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SAFETY DATA SHEET METHYLENE BLUE

According to Regulation (EU) No 453/2010

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

1.1. Product identifier

Product name METHYLENE BLUE
Product No. PL.7027, PL.7028, PL.7029, PL.7027/25

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses Laboratory reagent.
Uses advised against No specific uses advised against are identified.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier Pro-Lab Diagnostics
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1.4. Emergency telephone number

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SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification (1999/45/EEC) Not classified.

Human health

See section 11 for additional information on health hazards.

2.2. Label elements

Risk Phrases

NC Not classified.

Safety Phrases

P13 Safety data sheet available for professional user on request.

2.3. Other hazards

This product does not contain any PBT or vPvB substances.

SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.2. Mixtures

ETHANOL	10-30%
CAS-No.: 64-17-5	EC No.: 200-578-6
Classification (EC 1272/2008) Flam. Liq. 2 - H225	Classification (67/548/EEC) F;R11

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METHANOL		< 1%
CAS-No.: 67-56-1	EC No.: 200-659-6	
Classification (EC 1272/2008)	Classification (67/548/EEC)	
Flam. Liq. 2 - H225	F;R11	
Acute Tox. 3 - H301	T;R23/24/25,R39/23/24/25	
Acute Tox. 3 - H311		
Acute Tox. 3 - H331		
STOT SE 1 - H370		

The Full Text for all R-Phrases and Hazard Statements are Displayed in Section 16.

SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1. Description of first aid measures

Inhalation

Move the exposed person to fresh air at once.

Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Immediately rinse mouth and provide fresh air. Get medical attention if any discomfort continues.

Skin contact

Wash off promptly and flush contaminated skin with water. Promptly remove clothing if soaked through and flush skin with water.

Eye contact

Immediately flush with plenty of water for up to 15 minutes. Remove any contact lenses and open eyes wide apart. Get medical attention if any discomfort continues.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Inhalation

Irritation of nose, throat and airway.

Ingestion

May cause discomfort if swallowed.

Skin contact

Prolonged skin contact may cause redness and irritation.

Eye contact

May irritate eyes.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

The severity of the symptoms described will vary dependant of the concentration and the length of exposure.

SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

5.1. Extinguishing media

Extinguishing media

Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.

Unsuitable extinguishing media

Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazardous combustion products

Thermal decomposition or combustion may liberate carbon oxides and other toxic gases or vapours.

Unusual Fire & Explosion Hazards

No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Special Fire Fighting Procedures

No specific fire fighting procedure given.

Protective equipment for fire-fighters

Self contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Do not discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Absorb in vermiculite, dry sand or earth and place into containers. Flush with plenty of water to clean spillage area. Containers with collected spillage must be properly labelled with correct contents and hazard symbol.

6.4. Reference to other sections

Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. See section 11 for additional information on health hazards. For waste disposal, see section 13.

SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Read and follow manufacturer's recommendations. Avoid spilling, skin and eye contact. Wash hands after handling.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in tightly closed original container in a dry and cool place.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

The identified uses for this product are detailed in Section 1.2.

SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1. Control parameters

Name	STD	TWA - 8 Hrs		STEL - 15 Min		Notes
ETHANOL	WEL	1000 ppm	1920 mg/m3			
METHANOL	WEL	200 ppm	266 mg/m3	250 ppm	333 mg/m3	Sk

WEL = Workplace Exposure Limit.

Sk = Can be absorbed through skin.

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METHANOL (CAS: 67-56-1)

DNEL				
Workers	Dermal	Short Term	Systemic Effects	40 mg/kg/day
Workers	Inhalation.	Short Term	Systemic Effects	260 mg/m ³
Workers	Inhalation.	Short Term	Local Effects	260 mg/m ³
Workers	Dermal	Long Term	Systemic Effects	40 mg/kg/day
Workers	Inhalation.	Long Term	Local Effects	260 mg/m ³
Consumer	Dermal	Short Term	Systemic Effects	8 mg/kg/day
Consumer	Inhalation.	Short Term	Local Effects	50 mg/m ³
Workers	Oral	Long Term	Systemic Effects	8 mg/kg/day
Workers	Inhalation.	Long Term	Local Effects	50 mg/m ³
PNEC				
Freshwater	154	mg/l		
Marinewater	15.4	mg/l		
Intermittent release	1540	mg/l		
STP	100	mg/l		
Sediment (Freshwater)	570.4			
Soil	23.5	mg/kg		

