

SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Identification

Product form	: Substance
Substance name	: Bis(chloromethyl)ether
CAS No	: 542-88-1
Product code	: 2107-5-04
Formula	: C ₂ H ₄ Cl ₂ O
Synonyms	: 1,1'-Dichlorodimethyl ether; Chloro(chloromethoxy)methane
Other means of identification	: MFCD00152275

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

Use of the substance/mixture	: Laboratory chemicals Manufacture of substances Scientific research and development
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1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number	: (844) 523-4086 (3E Company - Account 10069)
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SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification (GHS-US)

Flam. Liq. 2	H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapour
Acute Tox. 3 (Oral)	H301 - Toxic if swallowed
Acute Tox. 3 (Dermal)	H311 - Toxic in contact with skin
Acute Tox. 2 (Inhalation:vapour)	H330 - Fatal if inhaled
Skin Irrit. 2	H315 - Causes skin irritation
Eye Irrit. 2A	H319 - Causes serious eye irritation
Carc. 1A	H350 - May cause cancer
STOT SE 3	H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

2.2. Label elements

GHS-US labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS-US)



Signal word (GHS-US)

: Danger

Hazard statements (GHS-US)

: H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor
H301+H311 - Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin
H315 - Causes skin irritation
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation
H330 - Fatal if inhaled
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation
H350 - May cause cancer

Precautionary statements (GHS-US)

: P201 - Obtain special instructions before use
P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
P210 - Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking
P233 - Keep container tightly closed
P240 - Ground/bond container and receiving equipment
P241 - Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment
P242 - Use only non-sparking tools

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P243 - Take precautionary measures against static discharge
P260 - Do not breathe fumes, mist, spray, vapors
P264 - Wash skin 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
P284 - In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection
P301+P310 - If swallowed: Immediately call a poison center/doctor/...
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/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
P308+P313 - If exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention
P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician
P320 - Specific treatment is urgent (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label)
P321 - Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label)
P330 - Rinse mouth
P332+P313 - If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention
P337+P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention
P361 - Take off immediately all contaminated clothing
P362+P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse
P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse
P370+P378 - In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish
P403+P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
P403+P235 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool
P405 - Store locked up
P501 - Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

2.3. Other hazards

No additional information available

2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS US)

Not applicable

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substance

Substance type : Mono-constituent

Name	Product identifier	%	Classification (GHS-US)
Bis(chloromethyl)ether (Main constituent)	(CAS No) 542-88-1	<= 100	Flam. Liq. 2, H225 Acute Tox. 3 (Oral), H301 Acute Tox. 3 (Dermal), H311 Acute Tox. 2 (Inhalation:vapour), H330 Skin Irrit. 2, H315 Eye Irrit. 2A, H319 Carc. 1A, H350 STOT SE 3, H335

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

3.2. Mixture

Not applicable

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures general : In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible). Move the affected personnel away from the contaminated area.

First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

First-aid measures after skin contact : Wash with plenty of soap and water. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

First-aid measures after eye contact : Immediately flush eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

First-aid measures after ingestion : Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth out with water. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

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

Symptoms/injuries : The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11.

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

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Alcohol resistant foam. Carbon dioxide. Dry powder. Water spray. Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Fire hazard : Thermal decomposition generates: Carbon oxides. Hydrogen chloride.
Explosion hazard : Risk of explosion if heated under confinement. Use water spray or fog for cooling exposed containers. May form flammable/explosive vapor-air mixture.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Firefighting instructions : In case of fire: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion.
Protection during firefighting : Wear gas tight chemically protective clothing in combination with self contained breathing apparatus. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

General measures : Evacuate unnecessary personnel. Ensure adequate air ventilation. Do not breathe gas, fumes, vapor or spray.

6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

Emergency procedures : Only qualified personnel equipped with suitable protective equipment may intervene.

6.1.2. For emergency responders

Protective equipment : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".
Emergency procedures : Gas/vapor heavier than air. May accumulate in confined spaces, particularly at or below ground level. Consider the risk of potentially explosive atmospheres. Eliminate every possible source of ignition.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment. Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

For containment : Stop leak if safe to do so. Dike for recovery or absorb with appropriate material.
Methods for cleaning up : Take up large spills with pump or vacuum and finish with dry chemical absorbent. Use explosion-proof equipment. Take up small spills with dry chemical absorbent. Sweep or shovel spills into appropriate container for disposal. Ventilate area.
Other information : For disposal of solid materials or residues refer to section 13 : "Disposal considerations".

