METHYL ETHYL KETONE (MEK)
Safety Data Sheet

SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Identification
Product form: Substance
Trade name: METHYL ETHYL KETONE (MEK)
CAS-No.: 78-93-3
Product code: TS109
Formula: C4H8O
Synonyms: 2-butane / 2-oxobutane / 3-butane / acetone, methyl- / AI3-07540 / butan-2-one / butanone / Caswell NO 569 / ethyl methyl ketone / Ethyl methyl ketone (methyl ethyl ketone) / EXXON methyl ethyl ketone / FEMA N°. 2170 / ketone, ethyl methyl- / meetco / MEK (= methyl ethyl ketone) / methyl 2-propanone / methyl acetone
BIG no: 10074

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against
Use of the substance/mixture: Solvent
Chemical raw material

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet
Crown Paint Company
1801 W. Sheridan
Oklahoma City, 73106 - United States
T 1-405-232-8580

1.4. Emergency telephone number
Emergency number: In the event of an emergency involving dangerous goods:
in Canada call CANUTEC at 613-996-6666 or *666 on a cellular phone.
in the US call CHEMTREC at 800-424-9300 (Account Name for US is Polyglass Coatings)

SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture
GHS-US classification
Flam. Liq. 2 H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor
Eye Irrit. 2 H319 - Causes serious eye irritation
STOT SE 3 H336 - May cause drowsiness or dizziness
Full text of H statements: 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
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation
H336 - May cause drowsiness or dizziness
Precautionary statements (GHS-US): P210 - Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. 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.
P261 - Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P264 - Wash thoroughly after handling
P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P303+P361+P353 - If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse

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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
P312 - Call a poison center/doctor/physician if you feel unwell
P337+P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
P370+P378 - In case of fire: Use dry chemical powder, alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide (CO2) 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 all local, regional, national and international regulations.

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. Substances

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<td>(CAS-No.) 78-93-3</td>
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Full text of H-phrases: see section 16

3.2. Mixtures
Not applicable

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures


First-aid measures after inhalation: Remove the victim into fresh air. Respiratory problems: consult a doctor/medical service.

First-aid measures after skin contact: Wash immediately with lots of water. Soap may be used. Do not apply (chemical) neutralizing agents. Take victim to a doctor if irritation persists.

First-aid measures after eye contact: Rinse immediately with plenty of water. Do not apply neutralizing agents. Take victim to an ophthalmologist if irritation persists.

First-aid measures after ingestion: Rinse mouth with water. Immediately after ingestion: give lots of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting. Immediately call a poison center or doctor/physician. Consult a doctor/medical service if you feel unwell. Ingestion of large quantities: immediately to hospital.

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


Symptoms/effects after skin contact: Red skin. ON CONTINUOUS EXPOSURE/CONTACT: Dry skin. Cracking of the skin.

Symptoms/effects after eye contact: Irritation of the eye tissue. Inflammation/damage of the eye tissue.

Symptoms/effects after ingestion: AFTER INGESTION OF HIGH QUANTITIES: Symptoms similar to those listed under inhalation. Risk of aspiration pneumonia.

Chronic symptoms: ON CONTINUOUS/REPEATED EXPOSURE/CONTACT: Dry skin. Itching. Skin rash/inflammation.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
No additional information available

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media: Alcohol-resistant foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide.

Unsuitable extinguishing media: Do not use a heavy water stream.
### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

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<th>Fire hazard</th>
<th>DIRECT FIRE HAZARD: Highly flammable. Gas/vapour flammable with air within explosion limits. INDIRECT FIRE HAZARD: May be ignited by sparks. Gas/vapour spreads at floor level: ignition hazard. Reactions involving a fire hazard: see &quot;Reactivity Hazard&quot;.</th>
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<td>Explosion hazard</td>
<td>DIRECT EXPLOSION HAZARD: Gas/vapour explosive with air within explosion limits. INDIRECT EXPLOSION HAZARD: may be ignited by sparks. Reactions with explosion hazards: see &quot;Reactivity Hazard&quot;.</td>
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<td>Reactivity</td>
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### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

| Firefighting instructions | Cool tanks/drums with water spray/remove them into safety. Do not move the load if exposed to heat. |

### SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

##### 6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel


##### 6.1.2. For emergency responders

| Protective equipment | Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. |

#### 6.2. Environmental precautions

| Prevent spreading in sewers. |

#### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

| For containment | Contain released product, pump into suitable containers. Consult "Material-handling" to select material of containers. Plug the leak, cut off the supply. Dam up the liquid spill. Try to reduce evaporation. Measure the concentration of the explosive gas-air mixture. Dilute/disperse combustible gas/vapour with water curtain. Provide equipment/receptacles with earthing. Do not use compressed air for pumping over spills. |
| Methods for cleaning up | Take up liquid spill into absorbent material, e.g.: sand, earth, vermiculite. Scoop absorbed substance into closing containers. See "Material-handling" for suitable container materials. Carefully collect the spill/leftovers. Damaged/cooled tanks must be emptied. Do not use compressed air for pumping over spills. Clean contaminated surfaces with an excess of water. Take collected spill to manufacturer/competent authority. Wash clothing and equipment after handling. |

#### 6.4. Reference to other sections

| No additional information available |

### SECTION 7: Handling and storage

#### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

| Precautions for safe handling | Comply with the legal requirements. Remove contaminated clothing immediately. Clean contaminated clothing. Handle uncleansed empty containers as full ones. Thoroughly clean/dry the installation before use. Do not discharge the waste into the drain. Do not use compressed air for pumping over. Use spark-/explosionproof appliances and lighting system. Take precautions against electrostatic charges. Keep away from naked flames/heat. Keep away from ignition sources/sparks. Observe normal hygiene standards. Avoid prolonged and repeated contact with skin. Keep container tightly closed. Before use: check for peroxides and eliminate them. Measure the concentration in the air regularly. Work under local exhaust/ventilation. |
| Hygiene measures | Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product. Remove contaminated clothes. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. |

#### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

| Storage conditions | Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Keep container closed when not in use. Keep container tightly closed. |
| Heat-ignition      | KEEP SUBSTANCE AWAY FROM: heat sources. ignition sources. |
Information on mixed storage: KEEP SUBSTANCE AWAY FROM: oxidizing agents. (strong) acids. (strong) bases. halogens. alcohols. amines.


Special rules on packaging: SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: closing. dry. clean. opaque. correctly labelled. meet the legal requirements. Secure fragile packagings in solid containers.

Packaging materials: SUITABLE MATERIAL: stainless steel. monel steel. carbon steel. MATERIAL TO AVOID: synthetic material. synthetic material.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

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<th>METHYL ETHYL KETONE (MEK) (78-93-3)</th>
<th>ACGIH</th>
<th>ACGIH TWA (ppm)</th>
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<td>ACGIH</td>
<td>ACGIH STEL (ppm)</td>
<td>300 ppm (Methyl ethyl ketone (MEK); USA; Short time value; TLV - Adopted Value)</td>
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<td>ACGIH</td>
<td>Remark (ACGIH)</td>
<td>URT irr; CNS &amp; PNS impair</td>
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<td>OSHA</td>
<td>OSHA PEL (TWA) (mg/m³)</td>
<td>590 mg/m³</td>
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<td>OSHA PEL (TWA) (ppm)</td>
<td>200 ppm</td>
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8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls: Ensure good ventilation of the work station.


Hand protection: Gloves.

Eye protection: Safety glasses.

Skin and body protection: Head/neck protection. Protective clothing.

Respiratory protection: Insufficient ventilation: wear respiratory protection.

Other information: Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state: Liquid

Appearance: Liquid.

