

Spearmint

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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET
ACCORDING TO EC LEGISLATION 91/155/E EC
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1. Identification:

Commercial name: Spearmint
Botanical Nomenclature:
INCI name: Mentha viridis
CAS number: 8008-79-5
EINECS CAS number: 84696-51-5
EEC Number: 283-656-2

2. Composition:

Main components: limonene and carvone
Additives (e.g. carriers, preservatives, antioxidants): nil

3. Potential Health Hazards:

Inhalation: None identified.
Skin: Concentrated liquid and vapours irritating to skin by prolonged exposure.
Eyes: Irritating to eyes with possible damage.
Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed.

4. First aid:

Inhalation: If discomfort is felt, remove person to a well ventilated area with plenty of fresh air.
Skin: Remove contaminated clothing. Wash affected area with plenty of soap and water.
Eyes: Flush immediately with plenty of cool water for 10 to 20 minutes. Seek medical advice from a Medical Doctor.
Ingestion: Seek immediate medical care.

5. In case of fire:

Extinguishing Media: Foam, Carbon dioxide.
Do not use: Water.
Special precautions: wear breathing apparatus as toxic vapours may be released during fire.

6. Spill and Leak Procedure:

Individual precautions: Eliminate sources of ignition. Keep area well ventilated and isolate the spill.
Environmental protection: Prevent the liquid from entering the drains and sewers.
Cleaning methods: Soak up the spill using inert absorbents. For large spills use pumps.

7. Handling and storage:

Store in a cool, dry and dark place in suitable containers (aluminium cans or lacquer lined steel drums).
Handle in a well ventilated area.
Keep away from sources of heat and ignition.

8. Personal Protection / Exposure control:

Respiratory protection: wear breathing apparatus when working in an area of high vapour concentration.
Skin protection: Use protective gloves. wear protective clothing when possibility exists of contact.
Eye protection: Goggles should be worn.
General precautions: Use good industrial hygiene practise.

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colourless to very pale yellow oil

9. Physiochemical properties:

Appearance:

fresh, minty, sweet

Odour:

pH:

Neutral

Not available

Boiling point:

Flash point:

57 °C

Autoignition Temperature:

Not available

Not available

Explosion Limits:

Vapour pressure (25°C):

Not available

>1 (air=1)

Vapour Density:

Specific Gravity (20°C):

0.917 ? 0.934

Optical Rotation (20°C):

-45 °C to ? 60 °C

Refractive Index (20°C):

1.484 ? 1.491

Solubility in water (20°):

Negligible

Partition Coefficient log P o/w:

Not available

Evaporation rate:

<1 (Butyl Acetate=1)

10. Stability and Reactivity:

Chemical stability: Stable.

Conditions to avoid: Normally stable. Not reactive with water.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Not available.

11. Sensitisers:

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Limonene 24%, Linalool 0.2%, total 24.2%

12. Toxicological Information:

According to RIFM- Monograph:

Acute Toxicity: Oral LD50: 5g/kg in rats.

Dermal LD50:

5g/kg in rabbits.

Irritation:

Tested without irritation at 4%

Tested without sensitisation at 4%

Sensitisation:

No phototoxic reaction reported.

Phototoxicity:

13. Ecotoxicological information:

Fish Toxicity: LCO/EC50: Not available.

Bacteriotoxicity: ECO/EC50: Not available.

14. Disposal Method:

Check Federal, State and Local Regulations.

15. Transport Information:

UN Number 1993: Proper shipping name: Flammable Liquid N.O.S.

Hazard Class: 3.3 Packing group: III

Transport Safety: Air (ATA/ICAO)

2/PAX309/CA310/III

Sea (IMDG-Code): 3.3/III

Rail (RID): 3.31c

Road (ADR): 3.31c

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16. Regulatory Information

The British Essential Oil Association Chip Regulations ? 2002

R65

Hazard Symbols: Xn

Risk Phrases:

20

H/C %:

Safety Phrases:

S62

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