6.4. Reference to other sections

No additional information available

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Additional hazards when processed : Handle empty containers with care because residual vapors are flammable.
Precautions for safe handling : Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Ensure good ventilation of the work station. Do not breathe fumes, mist, spray, vapors. Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Keep away from ignition sources (including static discharges). Proper grounding procedures to avoid static electricity should be followed. Use only non-sparking tools.
Hygiene measures : Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety procedures. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Technical measures : Comply with applicable regulations.
Storage conditions : Keep container closed when not in use. Keep away from ignition sources.
Incompatible materials : Refer to Section 10 on Incompatible Materials.
Storage temperature : 2 - 8 °C Use explosion proof refrigerator
Storage area : Store in dry, well-ventilated area.

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SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

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ACGIH	ACGIH TWA (ppm)	0.001 ppm
ACGIH	Remark (ACGIH)	Lung cancer

8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls	: Ensure good ventilation of the work station. Emergency eye wash fountains and safety showers should be available in the immediate vicinity of any potential exposure.
Hand protection	: Protective gloves. 29 CFR 1910.138: Hand Protection.
Eye protection	: Chemical goggles or safety glasses. Face shield. 29 CFR 1910.133: Eye and Face Protection.
Skin and body protection	: Wear suitable protective clothing.
Respiratory protection	: In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection. 29 CFR 1910.134: Respiratory Protection.
Other information	: Safety shoes. 29 CFR 1910.136: Foot Protection.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	: Liquid
Appearance	: Colorless liquid.
Color	: Colorless
Odor	: suffocating
Odor threshold	: No data available
pH	: No data available
Melting point	: -41.5 °C
Freezing point	: No data available
Boiling point	: 106 °C
Flash point	: 38 °C
Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1)	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: No data available
Explosion limits	: No data available
Explosive properties	: No data available
Oxidizing properties	: No data available
Vapor pressure	: 30 mm Hg (@ 22 °C)
Relative density	: No data available
Relative vapor density at 20 °C	: No data available
Specific gravity / density	: 1.33 g/ml (@ 20 °C)
Molecular mass	: 114.96 g/mol
Solubility	: No data available
Log Pow	: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	: No data available
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Viscosity	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available

9.2. Other information

No additional information available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

No additional information available

10.2. Chemical stability

The product is stable at normal handling and storage conditions.

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10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No additional information available

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Keep away from heat, sparks and flame.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong acids. Strong oxidizing agents.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced. Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire, see Section 5.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity : Oral: Toxic if swallowed. Dermal: Toxic in contact with skin. Inhalation:vapour: Fatal if inhaled.

Bis(chloromethyl)ether (542-88-1)	
LD50 oral rat	210 µl/kg
LC50 inhalation rat (ppm)	7 ppm (Exposure time: 7 h)
ATE US (oral)	100.000 mg/kg body weight
ATE US (dermal)	300.000 mg/kg body weight
ATE US (vapors)	0.500 mg/l/4h

Skin corrosion/irritation : Causes skin irritation.
Serious eye damage/irritation : Causes serious eye irritation.
Respiratory or skin sensitization : Not classified
Germ cell mutagenicity : Not classified
Carcinogenicity : May cause cancer.

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IARC group	1 - Carcinogenic to humans
National Toxicology Program (NTP) Status	2 - Known Human Carcinogens
In OSHA Hazard Communication Carcinogen list	Yes
In OSHA Specifically Regulated Carcinogen list	Yes

Reproductive toxicity : Not classified
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) : May cause respiratory irritation.
Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) : Not classified
Aspiration hazard : Not classified

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

No additional information available

12.2. Persistence and degradability

No additional information available

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No additional information available

12.4. Mobility in soil

No additional information available

12.5. Other adverse effects

No additional information available

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SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

- Regional legislation (waste) : U.S. - RCRA (Resource Conservation & Recovery Act) - Basis for Listing - Appendix VII. U.S. - RCRA (Resource Conservation & Recovery Act) - Hazardous Constituents - Appendix VIII to 40 CFR 261. U.S. - RCRA (Resource Conservation & Recovery Act) - P Series Wastes - Acutely Toxic Wastes.
- Waste treatment methods : Remove to an authorized incinerator equipped with an afterburner and a flue gas scrubber.
- Waste disposal recommendations : Dispose of contents/container in accordance with licensed collector's sorting instructions.
- Additional information : Recycle the material as far as possible.

