

# Ethyl chloroformate

## Safety Data Sheet 2123502

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### SECTION 1: Identification

#### 1.1. Identification

Product form	: Substance
Substance name	: Ethyl chloroformate
CAS No	: 541-41-3
Product code	: 2123-5-02
Formula	: C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ClO <sub>2</sub>
Synonyms	: Chloroformic acid ethyl ester
Other means of identification	: MFCD00000644

#### 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)

### 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. 1 (Inhalation)	H330 - Fatal if inhaled
Skin Corr. 1B	H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
Eye Dam. 1	H318 - Causes serious eye damage
STOT SE 3	H335 - May cause respiratory irritation
Aquatic Acute 1	H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life

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) :

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Precautionary statements (GHS-US) :

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  
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

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P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
P273 - Avoid release to the environment  
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/...  
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 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  
P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse  
P370+P378 - In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish  
P391 - Collect spillage  
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

Other hazards not contributing to the classification : Lachrymator.

### 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)
Ethyl chloroformate (Main constituent)	(CAS No) 541-41-3	<= 100	Flam. Liq. 2, H225 Acute Tox. 3 (Oral), H301 Acute Tox. 1 (Inhalation), H330 Skin Corr. 1B, H314 Eye Dam. 1, H318 STOT SE 3, H335 Aquatic Acute 1, H400

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. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. 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.

Symptoms/injuries after inhalation : Material is destructive to tissue of the mucuous membranes and upper respiratory tract. Cough, shortness of breath, headache, nausea.

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

Treat symptomatically.

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### 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.  
Reactivity : Reacts with water, generates gases or heat. Reacts on exposure to water with some metals to release highly explosive/flammable hydrogen gas.

#### 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. Moisture sensitive. Keep contents under inert gas.  
Incompatible materials : Refer to Section 10 on Incompatible Materials.  
Storage area : Store in dry, cool, well-ventilated area.

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### SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

#### 8.1. Control parameters

No additional information available

#### 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
Color	: No data available
Odor	: No data available
Odor threshold	: No data available
pH	: No data available
Melting point	: -81 °C
Freezing point	: No data available
Boiling point	: 93 °C
Flash point	: 15.6 °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	: 3.42 psig (@ 20 °C)
Relative density	: No data available
Relative vapor density at 20 °C	: No data available
Specific gravity / density	: 1.135 g/ml (@ 25 °C)
Molecular mass	: 108.52 g/mol
Solubility	: No data available
Log Pow	: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	: 500 °C
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Viscosity	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available

#### 9.2. Other information

Refractive index	: 1.395 (@ 20 °C)
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### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

#### 10.1. Reactivity

Reacts with water, generates gases or heat. Reacts on exposure to water with some metals to release highly explosive/flammable hydrogen gas.

#### 10.2. Chemical stability

The product is stable at normal handling and storage conditions.

#### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No additional information available

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### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Keep away from heat, sparks and flame.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Carbon black. Alcohols. Amines. Bases. Iron. Metals. 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. Inhalation: Fatal if inhaled.

Ethyl chloroformate (541-41-3)	
LD50 oral rat	270 mg/kg
LC50 inhalation rat (mg/l)	840 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Exposure time: 1 h)
ATE US (oral)	270.000 mg/kg body weight

Skin corrosion/irritation	: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Serious eye damage/irritation	: Causes serious eye damage.
Respiratory or skin sensitization	: Not classified
Germ cell mutagenicity	: Not classified
Carcinogenicity	: Not classified
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
Symptoms/injuries after inhalation	: Material is destructive to tissue of the mucuous membranes and upper respiratory tract. Cough, shortness of breath, headache, nausea.

## 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

## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

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 : UN1182 Ethyl chloroformate, 6.1, I

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UN-No.(DOT) : UN1182  
Proper Shipping Name (DOT) : Ethyl chloroformate  
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  
8 - Corrosive



Packing group (DOT) : I - Great Danger  
Dangerous for the environment : Yes  
Marine pollutant : Yes



DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 227  
DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 244  
DOT Special Provisions (49 CFR 172.102) : 2 - This material is poisonous by inhalation (see 171.8 of this subchapter) in Hazard Zone B (see 173.116(a) or 173.133(a) of this subchapter), and must be described as an inhalation hazard under the provisions of this subchapter.  
B9 - Bottom outlets are not authorized.  
B14 - Each bulk packaging, except a tank car or a multi-unit-tank car tank, must be insulated with an insulating material so that the overall thermal conductance at 15.5 C (60 F) is no more than 1.5333 kilojoules per hour per square meter per degree Celsius (0.075 Btu per hour per square foot per degree Fahrenheit) temperature differential. Insulating materials must not promote corrosion to steel when wet.  
B32 - MC 312, MC 330, MC 331, DOT 412 cargo tanks and DOT 51 portable tanks must be made of stainless steel, except that steel other than stainless steel may be used in accordance with the provisions of 173.24b(b) of this subchapter. Thickness of stainless steel for tank shell and heads for cargo tanks and portable tanks must be the greater of 6.35 mm (0.250 inch) or the thickness required for a tank with a design pressure at least equal to 1.3 times the vapor pressure of the lading at 46 C (115 F). In addition, MC 312 and DOT 412 cargo tank motor vehicles must: a. Be ASME Code (U) stamped for 100% radiography of all pressure-retaining welds; b. Have accident damage protection which conforms with 178.3458 of this subchapter; c. Have a MAWP or design pressure of at least 87 psig; and d. Have a bolted man way cover.  
N34 - Aluminum construction materials are not authorized for any part of a packaging which is normally in contact with the hazardous material.  
T20 - 10 8 mm Prohibited 178.275(g)(3).  
TP2 - a. The maximum degree of filling must not exceed the degree of filling determined by the following: (image) Where:  $t_r$  is the maximum mean bulk temperature during transport,  $t_f$  is the temperature in degrees celsius of the liquid during filling, and  $a$  is the mean coefficient of cubical expansion of the liquid between the mean temperature of the liquid during filling ( $t_f$ ) and the maximum mean bulk temperature during transportation ( $t_r$ ) both in degrees celsius. b. For liquids transported under ambient conditions may be calculated using the formula: (image) Where:  $d_{15}$  and  $d_{50}$  are the densities (in units of mass per unit volume) of the liquid at 15 C (59 F) and 50 C (122 F), respectively.  
TP13 - Self-contained breathing apparatus must be provided when this hazardous material is transported by sea.  
TP38 - Each portable tank must be insulated with an insulating material so that the overall thermal conductance at 15.5 C (60 F) is no more than 1.5333 kilojoules per hour per square meter per degree Celsius (0.075 Btu per hour per square foot per degree Fahrenheit) temperature differential. Insulating materials may not promote corrosion to steel when wet.  
TP45 - Each portable tank must be made of stainless steel, except that steel other than stainless steel may be used in accordance with the provisions of 173.24b(b) of this subchapter. Thickness of stainless steel for portable tank shells and heads must be the greater of 6.35 mm (0.250 inch) or the thickness required for a portable tank with a design pressure at least equal to 1.3 times the vapor pressure of the hazardous material at 46 C (115 F).  
DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx) : None  
DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail (49 CFR 173.27) : Forbidden

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DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 CFR 175.75)	: Forbidden
DOT Vessel Stowage Location	: D - The material must be stowed "on deck only" on a cargo vessel and on a passenger vessel carrying a number of passengers limited to not more than the larger of 25 passengers or one passenger per each 3 m of overall vessel length, but the material is prohibited on passenger vessels in which the limiting number of passengers is exceeded.
DOT Vessel Stowage Other	: 21 - Segregation same as for flammable liquids, 40 - Stow "clear of living quarters", 100 - Stow "away from" flammable solids
Emergency Response Guide (ERG) Number	: 155
Other information	: No supplementary information available.

### TDG

No additional information available

### Transport by sea

UN-No. (IMDG)	: 1182
Proper Shipping Name (IMDG)	: ETHYL CHLOROFORMATE
Class (IMDG)	: 6.1 - Toxic substances
Packing group (IMDG)	: I - substances presenting high danger

### Air transport

UN-No. (IATA)	: 1182
Proper Shipping Name (IATA)	: Ethyl chloroformate
Class (IATA)	: 6.1 - Toxic Substances

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1. US Federal regulations

#### Ethyl chloroformate (541-41-3)

Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory  
Subject to reporting requirements of United States SARA Section 313

SARA Section 313 - Emission Reporting	1.0 %
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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

#### Ethyl chloroformate (541-41-3)

Listed on the Canadian NDSL (Non-Domestic Substances List)

### EU-Regulations

No additional information available

### National regulations

#### Ethyl chloroformate (541-41-3)

Listed on the AICS (Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances)  
Listed on IECSC (Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China)  
Listed on the Japanese ENCS (Existing & New Chemical Substances) inventory  
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 on the Canadian IDL (Ingredient Disclosure List)  
Listed on INSQ (Mexican national Inventory of Chemical Substances)



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### 15.3. US State regulations

#### Ethyl chloroformate (541-41-3)

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) List

California Proposition 65 - This product does not contain any substances known to the state of California to cause cancer and/or reproductive harm

### SECTION 16: Other information

Full text of H-phrases:

Acute Tox. 1 (Inhalation)	Acute toxicity (inhalation) Category 1
Acute Tox. 3 (Oral)	Acute toxicity (oral) Category 3
Aquatic Acute 1	Hazardous to the aquatic environment - Acute Hazard Category 1
Eye Dam. 1	Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 1
Flam. Liq. 2	Flammable liquids Category 2
Skin Corr. 1B	Skin corrosion/irritation Category 1B
STOT SE 3	Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) Category 3
H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapor
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NFPA health hazard

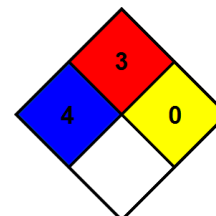
: 4 - Very short exposure could cause death or serious residual injury even though prompt medical attention was given.

NFPA fire hazard

: 3 - Liquids and solids that can be ignited under almost all ambient conditions.

NFPA reactivity

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



HMIS III Rating

Health

: 4 Severe Hazard - Life-threatening, major or permanent damage may result from single or repeated overexposures  
\* - Chronic (long-term) health effects may result from repeated overexposure

Flammability

: 3 Serious Hazard - Materials capable of ignition under almost all normal temperature conditions. Includes flammable liquids with flash points below 73 F and boiling points above 100 F. as well as liquids with flash points between 73 F and 100 F. (Classes IB & IC)

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.

SDS US (GHS HazCom 2012)

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