

# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC.

## Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### Ethyl Alcohol

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### SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ethyl alcohol

Synonym: ethanol

CAS#: 64-17-5

### SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Clear liquid with a strong alcohol odor.

Toxic by ingestion and inhalation. Body tissue irritant. Avoid all body tissue contact. Denatured with isopropanol and methanol. Not for human consumption.

Flammable liquid.

#### FLINN AT-A-GLANCE

Health-3

Flammability-3

Reactivity-1

Exposure-1

Storage-3

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

### SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

External: Wash continuously with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Rinse out mouth, give 1 to 2 cups of water or milk, and induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control at once.

### SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Class IB flammable liquid.

Flash Point: 48 °F Upper: 24.5% Lower: 3.3% Autoignition Temperature: 683 °F

**Fire Fighting Instructions:** Use a triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.

#### NFPA CODE

H-2

F-3

R-0

### SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Remove all ignition sources and ventilate area. Contain the spill with sand or absorbent material and deposit in a sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

### SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #2. Store with alcohols, glycols, amines, and amides.

Use and dispense in a hood.

Store in a dedicated flammables cabinet. If a flammables cabinet is not available, store in Flinn Saf-Stor can.

### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and a chemical-resistant apron. Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire).

Exposure guidelines: TWA 1000 ppm (OSHA)

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**SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

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Clear liquid with a strong alcohol odor.  
Solubility: Miscible with water and many organic solvents.  
Formula: C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH  
Formula Weight: 46.07

Specific Gravity: 0.785  
Melting Point: -130 °C  
Boiling Point: 78 °C

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**SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

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Avoid contact with oxidizing agents, peroxides, acids, acid chlorides, acid anhydrides, alkali metals, ammonia, moisture, heat, open flame, or any source of ignition.  
Shelf life: Excellent, if stored safely.

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**SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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Acute effects: Poison, irritant, nausea, dizziness, headache.  
Chronic effects: N.A.  
Target organs: Eyes, liver, kidneys, nerves.

ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: 7060 mg/kg  
IHL-RAT LC<sub>50</sub>: 20000 ppm/10H  
SKN-RBT LD<sub>50</sub>: N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

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**SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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Data not yet available.

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**SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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Please consult with state and local regulations.  
Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #26b is one option.

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**SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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Shipping Name: Ethyl alcohol  
Hazard Class: 3, Flammable liquid  
UN Number: UN1170  
N/A = Not applicable

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**SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (200-578-6), RCRA code D001.

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**SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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