ETHANOL (CAS: 64-17-5)

DNEL				
Workers	Inhalation.	Short Term	Local Effects	1900 mg/m ³
Workers	Dermal	Long Term	Systemic Effects	343 mg/kg/day
Workers	Inhalation.	Long Term	Systemic Effects	950 mg/m ³
Consumer	Inhalation.	Short Term	Local Effects	950 mg/m ³
Consumer	Dermal	Long Term	Systemic Effects	206 mg/kg/day
Consumer	Inhalation.	Long Term	Systemic Effects	114 mg/m ³
Consumer	Oral	Long Term	Systemic Effects	87 mg/kg/day
PNEC				
Freshwater	0.96	mg/l		
Marinewater	0.79	mg/l		
Intermittent release	2.75	mg/l		
STP	580	mg/l		
Sediment (Freshwater)	3.6	mg/kg		
Soil	0.63	mg/kg		

8.2. Exposure controls

Respiratory equipment

If ventilation is insufficient, suitable respiratory protection must be provided. Seek advice from supervisor on the companies' respiratory protection standards.

Hand protection

For prolonged or repeated skin contact use suitable protective gloves. The most suitable glove must be chosen in consultation with the gloves supplier, who can inform about the breakthrough time of the glove material.

Eye protection

Wear approved, tight fitting safety glasses where splashing is probable.

Hygiene measures

Wash hands at the end of each work shift and before eating, smoking and using the toilet. When using do not eat, drink or smoke.

SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Liquid
Colour	Deep blue.
Odour	Odour of alcohol.
Solubility	Soluble in water.
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	
Not determined.	
Melting point (°C)	
Not determined.	
Relative density	
Not determined.	
Bulk Density	
Not determined.	
Vapour density (air=1)	
Not determined.	

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Vapour pressure

Not determined.

Evaporation rate

Not determined.

Evaporation Factor

Not determined.

pH-Value, Conc. Solution

Not determined.

pH-Value, Diluted Solution

Not determined.

Viscosity

Not determined.

Solubility Value (G/100G H₂O@20°C)

Not determined.

Decomposition temperature (°C)

Not determined.

Odour Threshold, Lower

Not determined.

Odour Threshold, Upper

Not determined.

Flash point (°C)

Not determined.

Auto Ignition Temperature (°C)

Not determined.

Flammability Limit - Lower(%)

Not determined.

Flammability Limit - Upper(%)

Not determined.

Partition Coefficient

(N-Octanol/Water)

Not determined.

Explosive properties

Not determined.

Oxidising properties

Not determined.

9.2. Other information

Not determined.

SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1. Reactivity

There are no known reactivity hazards associated with this product.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal temperature conditions and recommended use.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous Polymerisation

Will not polymerise.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid heat, flames and other sources of ignition.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Materials To Avoid

No incompatible groups noted.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

None at ambient temperatures.

SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Skin Corosion/Irritation:

Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Serious eye damage/irritation:

Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation:

Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

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.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure:

Not classified as a specific target organ toxicant after repeated exposure.

Toxicological information on ingredients.

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METHANOL (CAS: 67-56-1)

Acute toxicity:

Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

Skin Corrosion/Irritation:

Dose

20 hr Rabbit

Erythema/Eschar score

No erythema (0).

Oedema score

No oedema (0).

REACH dossier information

Not irritating. Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Serious eye damage/irritation:

Not Irritating. Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation:

Skin sensitisation

Guinea pig maximization test (GPMT): Guinea Pig

REACH dossier information

Not Sensitising. Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Germ cell mutagenicity:

Genotoxicity - In Vitro

Gene Mutation:

REACH dossier information

Negative.

Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Carcinogenicity:

Carcinogenicity

NOAEC \geq 1.3 mg/l Inhalation. Rat

REACH dossier information

This substance has no evidence of carcinogenic properties.

