

# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** Formic Acid, Reagent Grade
- **Product code:** S25331A
- **CAS Number:**  
64-18-6
- **Recommended use and restriction on use**
- **Recommended use:** Laboratory chemicals
- **Restrictions on use:** No relevant information available.
- **Details of the supplier of the Safety Data Sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
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Hanover, PA 17331  
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Toll-Free: (866)632-1291  
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6771 Silver Crest Road  
Nazareth, PA 18064  
(800) 955-1177
- **Emergency telephone number:**  
ChemTel Inc.  
(800)255-3924 (North America)  
+1 (813)248-0585 (International)

## 2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**  
Flam. Liq. 3 H226 Flammable liquid and vapor.  
Met. Corr.1 H290 May be corrosive to metals.  
Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
Acute Tox. 3 H331 Toxic if inhaled.  
Skin Corr. 1A H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
- **Label elements**
- **GHS label elements**  
The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).
- **Hazard pictograms:**  


GHS02 GHS05 GHS06
- **Signal word:** Danger
- **Hazard statements:**  
H226 Flammable liquid and vapor.

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H290 May be corrosive to metals.

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H331 Toxic if inhaled.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

· **Precautionary statements:**

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

P233 Keep container tightly closed.

P234 Keep only in original container.

P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.

P242 Use only non-sparking tools.

P243 Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

P260 Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray.

P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P301+P312 If swallowed: Call a poison center/doctor if you feel unwell.

P301+P330+P331 If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303+P361+P353 If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P310 Immediately call a poison center/doctor.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

P370+P378 In case of fire: Use for extinction: Alcohol resistant foam or water spray.

P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

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

P405 Store locked up.

P406 Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

· **Other hazards** There are no other hazards not otherwise classified that have been identified.

## 3 Composition/information on ingredients

· **Chemical characterization: Substances**

· **CAS No. Description**

64-18-6 formic acid

## 4 First-aid measures

· **Description of first aid measures**

· **General information:**

Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.

Take affected persons out into the fresh air.

· **After inhalation:**

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Supply fresh air.

Provide oxygen treatment if affected person has difficulty breathing.

If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a poison center/doctor.

In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.

• **After skin contact:**

Immediately rinse with water.

If skin irritation continues, consult a doctor.

Seek immediate help for blistering or open wounds.

• **After eye contact:**

Protect unharmed eye.

Remove contact lenses if worn.

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.

• **After swallowing:**

Rinse out mouth and then drink plenty of water.

Do not induce vomiting; immediately call for medical help.

• **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed:**

Breathing difficulty

Dizziness

Coughing

Nausea

Gastric or intestinal disorders when ingested.

Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.

Acidosis

Disorientation

• **Danger:**

May be harmful in contact with skin.

Danger of gastric perforation.

Danger of impaired breathing.

Causes serious eye damage.

Harmful if swallowed.

Toxic if inhaled.

• **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed:**

If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.

## 5 Fire-fighting measures

• **Extinguishing media**

• **Suitable extinguishing agents:**

Alcohol resistant foam

Gaseous extinguishing agents

Carbon dioxide

Water fog / haze

Water spray

Dry sand.

• **For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents:** Water stream.

• **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Flammable liquid and vapor.

Formation of toxic gases is possible during heating or in case of fire.

• **Advice for firefighters**

• **Protective equipment:**

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Wear self-contained respiratory protective device.

Wear fully protective suit.

- **Additional information:** Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so.

## 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Keep away from ignition sources.

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

For large spills, use respiratory protective device against the effects of fumes/dust/aerosol.

- **Environmental precautions**

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Inform respective authorities in case of seepage into water course or sewage system.

- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up**

Absorb with non-combustible liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders).

Send for recovery or disposal in suitable receptacles.

- **Reference to other sections**

See Section 7 for information on safe handling.

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

## 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling**

- **Precautions for safe handling:**

Prevent formation of aerosols.

Avoid splashes or spray in enclosed areas.

Use only in well ventilated areas.

- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:**

Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.

