

## MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET INFORMATION

For further information: Please refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet following

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**PRODUCT:** I.M.S. (ETHANOL) 95%

**Other Names:** Ethanol Solution

**Uses:** Industrial cleaning, coatings formulations, laboratory reagent

<b>UN No.:</b>	1170
<b>Dangerous Goods Class:</b>	3
<b>Subsidiary Risk:</b>	None
<b>Packing Group:</b>	II
<b>Hazchem Code:</b>	• 2YE
<b>Poisons Schedule:</b>	5

<b>Hazardous Nature:</b>	This product is classified as hazardous according to the Australian Safety and Compensation Council criteria.
<b>Exposure Standards:</b>	TWA: 1880 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (1000 ppm); STEL: None specified: consider (1500 ppm); Peak Limitation (if any): None; Skin Sensitiser (if any): none. Refer to Section 8 for further information and definitions.

<b>Physical Characteristics (Typical)</b>		<b>Section 9 of the MSDS</b>
Appearance	Clear, colourless, mobile liquid	
Boiling Point/Range (°C):	80	
Flash Point (°C):	13	
Specific Gravity/Density (g/ml @ 15°C):	0.81	
pH:	7	
Chemical Stability:	Stable at room temperature and pressure	
Reactivity:	Extreme heat and ignition sources	

<b>Product Ingredients</b>			<b>Section 3 of the MSDS</b>
<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>CAS Number</u>	<u>Proportion</u>	
Ethanol 100%	64-17-5	<96	
Water	7732-18-5	< 4.0	
Methyl Isobutyl Ketone	108-10-1	< 0.3	

For further ingredients information, please refer to the full MSDS

<b>Risk Phrases</b>	<b>Section 2 of the MSDS</b>
R 11: Highly Flammable	
R 36/37: Irritating to eyes and respiratory system	

### DEFINITIONS

Dangerous Goods	Products that are regulated for transport by Road and Rail under the national guide are Dangerous Goods. Products can be classed as Dangerous Goods if they have a flash point below 60.5°C, a pH below 3 or above 11, are explosives or toxic. These goods will be allocated a UN No., Packing Group, Hazchem Code, and possibly a subsidiary risk.
Hazardous Substances	Hazardous Substances are those products that are intrinsically hazardous by nature, rather than by misuse. These include mutagens, teratogens, carcinogens, products that are toxic (but not sufficiently toxic to be classed as Dangerous Goods or carry a subsidiary risk), and products that pose environmental risks.
Poisons	Poisons are products that are regulated by the dose or exposure, often having physical and chemical effects at certain concentrations particular to the nature of the product. For example, in small doses, some products are harmless, but with increased concentration or exposure these products can be extremely harmful. The classification indicates First Aid, etc.

## 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name:** I.M.S. (ETHANOL) 95%  
**Other Names:** Ethanol Solution  
**Chemical Family:** Alcohol  
**Molecular Formula:** CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH  
**Recommended Use:** Industrial cleaning, coatings formulations, laboratory reagent  
**Supplier:** Univar Australia Pty Ltd  
**ABN:** 99 114 669 091  
**Address:** 14 Williamson Road, Ingleburn NSW 2565  
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**All other inquiries:** (02) 9618 1588

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Hazard Classification

This product is classified as hazardous according to the Australian Safety and Compensation Council criteria.

### Hazard Category

F: Flammable; Xi: Irritant

### Risk Phrases

R 11: Highly Flammable

R 36/37: Irritating to eyes and respiratory system

### Safety Phrases

S 2: Keep out of the reach of children

S 7: Keep container tightly closed

S 16: Keep away from sources of ignition

S 23: Do not breath vapour/mist/spray

S 25: Avoid contact with eyes

**Dangerous Goods Classification 3**

**Poisons Schedule 5**

## 3. COMPOSITION: Information on Ingredients

Chemical Ingredient	CAS Number	Proportion (% v/v)
Ethanol 100%	64-17-5	<96
Water	7732-18-5	< 4.0
Methyl Isobutyl Ketone	108-10-1	< 0.3
Denatonium Benzoate	3734-33-6	2 ppm
Fluorosene dye	2321.-07-5	2 ppm

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

For advice, contact Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia: 13 1126) or a doctor.

### Ingestion

If swallowed, DO NOT induce vomiting. Keep at rest. Seek immediate medical attention.

### Eye Contact

Flush eyes with large amounts of water until irritation subsides. Seek immediate medical attention.

### **Skin Contact**

Flush area with large amounts of water and wash area with soap if available. Remove contaminated clothing, including shoes, and launder before reuse. Seek medical attention for skin irritations.

### **Inhalation**

Using proper respiratory protection, immediately remove the affective victim from exposure. Administer artificial respiration if breathing has stopped. Keep at rest. Seek immediate medical attention.

### **First Aid Facilities**

Provide eye baths and safety showers.