Odor threshold: 2 - 85 ppm

6 - 251 mg/m³

pH: No data available

Melting point: -86 °C (1013 hPa)

Freezing point: No data available

Boiling point: 80 °C (1013 hPa)

-176 °F

Critical temperature: 263 °C

Critical pressure: 41550 hPa

Flash point: -9 °C

15.8 °F

Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1): 6

Relative evaporation rate (ether=1): 2.7

Flammability (solid, gas): No data available

Explosion limits: 1.5 - 12 vol %

45 - 378 g/m³
EXPLOSIVE PROPERTIES: No data available

OXIDIZING PROPERTIES: No data available

VAPOR PRESSURE: 105 hPa (20 °C)
VAPOR PRESSURE AT 50 °C: 370 hPa (50 °C)
RELATIVE DENSITY: 0.81 (20 °C)
RELATIVE VAPOR DENSITY AT 20 °C: 2.4
RELATIVE DENSITY OF SATURATED GAS/AIR MIXTURE: 1.2
SPECIFIC GRAVITY / DENSITY: 810 kg/m³ (20 °C)
MOLECULAR MASS: 72.11 g/mol


LOG POW: 0.3 (Experimental value; OECD 117: Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water), HPLC method; 40 °C)

AUTO-IGNITION TEMPERATURE: 404 °C (759 °F)

DECOMPOSITION TEMPERATURE: No data available

VISCOSITY: 0.00041 Pa.s (25 °C)

OTHER INFORMATION

MINIMUM IGNITION ENERGY: 0.53 mJ

SPECIFIC CONDUCTIVITY: 36000 pS/m

SATURATION CONCENTRATION: 311 g/m³

VOC CONTENT (REGULATORY - LESS WATER AND EXEMPT SOLVENTS): 100 %

OTHER PROPERTIES: Gas/vapour heavier than air at 20°C. Clear. Volatile.

SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1. Reactivity
On heating: peroxidation resulting in increased fire or explosion risk. Upon combustion: CO and CO2 are formed. Reacts violently with (strong) oxidizers: (increased) risk of fire/explosion. Violent to explosive reaction with many compounds e.g.: with (some) halogens compounds, alcohols and with (some) acids/bases. Prolonged storage: peroxidation resulting in increased fire or explosion risk.

10.2. Chemical stability
Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions
No additional information available

10.4. Conditions to Avoid
Heat. No flames, No sparks. Eliminate all sources of ignition.

10.5. Incompatible Materials

10.6. Hazardous Decomposition Products
Carbon dioxide. Carbon monoxide.

SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

Likely Routes of Exposure: Inhalation; Ingestion; Skin and eyes contact.

Acute Toxicity: Not classified

Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Not classified

Serious Eye Damage/Irritation: Causes serious eye irritation.
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 drowsiness or dizziness.
Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure : Not classified
Aspiration hazard : Not classified

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**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

**12.1. Toxicity**

Ecology - general : Not classified as dangerous for the environment according to the criteria of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008. Not classified as dangerous for the environment according to the criteria of Directive 67/548/EEC.


Ecology - water : Groundwater pollutant. Not harmful to fishes (LC50(96h) >1000 mg/l). Slightly harmful to invertebrates (Daphnia) (EC50 (48h): 100 - 1000 mg/l). Not harmful to algae (EC50 (72h) >1000 mg/l). Not harmful to bacteria (EC50 >1000 mg/l). Not harmful to activated sludge.

**METHYL ETHYL KETONE (MEK) (78-93-3)**

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<th>EC50 Daphnia 1</th>
<th>308 mg/l (EC50; OECD 202: Daphnia sp. Acute Immobilisation Test; 48 h; Daphnia magna; Static system; Fresh water; Experimental value)</th>
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<td>LC50 fish 2</td>
<td>2993 mg/l (LC50; OECD 203: Fish, Acute Toxicity Test; 96 h; Pimephales promelas; Static system; Fresh water; Experimental value)</td>
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**12.2. Persistence and degradability**

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<td>Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)</td>
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<td>Chemical oxygen demand (COD)</td>
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<td>ThOD</td>
<td>2.44 g O₂/g substance</td>
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<td>BOD (% of ThOD)</td>
<td>&gt; 0.5 (5 days; Literature study)</td>
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**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential**

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<th>Log Pow</th>
<th>0.3 (Experimental value; OECD 117: Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water), HPLC method; 40 °C)</th>
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<td>Bioaccumulative potential</td>
<td>Low potential for bioaccumulation (Log Kow &lt; 4).</td>
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**12.4. Mobility in soil**

