

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Section I: IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: **METHYLENE BLUE, Loeffler** *Date Prepared:* 03/01
Item Number(s): 6558, 6559
Emergency Phone: 800-441-0366

Section II: HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

<i>Hazardous Component(s):</i>	<i>CAS Number</i>	<i>OHSA PEL, ACGIH TLV/STEL</i>		<i>NFPA</i>	
Methyl Alcohol ~1%	67-56-1	200	200/250	Health	1
Ethyl Alcohol 21%	64-17-5	1000	1000/NR	Flammability	3
				Reactivity	0

Section III: PHYSICAL DATA

Boiling Point: 148°F *Specific Gravity (H₂O = 1):* 0.79
Vapor Pressure mm Hg/20°C: 96 *Percent Volatile by Vol:* 91%
Vapor Density (Air 1:1): 1.11 *Evaporation Rate (ether = 1):* >1
Solubility in H₂O: Complete *Appearance & Odor:* Blue liquid, alcoholic odor

Section IV: FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD

Flash Point: 54°F TCC *Flammable Limits:* LEL 6.7 UEL 36.5
Extinguishing Media: Water Spray, Dry Chemical, CO₂ and Foam for Alcohol
Special Fire Fighting Procedures: Wear protective clothing with NIOSH approved breathing apparatus. Products of combustion may be harmful in a fire situation. Do not use direct water stream.
Unusual Fire & Explosion Hazards: Eliminate sources of ignition. Burns with invisible flame.

Section V: REACTIVITY

Stability: Stable *Material to Avoid:* Strong oxidizers, chromic anhydride, perchloric acids etc.
Hazardous Decomposition or Byproducts: Oxides of carbon
Hazardous Polymerization: Does not occur *Conditions to Avoid:* Excessive heat, sparks or flames

Section VI: HEALTH HAZARDS

Routes of Entry: Inhalation, Skin and Ingestion
Acute: Vapors may cause eyes, skin and respiratory irritation, drowsiness, nausea, headache and vomiting.
Chronic: May cause liver, heart and kidney damage. May cause gastrointestinal disturbances and convulsions.
Carcinogenicity: Not classified as a human carcinogen.
Signs/Symptoms of Exposure: Vision blurring, drowsiness and headache.

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Section VI: HEALTH HAZARDS

Emergency First Aid:

Skin: Remove contaminated clothing. Wash affected area with soap and water.

Eyes: Thoroughly flush eyes with water. Contact a physician if irritation persists.

Ingestion: Rinse mouth thoroughly with water, provide person is conscious and contact a physician.

Inhalation: Remove person to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration and contact physician.

Section VII: SAFE HANDLING

Chemical Release or Spill: Eliminate source of ignition in the vicinity of the spill or released vapor. Isolate the spill area with sand, or other absorbent material. Place all contaminated material in close container for disposal.

Waste Disposal Method: All liquid and or contaminated material should be disposed of in DOT approved waste containers. Incineration for liquids is the suggest method of disposal. Comply with all Federal, State and Local regulations for disposal.

Precautions for Handling and Storing: Use precautions for flammable liquids. Avoid excessive heat and sources of ignition. For large quantities, store in flammable safety cabinet. Use in well-ventilated area.

Section VIII: CONTROL MEASURES

Respiratory Protection: Not normally required. If used in a poorly ventilated area use under an approved fume hood or NIOSH approved respirator.

Ventilation: Special flammable exhaust hood if vapor concentration is high. In well-ventilated areas, mechanical exhaust is sufficient.

Protective Gloves: Chemical resistant *Eye Protection:* Safety Glasses

Other Protective Clothing or Equipment: Normal laboratory apparel suggested by Good Laboratory Practices

Work/Hygienic Practices: Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling.

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