

# MSDS for Phenol Solution, 89% w/v Catalog #'s SP-PH125, SP-P1070 and 7181A-89

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## **Section I - Product Identification**

A solution of water in phenol.

#### Section II - Hazards Identification

*Overview:* Phenol is rapidly absorbed through intact skin and is highly toxic by ingestion, inhalation or contact. Gastrointestinal effects include: nausea, pain, bloody vomitus and diarrhea. Corrosive to skin and mucous membranes.

## **Safety Ratings**

Health: Extremely hazardous Flammability: Slight Reactivity: Slight Recommended safety equipment: safety goggles, lab coat and proper gloves

Storage: Room Temperature.

NFPA Ratings

Health = 3 Flammability = 2 Reactivity = 1



## **Potential Health Effects**

Phenol is toxic and corrosive. Even short exposure to skin or eyes may produce irreversible damage. Phenol is particularly toxic to the central nervous system, kidneys and liver

*Inhalation*: Phenol is absorbed through skin and mucous membranes and will produce irritation as well as the same effects as ingestion.

Ingestion: Ingestion can produce CNS disturbance, dizziness, headache, stupor, coma and death. Phenol is toxic.

Skin contact: Contact with phenol will cause chemical burns that may be initially painless and are slow to heal.

Eye contact: Will cause eye damage.

Chronic Exposure: Will cause symptoms similar to acute exposure.

Aggravation of preexisting conditions: May aggravate preexisting liver, kidney or pulmonary conditions

## Section III - Composition/Information on Components

Ingredients	CAS#	OSHA Pel	ACGIH TLV	Other Limits	%
Phenol	108-95-2	5 ppm (Skin) TWA	5 ppm (Skin) TWA		89%

## **Section IV - First Aid Measures**

*Inhalation:* Remove from source of exposure and get medical attention immediately. Be prepared to treat for any breathing difficulty.

*Ingestion:* Never give anything by mouth to a unconscious person. If the victim is conscious administer about 1 oz of castor oil or vegetable oil. Get immediate medical attention even if symptoms improve.

Skin Contact: In case of skin contact, remove contaminated clothing and flush with water. Wash affected area with soap and water. Get medical advice.

Eye Contact: In case of eye contact, flush with water for at least 15 minutes and get immediate medical attention.

## **Section V - Fire Fighting Measures**

Flash point: 79°C (174°F)

Flammable Limits: LEL 1.3, UEL 8.6

Explosion: Not normally an explosion hazard.

Fire Extinguishing Media: Alcohol type foam, carbon dioxide or dry chemical.

Special information: Pyrolysis will release phenol and toxic oxides such as carbon monoxide.

#### Section VI - Accidental Release Measures

Remove all sources of ignition, absorb with a suitable absorbent (such as paper towels) and dispose.

## Section VII - Handling and Storage

Store in a closed container at controlled room temperature.

## Section VIII - Exposure Control/Personal Protection

Airborne Exposure Limits: See section III.

*Ventilation System:* Local exhaust, e.g. chemical fume hood, is recommended. When required, Refer to the ACGIH document, "Industrial Ventilation, a Manual of Recommended Practices" for details about ventilation.

*Personal Respirator:* Usually not required. In case of emergency, or when exposure levels are unknown, use a positive pressure, full face piece, air supplied respirator.

Skin protection: Protective clothing such as lab coats, gloves and lab aprons are recommended.

Eye Protection: Laboratory safety goggles or face shields are recommended. An eye wash station should be readily available.

## Section IX - Physical and Chemical Properties

Boiling Point: 182°C Density: 1.06 g/ml

Vapor pressure (mm Hg): 0.35 mm Hg @ 20°C Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1): < 0.01
Vapor Density (air = 1): 3.2 Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1): < 0.01
Solubility: Phenol is soluble in water to about 6%.

Appearance and Odor: A clear solution with the characteristic odor of phenol.

## Section X - Stability and Reactivity

Stability: Freezes at very low temperature.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Nothing unusual.

Hazardous polymerization: Will not occur.

Incompatibilities: Oxidixers.

Conditions to avoid: heat, flame and sources of ignition.

## Section XI - Toxicological Information

Phenol is toxic by absorption, ingestion and inhalation.

Cancer lists

Ingredient Known Carcinogenicity? NTP? Anticipated? IARC Category

Phenol no no no 3

## **Section XII - Ecological Information**

Environmental Fate: Biodegradable

Environmental Toxicity: Unknown, but expected to be toxic to aquatic organisms.

## **Section XIII - Disposal Considerations**

Incineration is the preferred disposal method. Local governments often restrict the amount of phenol that may be flushed down drain. Insure compliance with all government regulations.

## **Section XIV - Transportation Information**

DOT Shipping name: Phenol solution Hazard Class: 6.1 Packaging Group II
DOT Hazard Label: Poison DOT Identification Number: UN2821
Note: UPS will not accept phenol unless packaged in special Dot exempt packaging.

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## **Chemical Inventory Status**

IngredientTSCAECPhenolYesYes

**Section XV - Regulatory Information** 

## Federal, State and International Regulations

**SARA 302 SARA 313 RCRA TSCA** Category Ca. Prop 65 Ingredient RQ List 261.33 8(D) TPQ Phenol 1000 500 U188 Yes No No No

Chemical Weapons Convention: No TSCA 12(b): No CDTA: Yes

SARA 311/312: Acute: Yes, Chronic: Yes, Flammable: No

## **Section XVI - Other Information**

This information is believed to be correct but is not waranteed as such, nor does it purport to be all inclusive.

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