

# Safety Data Sheet

according to OSHA Hazard Communication  
29 CFR Part 1910.1200

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## SECTION 1. Identification

**Product Code** 10061  
**Product Name:** Xylene  
  
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**INFOTRAC: 1-800-535-5053**

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**Infotrac: 352-323-3500**

NOTE: INFOTRAC and National Response Center emergency numbers to be used only in the event of chemical emergencies involving a spill, leak, fire, exposure or accident involving chemicals

## SECTION 2. Hazard(s) Identification

**\*\*\* EMERGENCY OVERVIEW \*\*\*:** Flammable liquid and vapor. May be fatal if swallowed and enters airway. Suspect cancer hazard.

### GHS Classification

Acute Tox. 4 Inhalation, Asp. Tox. 1, Carc. 2, Eye Irrit. 2, Flam. Liq. 3, Repr. 2, Skin Irrit. 2, STOT RE 1, STOT SE 1, STOT SE 3 NE, STOT SE 3 RTI

### Symbol(s) of Product



### Signal Word

Danger

### GHS HAZARD STATEMENTS

Flammable Liquid, category 3	H226	Flammable liquid and vapor.
Aspiration Hazard, category 1	H304	May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.
Skin Irritation, category 2	H315	Causes skin irritation.
Eye Irritation, category 2	H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
Acute Toxicity, Inhalation, category 4	H332	Harmful if inhaled.
STOT, single exposure, category 3, RTI	H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
STOT, single exposure, category 3, NE	H336	May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
Carcinogenicity, category 2	H351	Suspected of causing cancer.
Reproductive Toxicity, category 2	H361	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
STOT, single exposure, category 1	H370	Causes damage to organs.
STOT, repeated exposure, category 1	H372	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

### GHS PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P210	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
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 dust/fume/gas/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+P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of 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+P311	IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician
P308+P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
P312	Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
P314	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.
P321	Specific treatment (see first aid section on this label).
P331	Do NOT induce vomiting.
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
P362+P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P370+P378	In case of fire: Use appropriate method 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 in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

### SECTION 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS-No.</u>	<u>Wt. %</u>	<u>GHS Symbols</u>	<u>GHS Statements</u>
Xylene	1330-20-7	75-100	GHS02-GHS07- GHS08	H226-304-315-319-332-335-336 -351-361-370-372
Ethylbenzene	100-41-4	10-25	GHS02-GHS07- GHS08	H225-304-315-319-332-335-351 -373

The text for GHS Hazard Statements shown above (if any) is given in the "Other information" Section.

### SECTION 4. First-Aid Measures



**FIRST AID - EYE CONTACT:** Immediately flush eyes with water. Flush eyes with water for a minimum of 15 minutes, occasionally lifting and lowering upper lids. Get medical attention promptly. Remove contact lenses if worn.

**FIRST AID - SKIN CONTACT:** Immediately flush skin with plenty of water. Remove clothing. Get medical attention immediately. Wash clothing separately and clean shoes before reuse.

**FIRST AID - INHALATION:** Rescuers should put on appropriate protective gear. Remove from area of exposure. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Keep victim warm. Get immediate medical attention. To prevent aspiration, keep head below knees.

**FIRST AID - INGESTION:** Small amounts which accidentally enter mouth should be rinsed out until taste of it is gone. Do not induce vomiting. Do not give liquids. Obtain emergency medical attention.

### SECTION 5. Fire-Fighting Measures

**UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** Flammable liquid and vapor. Vapors/dust may form explosive mixture with air. Vapors can travel to a source of ignition and flash back. Empty containers retain product residue (liquid and/or vapor) and can be dangerous. DO NOT pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose such containers to heat, flame, sparks, static electricity, or other sources of ignition. Also, do not reuse container without commercial cleaning or reconditioning. Closed container may explode under extreme heat.

**SPECIAL FIREFIGHTING PROCEDURES:** As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand (MSHA/NIOSH approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Avoid use of solid water streams. Water spray to cool containers or protect personnel. Use with caution. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. Dike and collect water used to fight fire.

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Carbon Dioxide, Dry Chemical, Foam, Water Fog

## SECTION 6. Accidental Release Measures

**STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED:** Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. (See Exposure Controls / Personal Protection Section.) Eliminate all ignition sources. Prevent additional discharge of material if able to do so safely. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches which lead to waterways. Ventilate spill area. Stay upwind of spill. Collect spilled materials for disposal. Use only non-combustible material for clean-up. Use clean, non-sparking tools to collect absorbed materials. Absorb spill with inert material (e.g. dry sand or earth), then place in a chemical waste container.