SECTION 14: Transport information

Department of Transportation (DOT)

In accordance with DOT

- Transport document description : UN2249 Dichlorodimethyl ether, symmetrical, 6.1, I
- UN-No.(DOT) : UN2249
- Proper Shipping Name (DOT) : Dichlorodimethyl ether, symmetrical
- Transport hazard class(es) (DOT) : 6.1 - Class 6.1 - Poisonous materials 49 CFR 173.132
- Hazard labels (DOT) : 6.1 - Poison
3 - Flammable liquid



- Packing group (DOT) : I - Great Danger
- DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 201
- DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 243
- DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx) : None
- DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail (49 CFR 173.27) : Forbidden
- DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 CFR 175.75) : Forbidden
- DOT Vessel Stowage Other : 40 - Stow "clear of living quarters"
- Emergency Response Guide (ERG) Number : 131
- Other information : No supplementary information available.

TDG

No additional information available

Transport by sea

- UN-No. (IMDG) : 2249
- Proper Shipping Name (IMDG) : DICHLORODIMETHYL ETHER, SYMMETRICAL
- Class (IMDG) : 6.1 - Toxic substances
- Packing group (IMDG) : I - substances presenting high danger

Air transport

- UN-No. (IATA) : 2249
- Proper Shipping Name (IATA) : Dichlorodimethyl ether, symmetrical
- Class (IATA) : 6.1 - Toxic Substances

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SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. US Federal regulations

Bis(chloromethyl)ether (542-88-1)

Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory

Listed on the United States SARA Section 302

Subject to reporting requirements of United States SARA Section 313

CERCLA RQ	10 lb
SARA Section 302 Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ)	100 lb
SARA Section 313 - Emission Reporting	0.1 %

All components of this product are listed, or excluded from listing, on the United States Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory

Chemical(s) subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 or Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 and 40 CFR Part 372.

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15.2. International regulations

CANADA

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Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

WHMIS Classification	Class B Division 2 - Flammable Liquid Class D Division 1 Subdivision A - Very toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects Class D Division 2 Subdivision A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects
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EU-Regulations

No additional information available

National regulations

Bis(chloromethyl)ether (542-88-1)

Listed on IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

Listed on IECSC (Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China)

Listed on the Korean ECL (Existing Chemicals List)

Listed on NZIoC (New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals)

Listed on PICCS (Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances)

Listed as carcinogen on NTP (National Toxicology Program)

Listed on the Canadian IDL (Ingredient Disclosure List)

Listed on INSQ (Mexican national Inventory of Chemical Substances)

Listed on the TCSI (Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory)

15.3. US State regulations

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U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	Yes
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	No
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	No
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	No
No significance risk level (NSRL)	0.02 µg/day
State or local regulations	U.S. - Massachusetts - Right To Know List U.S. - New Jersey - Right to Know Hazardous Substance List U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) - Environmental Hazard List U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) - Special Hazardous Substances U.S. - Pennsylvania - RTK (Right to Know) List

California Proposition 65 - This product contains, or may contain, trace quantities of a substance(s) known to the state of California to cause cancer and/or reproductive toxicity

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Full text of H-phrases:

Acute Tox. 2 (Inhalation:vapour)	Acute toxicity (inhalation:vapour) Category 2
Acute Tox. 3 (Dermal)	Acute toxicity (dermal) Category 3
Acute Tox. 3 (Oral)	Acute toxicity (oral) Category 3
Carc. 1A	Carcinogenicity Category 1A
Eye Irrit. 2A	Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 2A
Flam. Liq. 2	Flammable liquids Category 2
Skin Irrit. 2	Skin corrosion/irritation Category 2
STOT SE 3	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) Category 3
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H350	May cause cancer

NFPA health hazard

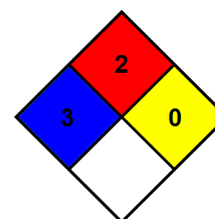
: 3 - Short exposure could cause serious temporary or residual injury even though prompt medical attention was given.

NFPA fire hazard

: 2 - Must be moderately heated or exposed to relatively high temperature before ignition can occur.

NFPA reactivity

: 0 - Normally stable, even under fire exposure conditions, and are not reactive with water.



HMIS III Rating

Health : 3 Serious Hazard - Major injury likely unless prompt action is taken and medical treatment is given

Flammability : 2 Moderate Hazard - Materials which must be moderately heated or exposed to high ambient temperatures before ignition will occur. Includes liquids having a flash point at or above 100 F but below 200 F. (Classes II & IIIA)

Physical : 0 Minimal Hazard - Materials that are normally stable, even under fire conditions, and will NOT react with water, polymerize, decompose, condense, or self-react. Non-Explosives.

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