximum use concentration specified by the respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. Chemical resistant gloves. Safety glasses or goggles.

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### SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

#### 9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

**Appearance:** Colorless liquid

**Physical State:** Liquid

**Odor:** Sharp, fragrant, acetone-like

**Odor Threshold:** Data not available.

**pH:** Data not available.

**Melting/Freezing Point:** -86.4°C

**Initial Boiling Point /Range:** 78.5°C - 81.0°C

**Flash Point:** -9°C

**Evaporation Rate:** 2.7 (ether = 1)

**Flammability:** Data not available.

**Flammability/Explosive Limits:** 1.4% - 11.4%

**Vapor Pressure:** 101 hPa at 20°C

**Vapor Density:** 2.41

**Relative Density:** 0.81

**Solubility:** 27.1 G/L at 20°C

**Partition Coefficient (n-Octanol/Water):** 0.29

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** 404°C

**Decomposition Temperature:** Data not available.

**Viscosity:** Data not available.

**Explosive Properties:** Data not available.

**Oxidizing Properties:** Data not available.

### SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

#### 10.1. Reactivity and Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions of use and storage.

#### 10.2. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Data not available.

#### 10.3. Conditions to Avoid and Incompatible Materials

Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Oxidizing materials, caustics, amines, ammonia, strong

#### 10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.

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### SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

#### 11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

**Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Acute Toxicity - Other Information:**

LD50, Oral, Rat: 2737 mg/kg; LC50, Inhalation, Rat: 23,500 mg/m<sup>3</sup>/8-hr; LD50, Skin, Rabbit: 6480 mg/kg; investigated as a mutagen, reproductive effector. Has shown teratogenic effects in laboratory animals.

**Skin Corrosion and Irritation:**

Causes skin irritation. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

**Serious Eye Damage and Irritation:**

Causes serious eye irritation. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. 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 attention.

**Respiratory Sensitization:**

Not applicable.

**Skin Sensitization:**

Not applicable.

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity:**

Not applicable.

**Carcinogenicity:**

Not applicable.

**Reproductive Toxicity:**

Not applicable.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Single Exposure:**

Causes damage to organs. Do not breathe dust, fumes or mist. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

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### Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Repeated Exposure:

Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Do not breathe dust, fumes or mist. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### Aspiration Hazard:

Not applicable.

### Additional Toxicology Information:

Data not available.

## SECTION 12: Ecological Information

### 12.1. Ecotoxicity

Not applicable.

### 12.2. Persistence and Degradability

Data not available.

### 12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential

Data not available.

### 12.4. Mobility in Soil

Data not available.

### 12.5. Other Adverse Ecological Effects

Data not available.

## SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

### 13.1. Waste Treatment Methods

Data not available.

## SECTION 14: Transportation Information

### 14.1. Transportation by Land - Department of Transportation (DOT, United States of America)

UN Number: UN1193

Proper Shipping Name: Methyl Ethyl Ketone

Hazard Class: 3

Packing Group: II

Hazard Placard Labels:



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### 14.2. Transportation by Air - International Air Transport Association (IATA)

**UN Number:** UN1193

**Proper Shipping Name:** Methyl Ethyl Ketone

**Hazard Class:** 3

**Packing Group:** II

**Hazard Placard Labels:**



## SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

### 15.1. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Not listed.

### 15.2. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

Not listed.

### 15.3. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (CAS # 78-93-3): 5000 lb final RQ; 2270 kg final RQ

### 15.4. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxic Release Inventory (TRI)

Not listed.

### 15.5. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (CAS # 78-93-3): Present

### 15.6. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (CAS # 78-93-3): Environmental hazard

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (CAS # 78-93-3): Present

### 15.7. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Components

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (CAS # 78-93-3): flammable - third degree

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (CAS # 78-93-3): sn 1258

### 15.8. California Proposition 65

Not listed.

### 15.9. Canada Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List (DSL/NDSL)

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (CAS # 78-93-3): Present

### 15.10. United States of America Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) List

Methyl Ethyl Ketone (CAS # 78-93-3): Present

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### 15.11. European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS), European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS), and No Longer Polymers (NLP)

Not listed.

## SECTION 16: Other Information

### 16.1. Full Text of Hazard Statements and Precautionary Statements

Highly flammable liquid and vapor. Causes skin irritation. Causes serious eye irritation. Causes damage to organs. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Ground container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Do not breathe dust, fumes or mist. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Get medical attention if you feel unwell. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). If skin irritation occurs: Get medical attention. If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam or carbon dioxide to extinguish.

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. Store locked up.

Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### 16.2. Miscellaneous Hazard Classes

**Canadian Carcinogenicity Hazard Class:** Not Applicable.

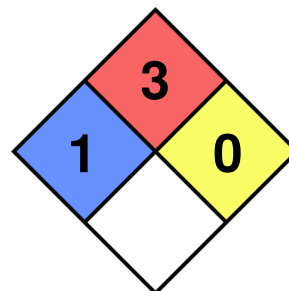
**Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (PHNOC):** Not Applicable.

**Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (HHNOC):** Not Applicable.

**Biohazardous Infectious Materials Hazard Class:** Not Applicable.

### 16.3. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Rating

**Health:** 1  
**Flammability:** 3  
**Reactivity:** 0  
**Special Hazard:**





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### 16.4. Document Revision

Last Revision Date: 8/16/2016

#### DISCLAIMER

When handled properly by qualified personnel, the product described herein does not present a significant health or safety hazard. Alteration of its characteristics by concentration, evaporation, addition of other substances, or other means may present hazards not specifically addressed herein and which must be evaluated by the user. The information furnished herein is believed to be accurate and represents the best data currently available to us. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made and REAGENTS, INC. assumes no legal responsibility or liability whatsoever resulting from its use.