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Acute toxicity:

Acute Toxicity (Oral LD50)

10470 mg/kg Rat

REACH dossier information

Acute Toxicity (Inhalation LC50)

116.9 mg/l (vapours) Rat 4 hours

REACH dossier information

Skin Corrosion/Irritation:

Dose

0.2 mL 24 day Rabbit

Primary dermal irritation index (PDI)

0

REACH dossier information

Not irritating. Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Germ cell mutagenicity:

Genotoxicity - In Vitro

Gene Mutation:

REACH dossier information

Negative.

Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Genotoxicity - In Vivo

Chromosome aberration:

REACH dossier information

Inconclusive.

Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Reproductive Toxicity:

Reproductive Toxicity - Fertility

Two-generation study: NOAEL 15 % in water Oral Mouse P

REACH dossier information

Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Reproductive Toxicity - Development

Developmental toxicity: LOAEL 8200 mg/kg/day Oral Rat

REACH dossier information

Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure:

STOT - Repeated exposure

NOAEL 10 ml/kg of 16.25% ethanol Oral Rat

REACH dossier information

Not classified as a specific target organ toxicant after repeated exposure.

SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1. Toxicity

Acute Fish Toxicity

Not considered toxic to fish.

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Ecological information on ingredients.

96 hours 15400 mg/l *Lepomis macrochirus* (Bluegill)

REACH dossier information

Acute Toxicity - Aquatic Invertebrates

EC50 48 hours > 10000 mg/l *Daphnia magna*

REACH dossier information

Acute Toxicity - Aquatic Plants

EC50 96 hours ~ 22000 mg/l Freshwater algae

REACH dossier information

Acute Toxicity - Microorganisms

IC50 3 hours > 1000 mg/l Activated sludge

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Acute Toxicity - Fish

LC50 96 hours 15300 mg/l *Pimephales promelas* (Fat-head Minnow)

REACH dossier information

Acute Toxicity - Aquatic Invertebrates

LC50 48 hours 5012 mg/l *Ceriodaphnia dubia*

REACH dossier information

Acute Toxicity - Aquatic Plants

EC50 96 hours 675 mg/l *Chlorella vulgaris*

REACH dossier information

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Degradability

There are no data on the degradability of this product.

Ecological information on ingredients.

Phototransformation

Air. DT50 17.2 days

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Biodegradation

Water Degradation (71.5%) 5 days

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Water Degradation (95%) 20 days

REACH dossier information

The substance is readily biodegradable.

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Biodegradation

Water Degradation (95%) 15 days

Water Degradation (74%) 10 days

REACH dossier information

The substance is readily biodegradable.

Chemical Oxygen Demand

1.99 g O₂/g substance

REACH dossier information

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulative potential

No data available on bioaccumulation.

Partition coefficient

Not determined.

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Ecological information on ingredients.

Partition coefficient
log Pow -0.77
REACH dossier information

Partition coefficient
log Pow -0.35 @ 24 °C

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12.4. Mobility in soil

Mobility:

The product is soluble in water.

Ecological information on ingredients.

Mobility:
No mobility data available for substance.

Surface tension
24.5 mN/m @ 20 °C
REACH dossier information

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12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Not determined.

12.6. Other adverse effects

Not determined.

SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Dispose of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements. Recover and reclaim or recycle, if practical.

SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

General The product is not covered by international regulation on the transport of dangerous goods (IMDG, IATA, ADR/RID).

14.1. UN number

Not applicable.

14.2. UN proper shipping name

Not applicable.

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

Transport Labels

No transport warning sign required.

14.4. Packing group

Not applicable.

14.5. Environmental hazards

Environmentally Hazardous Substance/Marine Pollutant
No.

14.6. Special precautions for user

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Not applicable.

14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable.

SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

Statutory Instruments

The Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations 2009 (S.I 2009 No. 716).

Approved Code Of Practice

Classification and Labelling of Substances and Preparations Dangerous for Supply.

Guidance Notes

Workplace Exposure Limits EH40.

EU Legislation

Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 with amendments.

15.2. Chemical Safety Assessment

No chemical safety assessment has been carried out.

SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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Risk Phrases In Full

R11 Highly flammable

NC Not classified.

R23/24/25 Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

R39/23/24/25 Toxic: danger of very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

Hazard Statements In Full

H370 Causes damage to organs <<Organs>>.

H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour.

H331 Toxic if inhaled.

H301 Toxic if swallowed.

H311 Toxic in contact with skin.

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