Flammable gas-air mixtures may be formed in empty containers/receptacles.

Flammable liquid and vapor.

- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:**

Unsuitable material for receptacle: aluminium.

Unsuitable material for receptacle: steel.

Store only in the original receptacle.

Avoid storage near extreme heat, ignition sources or open flame.

- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:**

Store away from foodstuffs.

Store away from oxidizing agents.

Do not store together with alkalis (caustic solutions).

Store away from metals.

- **Further information about storage conditions:** Keep containers tightly sealed.

- **Specific end use(s)** No relevant information available.

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## 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

### · Control parameters

#### · Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:

##### 64-18-6 formic acid

PEL (USA)	Long-term value: 9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 5 ppm
REL (USA)	Long-term value: 9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 5 ppm
TLV (USA)	Short-term value: 19 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 10 ppm Long-term value: 9.4 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 5 ppm
EL (Canada)	Short-term value: 10 ppm Long-term value: 5 ppm
EV (Canada)	Short-term value: 10 ppm Long-term value: 5 ppm
LMPE (Mexico)	Short-term value: 10 ppm Long-term value: 5 ppm

### · Exposure controls

#### · General protective and hygienic measures:

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Do not inhale gases / fumes / aerosols.

Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

#### · Engineering controls: Provide adequate ventilation.

#### · Breathing equipment:



Combined Organic Vapor and Particulate Respirator is recommended for use during all processing activities.

#### · Protection of hands:



Protective gloves

#### · Material of gloves

Fluorocarbon rubber (Viton)

Butyl rubber, BR

Laminated film gloves.

Neoprene gloves

Natural rubber, NR

Nitrile rubber, NBR

Sensibilization by the components in the glove materials is possible.

#### · Not suitable are gloves made of the following materials:

PVC gloves

PVA gloves

#### · Eye protection:

Contact lenses should not be worn.

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Safety glasses

Follow relevant national guidelines concerning the use of protective eyewear.

- **Body protection:** Protective work clothing
- **Limitation and supervision of exposure into the environment**  
No relevant information available.

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

### · Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### · Appearance:

**Form:** Liquid  
**Color:** Colorless

- **Odor:** Pungent
- **Odor threshold:** Not determined.

- **pH-value:** Not determined.
- **Melting point/Melting range:** -9 °C (15.8 °F)
- **Boiling point/Boiling range:** 107 °C (224.6 °F)

- **Flash point:** 49.5 °C (121.1 °F)

- **Flammability (solid, gaseous):** Not applicable.

- **Auto-ignition temperature:** 520 °C (968 °F)

- **Decomposition temperature:** Not determined.

- **Danger of explosion:** Product is not explosive. However, formation of explosive air/vapor mixtures are possible.

#### · Explosion limits

**Lower:** 14 Vol %  
**Upper:** 33 Vol %

- **Oxidizing properties:** Not determined.

- **Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F):** 43 hPa (32.3 mm Hg)

- **Density at 20 °C (68 °F):** 1.19 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (9.93 lbs/gal)

- **Relative density:** Not determined.

- **Vapor density:** Not determined.

- **Evaporation rate:** Not determined.

#### · Solubility in / Miscibility with

**Water:** Fully miscible.

- **Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):** Not determined.

#### · Viscosity

**Dynamic:** Not determined.  
**Kinematic:** Not determined.

- **Other information** No relevant information available.

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## 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity:** No relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability:** Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**  
No decomposition if used and stored according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions**  
Flammable liquid and vapor.  
Used empty containers may contain product gases which form explosive mixtures with air.  
Can form explosive mixtures in air if heated above flash point and/or when sprayed or atomized.
- **Conditions to avoid**  
Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.  
Store away from oxidizing agents.  
Excessive heat.
- **Incompatible materials** Strong oxidizing agents, bases, amines and aldehydes.
- **Hazardous decomposition products**  
Under fire conditions only:  
Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

## 11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
  - **Acute toxicity:**  
Toxic if inhaled.  
Harmful if swallowed.  
May be harmful in contact with skin.
  - **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**
- | 64-18-6 formic acid |         |                                       |
|---------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| Oral                | LD50    | 1100 mg/kg (mouse)<br>730 mg/kg (rat) |
| Dermal              | LD50    | >2000 mg/kg (rat)                     |
| Inhalative          | LC50/4h | 7.85 mg/l (rat)                       |
- **Primary irritant effect:**
  - **On the skin:** Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.
  - **On the eye:** Strong caustic effect.
  - **Sensitization:** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

### • IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer):

Substance is not listed.