### **Medical Attention**

Treat according to symptoms. Avoid gastric lavage - aspiration of product to the lungs may result in chemical pneumonitis.

## **5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Shut off product that may 'fuel' a fire if safe to do so. Allow trained personnel to attend a fire in progress providing fire fighters with this Material Safety Data Sheet. Prevent extinguishing media from escaping to drains and waterways.

### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Alcohol resistant foam, or if unavailable, water spray

### **Hazards from combustion products**

Carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide

### **Precautions for fire fighters and special protective equipment**

Full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus

### **Hazchem Code**

- 2YE

## **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

### **Emergency Procedures**

Prevent product from escaping to drains and waterways. Contain leaking packaging in a containment drum. Prevent vapours or dusts from building up in confined areas. Ensure that drain valves are closed at all times. Clean up and report spills immediately.

### **Methods and materials for containment**

#### ***Major Land Spill***

- Eliminate sources of ignition.
- Warn occupants of downwind areas of possible fire and explosion hazard, where present.
- Prevent product from entering sewers, watercourses, or low-lying areas.
- Keep the public away from the area.
- Shut off the source of the spill if possible and safe to do so.
- Advise authorities if substance has entered a watercourse or sewer or has contaminated soil or vegetation.
- Take measures to minimise the effect on the ground water.
- Contain the spilled product using the resources in the spill kit.
- Recover by pumping – use explosion proof pump or hand pump – or with a suitable absorbent material.
- Consult an expert on disposal of recovered material and ensure conformity to local disposal regulations.
- See "First Aid Measures" and "Stability and Reactivity"

#### ***Major Water Spill***

- Eliminate any sources of ignition.
- Warn occupants and shipping in downwind areas of possible fire and explosion hazard, where present.
- Notify the port or relevant authority and keep the public away from the area.
- Shut off the source of the spill if possible and safe to do so.

- Confine the spill if possible.
- Remove the product from the surface by skimming or with suitable absorbent material.
- Consult an expert on disposal of recovered material and ensure conformity to local disposal regulations.
- See “First Aid Measures” and “Stability and Reactivity”.

## **7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### **Precautions for Safe Handling**

This product is flammable. Do not open near open flame, sources of heat or ignition. No smoking. Keep container closed. Handle containers with care. Open slowly to control possible pressure release. Use grounding leads to avoid discharge (electrical

### **Conditions for Safe Storage**

Store in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight. Do not pressurise, cut, heat or weld containers - residual vapours are flammable. This product is flammable and will fuel a fire in progress.

### **Incompatible Materials**

Natural Rubber, Butyl Rubber, EPDM, Polystyrene

## **8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS: PERSONAL PROTECTION**

### **National Exposure Standards**

The time weighted average concentration (TWA) for this product is: 1880 mg/m<sup>3</sup> (1000 ppm), which means the highest allowable exposure concentration in an eight-hour day for a five-day working week. The short term exposure limit (STEL) is: None specified: consider (1500 ppm), which is the maximum allowable exposure concentration at any time. Replacing a TWA or STEL value for some products is a Peak Limitation value (Peak): None applies in this case. In addition to the exposure concentrations may be a subsidiary caution in such cases where the product is a skin sensitiser, represented as (Sk), where none applies in this case.

### **Biological Limit Values (BLV)**

None specified

### **Engineering Controls: Ventilation**

The use of local exhaust ventilation is recommended to control process emissions near the source. Laboratory samples should be handled in a fume hood. Provide mechanical ventilation of confined spaces. Use explosion proof equipment.

### **Personal Protective Equipment**

**Respiratory Protection:** Where concentrations in air may approach or exceed the limits described in the National Exposure Standards, it is recommended to use a half-face filter mask to protect from overexposure by inhalation. A type ‘A’ filter material is considered suitable for this product.

**Eye Protection:** Always use safety glasses or a face shield when handling this product.

**Skin/Body Protection:** Always wear long sleeves, long trousers, or coveralls, and enclosed footwear or safety boots when handling this product. It is recommended that chemical resistant gloves be worn when handling this product.

## **9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

<b>Property</b>	<b>Unit of measurement</b>	<b>Typical Value</b>
Appearance	None	Clear, colourless, mobile liquid
Boiling Point/Range	°C	80
Flash Point	°C	13
SG/Density (@ 15°C)	g/ml; kgm <sup>-3</sup>	0.81
Vapour Pressure @ 20°C	kPa	44 mmHg
Vapour Density @ 20°C	g/ml; kgm <sup>-3</sup>	1.59
Autoignition Temperature	°C	392

Property	Unit of measurement	Typical Value
Explosive Limits in Air	% vol/vol	3.5 - 19
Viscosity @ 20 °C	cPs, mPas	Not available
Percent volatiles	% vol/vol	100
Acidity/alkalinity as pH	None	7
Solubility in Water	g/l	Soluble in water
Other solvents	-	Alchols, hydrocarbons, acetates

The values listed are indicative of this product's physical and chemical properties. For a full product specification, please consult the Technical Data Sheet.