## SECTION 7. Handling and Storage



**HANDLING:** Use only in a well ventilated area. Avoid breathing vapor, fumes or mist. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Material accumulates static charge (ignition source). When transferring, follow proper grounding procedures. Use spark-resistant tools. Do not load into compartments adjacent to heated cargo. Use explosion proof equipment. Always open containers slowly to allow any excess pressure to vent. Follow all MSDS/label precautions even after containers are emptied because they may retain product residues.

**STORAGE:** Keep away from heat, sparks, and flame. Containers can build up pressure if exposed to heat (fire). Store containers in a cool, well ventilated place. Keep container closed when not in use. Protect from direct sunlight. Material is a static accumulator which has the potential of forming ignitable vapor-air mixtures in storage tanks.

## SECTION 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### Ingredients with Occupational Exposure Limits

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>ACGIH TLV-TWA</u>	<u>ACGIH-TLV STEL</u>	<u>OSHA PEL-TWA</u>	<u>OSHA PEL-CEILING</u>
Xylene	100 ppm	150 ppm	100 ppm	N.D.
Ethylbenzene	100ppm	125ppm	100ppm	N.D.

### Personal Protection



**RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:** NIOSH/MSHA approved respirators may be necessary if airborne concentrations are expected to exceed exposure limits.



**SKIN PROTECTION:** Wear impervious gloves to prevent contact with the skin. Wear long sleeves when contact is likely to occur. Wear protective gear as needed - apron, suit, boots.



**EYE PROTECTION:** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) and a face shield.



**OTHER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower.



**HYGIENIC PRACTICES:** Do not eat, drink, or smoke in areas where this material is used. Avoid breathing vapors. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Wash thoroughly after handling. Wash hands before eating.

## SECTION 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

<b>Appearance:</b>	Clear, transparent liquid	<b>Physical State:</b>	Liquid
<b>Odor:</b>	Typical	<b>Odor Threshold:</b>	N.D.
<b>Density, g/cm<sup>3</sup>:</b>	0.872	<b>pH:</b>	N.D.
<b>Freeze Point, °F:</b>	N.D.	<b>Viscosity:</b>	N.D.
<b>Solubility in Water:</b>	Insoluble	<b>Explosive Limits, vol%:</b>	1.0 - 7.0
<b>Boiling Range, °F:</b>	277 - 288	<b>Flash Point, °F:</b>	81
<b>Evaporation Rate:</b>	0.8 (n-Bu Acetate=1)	<b>Auto-ignition Temp., °F:</b>	N.D.
<b>Vapor Density:</b>	3 (air=1)	<b>Vapor Pressure:</b>	8mm Hg

(See "Other information" Section for abbreviation legend)

## SECTION 10. Stability and Reactivity

**STABILITY:** No Information

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** Avoid impact, friction, heat, sparks, flame and source of ignition.

**INCOMPATIBILITY:** Keep away from strong bases. Keep away from acids. Prevent contact with oxidizing materials.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** Toxic gases/fumes are given off during burning or thermal decomposition. During combustion carbon monoxide may be formed. During combustion carbon dioxide may be formed.

**HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:** No Information

## SECTION 11. Toxicological Information



### Information on Toxicological Effects

**EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE - INHALATION:** Harmful if inhaled. Danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure through inhalation. May be irritating to the respiratory system. May cause dizziness and drowsiness. Overexposure may cause upper respiratory tract irritation, headaches, cyanosis, blood serum changes, central nervous system damage and narcosis.

**EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE - SKIN CONTACT:** Causes skin irritation. Harmful if absorbed through skin. Prolonged or repeated contact can result in defatting and drying of the skin which may result in skin irritation and dermatitis (rash). Personnel with pre-existing skin disorders should avoid contact with this product.

**EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE - EYE CONTACT:** Causes serious irritation to eyes. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness and swelling.

**EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE - INGESTION:** Harmful if swallowed. May be fatal if swallowed and enters airway. Irritating to mouth, throat, and stomach. May cause nausea and vomiting.

**EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE - CHRONIC HAZARDS:** May cause target organ damage. Suspect cancer hazard. The International Agency for Research on Cancer has evaluated ethylbenzene and classified it as a possible human carcinogen (Group 2B) based on sufficient evidence for carcinogenicity in experimental animals, but inadequate evidence for cancer in exposed humans. Small amounts of liquid aspirated into the lungs during ingestion or from vomiting may cause chemical pneumonitis or pulmonary edema. Very high exposure (confined spaces/abuse) to light hydrocarbons may result in abnormal heart rhythm.