**METHYL ETHYL KETONE (MEK) (78-93-3)**

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<th>Surface tension</th>
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<td>Log Koc</td>
<td>Koc,34; Calculated value</td>
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<td>Ecology - soil</td>
<td>Slightly harmful to plants.</td>
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**12.5. Other adverse effects**

No additional information available
SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Product/Packaging disposal recommendations: Remove waste in accordance with local and/or national regulations. Hazardous waste shall not be mixed together with other waste. Different types of hazardous waste shall not be mixed together if this may entail a risk of pollution or create problems for the further management of the waste. Hazardous waste shall be managed responsibly. All entities that store, transport or handle hazardous waste shall take the necessary measures to prevent risks of pollution or damage to people or animals. Recycle by distillation. Remove to an authorized waste incinerator for solvents with energy recovery. Do not discharge into surface water. May be discharged to wastewater treatment installation.

Additional information: Do not reuse empty containers.

Handle empty containers with care because residual vapors are flammable.

SECTION 14: Transport information

Department of Transportation (DOT)

In accordance with DOT

Transport document description: UN1193 Methyl ethyl ketone, 3, II

UN-No.(DOT): UN1193

Proper Shipping Name (DOT): Methyl ethyl ketone

Class (DOT): 3 - Class 3 - Flammable and combustible liquid 49 CFR 173.120

Hazard labels (DOT): 3 - Flammable liquid

Packing group (DOT): II - Medium Danger

DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx): 202

DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx): 242

DOT Special Provisions (49 CFR 172.102): IB2 - Authorized IBCs: Metal (31A, 31B and 31N); Rigid plastics (31H1 and 31H2); Composite (31HZ1). Additional Requirement: Only liquids with a vapor pressure less than or equal to 110 kPa at 50 °C (1.1 bar at 122 °F), or 130 kPa at 55 °C (1.3 bar at 131 °F) are authorized. T4 - 2.65 178.274(d)(2) Normal............ 178.275(d)(3) TP1 - The maximum degree of filling must not exceed the degree of filling determined by the following: Degree of filling = 97 / 1 + a (t_r - t_f) Where: t_r is the maximum mean bulk temperature during transport, and t_f is the temperature in degrees celsius of the liquid during filling.

DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx): 150

DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail (49 CFR 173.27): 5 L

DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 CFR 175.75): 60 L

DOT Vessel Stowage Location: B - (i) The material may be stowed “on deck” or “under deck” 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; and (ii) “On deck only” on passenger vessels in which the number of passengers specified in paragraph [k](2)(i) of this section is exceeded.

Other information: No supplementary information available.

Transportation of Dangerous Goods

Transport document description: UN1193 METHYL ETHYL KETONE (METHYL ETHYL KETONE), 3, II

UN-No. (TDG): UN1193

Proper Shipping Name (Transportation of Dangerous Goods): METHYL ETHYL KETONE

TDG Primary Hazard Classes: 3 - Class 3 - Flammable Liquids

Packing group: II - Medium Danger

Explosive Limit and Limited Quantity Index: 1

Passenger Carrying Road Vehicle or Passenger Carrying Railway Vehicle Index: 5
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according to Federal Register / Vol. 77, No. 58 / Monday, March 26, 2012 / Rules and Regulations

Transport by sea
UN-No. (IMDG) : 1193
Proper Shipping Name (IMDG) : ETHYL METHYL KETONE (METHYL ETHYL KETONE)
Class (IMDG) : 3 - Flammable liquids
Packing group (IMDG) : II - substances presenting medium danger
EmS-No. (1) : F-E
EmS-No. (2) : S-D

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. US Federal regulations
METHYL ETHYL KETONE (MEK) (78-93-3)
Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory
Not listed on SARA Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings)
CERCLA RQ 5000 lb
All components of this product are listed, or excluded from listing, on the United States Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory

15.2. International regulations
CANADA
METHYL ETHYL KETONE (MEK) (78-93-3)
Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List) inventory.
EU-Regulations
No additional information available
National regulations
No additional information available

15.3. US State regulations
METHYL ETHYL KETONE (MEK) (78-93-3)
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) 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
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Full text of H- phrases:

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