## **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

### **Chemical stability**

Stable at room temperature and pressure

### **Conditions to avoid**

Extreme heat and ignition sources

### **Hazardous decomposition products**

Carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide

### **Hazardous reactions**

Strong oxidising agents, mineral acids

### **Hazardous polymerisation**

Will not occur

## **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **Acute Effects**

#### **Ingestion**

If swallowed, will cause harmful central nervous system effects. Symptoms include excitation, euphoria, headache, dizziness, drowsiness, blurred vision, fatigue, tremors, convulsions, loss of consciousness, coma, respiratory arrest, and death. Severe, acute intoxication may cause hypoglycemia, hypothermia and extensor rigidity. Other effects may include decreased blood pressure, vomiting blood and blood discharges. Aspiration to the lungs may cause chemical pneumonitis.

#### **Eye Contact**

Vapour s may irritate the eyes. Liquid and mists may severely irritate or damage the eyes.

#### **Skin Contact**

Moderately irritating to the skin. Brief contact may cause redness. Repeated or prolonged contact may lead to dermatitis with redness, itching, swelling and possible secondary infection. A small proportion of the population may develop an allergic skin reaction.

#### **Inhalation**

Moderately irritating to respiratory tract and mucous membranes. Inhalation of the vapour may result in headache, nausea and vomiting. High concentrations may cause central nervous system depression - symptoms outlined in 'Ingestion'.

### **Chronic Effects**

Chronic intoxication by swallowing or repeated inhalation, may cause degenerative changes in the liver, kidneys, hair, gastrointestinal tract and heart muscle. The combination of this product and Toluene produce potentiated (greatly increased) health effects. These symptoms can be found in 'Ingestion' and 'Inhalation'.

### **Other Health Effects Information**

Persons with pre-existing liver impairment, skin and respiratory disorders may be at an increased risk from exposure. Ethanol may also casue adverse reproductive effects. Concurrent absorption of ehtanol and some drugs may cause adverse health effects. Ingestion of beverages containing ethanol by pregnant women is

associated with 'foetal alcohol syndrome' in their babies. The IARC has evaluated alcohol drinking as a Group 1 carcinogenic to humans.

### **Toxicological Information**

Oral LD<sub>50</sub>: Rat: 7060 mg/kg

Dermal LD<sub>50</sub>: Rabbit: 20g/kg

## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **Ecotoxicity**

#### **Aquatic Toxicity:**

Fish Toxicity LC<sub>50</sub>:

Daphnia Magna EC<sub>50</sub>:

Blue-green algae:

Green algae:

**Persistence/Biodegradability:** pKa: 15.9; log P: -0.31

**Mobility:** Highly mobile on dilution

## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

### **Disposal Methods**

Empty packaging should be taken for recycling, recovery or disposal through a suitably qualified or licensed contractor. Care should be taken to ensure compliance with national and local authorities. Packaging may still contain product residue that may be harmful. Ensure that empty packaging is managed in accordance with Dangerous Goods regulations.

### **Special Precautions**

This product is not suitable for disposal by either landfill or via municipal sewers, drains, natural streams or rivers. This product is ashless and can be incinerated in a regulated facility. In the absence of a designated industrial incinerator, this product should be treated and disposed through chemical waste treatment, or considered for use in solvent recycling.

## **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Road and Rail Transport		Marine Transport		Air Transport	
UN No.	1170	UN No.	1170	UN No.	1170
Proper Shipping Name	Ethanol Solution (Ethyl Alcohol Solution)	Proper Shipping Name	Ethanol Solution (Ethyl Alcohol Solution)	Proper Shipping Name	Ethanol Solution (Ethyl Alcohol Solution)
DG Class	3	DG Class	3	DG Class	3
Sub. Risk	None	Sub. Risk	None	Sub. Risk	None
Packing Group	II	Packing Group	II	Packing Group	II
Hazchem	• 2YE	Hazchem	• 2YE	Hazchem	• 2YE

### **Dangerous Goods Segregation**

This product is Dangerous Goods Class 3, packing group II.

## **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**Country/Region:** Australia

**Inventory:** AICS

**Status:** Listed

**Poisons Schedule:** 5

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Reasons for Issue:** Upgrade to 16-point MSDS; Amalgamated supplier changes in all sections

**Abbreviations:**

AICS: Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

CAS Number: Chemical Abstracts Number

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

ASCC: Australian Safety and Compensation Council

PPE: Personal Protective Equipment

N/R: Non-regulated

N/A: Not applicable

**References:**

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- Animal toxicology data: <http://chem.sis.nlm.nih.gov/chemidplus> (July, 2008)
- Ecotoxicology data: [http://cfpub.epa.gov/ecotox/quick\\_query.htm](http://cfpub.epa.gov/ecotox/quick_query.htm) (July, 2008)
- *Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials*, Richard J Lewis Snr., pub. Canada (2005)

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