**Primary Route(s) of Entry:** Eye Contact, Ingestion, Inhalation, Skin Absorption, Skin Contact

### Acute Toxicity Values

The acute effects of this product have not been tested. Data on individual components are tabulated below:

<u>CAS-No.</u>	<u>Name according to EEC</u>	<u>Oral LD50, mg/kg</u>	<u>Dermal LD50, mg/kg</u>	<u>Vapor LC50, mg/L</u>
1330-20-7	Xylene	>3500	>4200	21.7
100-41-4	Ethylbenzene	3500	15433	>20.0

**SECTION 12. Ecological Information**

ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION: No Information

**SECTION 13. Disposal Considerations**

For more guidance and information contact our Waste Services Division at (262) 658-4000.

Always dispose of any waste in accordance with all local, state, and federal regulations.

**DISPOSAL METHOD:** Dispose of waste in accordance with all local, state and federal regulations.**STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED:** Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. (See Exposure Controls / Personal Protection Section.) Eliminate all ignition sources. Prevent additional discharge of material if able to do so safely. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches which lead to waterways. Ventilate spill area. Stay upwind of spill. Collect spilled materials for disposal. Use only non-combustible material for clean-up. Use clean, non-sparking tools to collect absorbed materials. Absorb spill with inert material (e.g. dry sand or earth), then place in a chemical waste container.**SECTION 14. Transport Information**

<b>DOT Proper Shipping Name:</b>	Xylenes	<b>Packing Group:</b>	III
<b>DOT Hazard Class:</b>	3	<b>Hazard SubClass:</b>	No Information
<b>DOT UN/NA Number:</b>	UN1307	<b>Resp. Guide Page:</b>	130

**SECTION 15. Regulatory Information****U.S. Federal Regulations:****CERCLA - SARA Hazard Category**

This product has been reviewed according to the EPA 'Hazard Categories' promulgated under Sections 311 and 312 of the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA Title III) and is considered, under applicable definitions, to meet the following categories:

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**SARA SECTION 313:**

This product contains the following substances subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act of 1986 and 40 CFR part 372:

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS-No.</u>
Xylene	1330-20-7
Ethylbenzene	100-41-4

**TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT:**

This product contains the following chemical substances subject to the reporting requirements of TSCA 12(B) if exported from the United States:

No TSCA components exist in this product.

**U.S. State Regulations:****NEW JERSEY RIGHT-TO-KNOW:**

The following materials are non-hazardous, but are among the top five components in this product.

No NJ Right-To-Know components exist in this product.

**PENNSYLVANIA RIGHT-TO-KNOW**

The following non-hazardous ingredients are present in the product are at or greater than 3%.

No PA Right-To-Know components exist in this product.

**CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 CARCINOGENS**

Warning: The following ingredients present in the product are known to the state of California to cause Cancer:

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS-No.</u>
Ethylbenzene	100-41-4

**CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 REPRODUCTIVE TOXINS**

Warning: The following ingredients present in the product are known to the state of California to cause birth defects, or other reproductive hazards.

No Proposition 65 Reproductive Toxins exist in this product.

**International Regulations: As follows -****CANADIAN WHMIS:**

This SDS has been prepared in compliance with Controlled Product Regulations except for the use of the 16 headings.

WHMIS Class: No Information

**SECTION 16. Other Information**

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**HMIS Ratings:**

<b>Health:</b>	2	<b>Flammability:</b>	3	<b>Reactivity:</b>	0	<b>Personal Protection:</b>	X
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**Volatile Organic Compounds, gr/ltr:** 100

DISCLAIMER: THE VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUND (VOC) CONTENT REPORTED HEREIN, IF ANY, IS BASED ON A MATERIAL VOC CALCULATION. NOTE THAT SEVERAL METHODS ARE USED FOR CALCULATING VOC CONTENT AND THAT STANDARDS/ REQUIREMENTS REGARDING VOC CONTENT VARY BY LOCATION/JURISDICTION. ACCORDINGLY, EMCO MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, REGARDING THIS MATERIAL'S COMPLIANCE WITH VOC STANDARDS/ REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE IN LOCATIONS/JURISDICTIONS WHERE THIS MATERIAL MAY BE SOLD OR USED.

**Text for GHS Hazard Statements shown in Section 3 describing each ingredient:**

H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapor.
H226	Flammable liquid and vapor.
H304	May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H332	Harmful if inhaled.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H336	May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
H351	Suspected of causing cancer.
H361	Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.
H370	Causes damage to organs.
H372	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
H373	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**Icons for GHS Pictograms shown in Section 3 describing each ingredient:**

GHS02



GHS07



**GHS08**

Legend: N.A. - Not Applicable, N.E. - Not Established, N.D. - Not Determined, N.I. - No Information

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