### • NTP (National Toxicology Program):

Substance is not listed.

### • OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration):

Substance is not listed.

### • Probable route(s) of exposure:

Ingestion.  
Inhalation.

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Eye contact.

Skin contact.

- **Acute effects (acute toxicity, irritation and corrosivity):**

Harmful if swallowed.

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Toxic if inhaled.

May be harmful in contact with skin.

- **Repeated dose toxicity:** No relevant information available.

- **Germ cell mutagenicity:** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

- **Carcinogenicity:** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

- **Reproductive toxicity:** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

- **STOT-single exposure:** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

- **STOT-repeated exposure:** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

- **Aspiration hazard:** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

## 12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**

- **Aquatic toxicity** No relevant information available.

- **Persistence and degradability** No relevant information available.

- **Bioaccumulative potential:** No relevant information available.

- **Mobility in soil:** No relevant information available.

- **Additional ecological information**

- **General notes:**

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Must not reach bodies of water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralized.

- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

- **PBT:** Not applicable.

- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

- **Other adverse effects** No relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**

- **Recommendation:**

Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.

The user of this material has the responsibility to dispose of unused material, residues and containers in compliance with all relevant local, state and federal laws and regulations regarding treatment, storage and disposal for hazardous and nonhazardous wastes. Residual materials should be treated as hazardous.

- **Uncleaned packagings**

- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

- **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

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## 14 Transport information

<b>· UN-Number</b>	UN3412
<b>· DOT, ADR/RID/ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>	
<b>· UN proper shipping name</b>	FORMIC ACID
<b>· DOT, IMDG, IATA</b>	1779 AMEISENSÄURE
<b>· ADR/RID/ADN</b>	
<b>· Transport hazard class(es)</b>	
<b>· DOT</b>	
	
<b>· Class</b>	8
<b>· Label</b>	8
<b>· ADR/RID/ADN</b>	
	
<b>· Class</b>	8 (C3)
<b>· Label</b>	8
<b>· IMDG, IATA</b>	
	
<b>· Class</b>	8
<b>· Label</b>	8
<b>· Packing group</b>	II
<b>· DOT, ADR/RID/ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>	
<b>· Environmental hazards</b>	Not applicable.
<b>· Special precautions for user</b>	Warning: Corrosive substances
<b>· Danger code (Kemler):</b>	80
<b>· EMS Number:</b>	F-A,S-B
<b>· Segregation groups</b>	Acids, acids
<b>· Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code</b>	Not applicable.
<b>· Transport/Additional information:</b>	
<b>· DOT</b>	
<b>· Hazardous substance:</b>	5000 lbs, 2270 kg

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## 15 Regulatory information

- **Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**
- **United States (USA)**
- **SARA**

· **Section 302 (extremely hazardous substances):**

Substance is not listed.

· **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):**

Substance is not listed.

· **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

Substance is listed.

· **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act)**

Substance is listed.

· **Proposition 65 (California)**

· **Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity for females:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity for males:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

Substance is not listed.

· **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency):**

Substance is not listed.

· **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer):**

Substance is not listed.

· **Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL) (Substances not listed.):**

Substance is listed.

## 16 Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

ADR: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

PBT: Persistent, Bio-accumulable, Toxic

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

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OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health Administration  
Flam. Liq. 3: Flammable liquids – Category 3  
Met. Corr. 1: Corrosive to metals – Category 1  
Acute Tox. 4: Acute toxicity – Category 4  
Acute Tox. 3: Acute toxicity – Category 3  
Skin Corr. 1A: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1A

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