

### SECTION 1: Identification

#### 1.1. Identification

Product form	: Mixture
Trade name	: 10% FORMALIN AQUEOUS SOLUTION
Product code	: 25094G
Formula	: mixture

#### 1.2. Recommended use and restrictions on use

Recommended use	: Use as laboratory reagent, Manufacture of substances
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#### 1.3. Supplier

##### Supplier

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#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number	: 24-hour emergency phone number ChemTel 1-800-255-3924
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### SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

##### GHS US classification

Flammable liquids Category 3	Flammable liquid and vapor
Acute toxicity (oral) Category 4	Harmful if swallowed
Acute toxicity (dermal) Category 1	Fatal in contact with skin
Acute toxicity (inhalation) Category 4	Harmful if inhaled
Skin corrosion/irritation Category 2	Causes skin irritation
Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 1	Causes serious eye damage
Skin sensitization, Category 1	May cause an allergic skin reaction
Germ cell mutagenicity Category 2	Suspected of causing genetic defects
Carcinogenicity Category 2	Suspected of causing cancer
Hazardous to the aquatic environment – Acute Hazard Category 3	Harmful to aquatic life

#### 2.2. GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

##### GHS US labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS US)



Signal word (GHS US)

: Danger

Hazard statements (GHS US)

: Flammable liquid and vapor  
 Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled  
 Fatal in contact with skin  
 Causes skin irritation  
 May cause an allergic skin reaction  
 Causes serious eye damage  
 Suspected of causing genetic defects  
 Suspected of causing cancer  
 Harmful to aquatic life

Precautionary statements (GHS US)

: Obtain special instructions before use.  
 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.  
 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking  
 Keep container tightly closed.  
 Ground/Bond container and receiving equipment.  
 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment.

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### 2.3. Other hazards which do not result in classification

No additional information available

### 2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS US)

Not applicable

## SECTION 3: Composition/Information on ingredients

### 3.1. Substances

Not applicable

### 3.2. Mixtures

Name	Product identifier	%	GHS US classification
Formaldehyde	(CAS-No.) 50-00-0	0 – 5	Acute Tox. 3 (Oral), H301 Acute Tox. 3 (Dermal), H311 Acute Tox. 3 (Inhalation), H331 Skin Corr. 1B, H314 Eye Dam. 1, H318 Skin Sens. 1, H317 Muta. 2, H341 Carc. 1A, H350 STOT SE 3, H336 Aquatic Acute 2, H401

Full text of hazard classes and H-statements : see section 16

## SECTION 4: First-aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

- First-aid measures general : Call a physician immediately.
- First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a poison center/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
- First-aid measures after skin contact : Rinse skin with water/shower. Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Call a physician immediately.
- First-aid measures after eye contact : Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Call a physician immediately.
- First-aid measures after ingestion : Rinse mouth. Call a poison center/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects (acute and delayed)

- Symptoms/effects after skin contact : Irritation. May cause an allergic skin reaction.
- Symptoms/effects after eye contact : Serious damage to eyes. Mild eye irritation.

### 4.3. Immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary

Treat symptomatically.

## SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

### 5.1. Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray. Dry powder. Foam. Carbon dioxide.

### 5.2. Specific hazards arising from the chemical

- Fire hazard : Flammable liquid and vapor.
- Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire : Toxic fumes may be released.

### 5.3. Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

- Protection during firefighting : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. Self-contained breathing apparatus. Complete protective clothing.

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

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

#### 6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

- Emergency procedures : No open flames, no sparks, and no smoking. Only qualified personnel equipped with suitable protective equipment may intervene. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

#### 6.1.2. For emergency responders

- Protective equipment : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".

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### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment.

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

- For containment : Collect spillage.
- Methods for cleaning up : Take up liquid spill into absorbent material. Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters.
- Other information : Dispose of materials or solid residues at an authorized site.

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

For further information refer to section 13.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

- Precautions for safe handling : Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Ground/bond container and receiving equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Flammable vapors may accumulate in the container. Use explosion-proof equipment. Wear personal protective equipment. Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
- Hygiene measures : Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.

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

- Technical measures : Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
- Storage conditions : Store at room temp. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1. Control parameters

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No additional information available

#### Formaldehyde (50-00-0)

No additional information available

### 8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

- Appropriate engineering controls : Ensure good ventilation of the work station.
- Environmental exposure controls : Avoid release to the environment.

### 8.3. Individual protection measures/Personal protective equipment

#### Hand protection:

Protective gloves

#### Eye protection:

Safety glasses

#### Skin and body protection:

Wear suitable protective clothing

#### Respiratory protection:

[In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection.

Personal protective equipment symbol(s):



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### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

#### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	: Liquid
Appearance	: clear colorless liquid.
Color	: Colorless
Odor	: Mixture contains one or more component(s) which have the following odour:
Odor threshold	: No data available
pH	: 2.8
Melting point	: 12 °C
Freezing point	: No data available
Boiling point	: 205 °F
Flash point	: 150
Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1)	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: Not applicable.
Vapor pressure	: 1.3 mmHg at 20C
Relative vapor density at 20°C	: 1.04
Relative density	: No data available
Solubility	: No data available
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	: No data available
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Explosion limits	: No data available
Explosive properties	: No data available
Oxidizing properties	: No data available

#### 9.2. Other information

No additional information available

### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

#### 10.1. Reactivity

Flammable liquid and vapor.

#### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

#### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reactions known under normal conditions of use.

#### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid contact with hot surfaces. Heat. No flames, no sparks. Eliminate all sources of ignition.

#### 10.5. Incompatible materials

No additional information available

#### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

### SECTION 11: Toxicological information

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (oral)	: Harmful if swallowed.
Acute toxicity (dermal)	: Fatal in contact with skin.
Acute toxicity (inhalation)	: Harmful if inhaled.

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LD50 oral rat	800 mg/ 9100 mg/Kg
LD50 dermal rat	0

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LD50 dermal rabbit	270 mg/ 15840 mg/Kg
LC50 Inhalation - Rat	0
ATE US (oral)	800 mg/kg body weight
ATE US (dermal)	0 mg/kg body weight
ATE US (gases)	4500 ppmV/4h
ATE US (vapors)	0 mg/l/4h
ATE US (dust, mist)	0 mg/l/4h

Skin corrosion/irritation	: Causes skin irritation. pH: 2.8
Serious eye damage/irritation	: Causes serious eye damage. pH: 2.8
Respiratory or skin sensitization	: May cause an allergic skin reaction.
Germ cell mutagenicity	: Suspected of causing genetic defects.
Carcinogenicity	: Suspected of causing cancer.

Formaldehyde (50-00-0)	
IARC group	1 - Carcinogenic to humans
National Toxicity Program (NTP) Status	Known Human Carcinogens

Reproductive toxicity : Not classified

STOT-single exposure : Not classified

Formaldehyde (50-00-0)	
STOT-single exposure	May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

STOT-repeated exposure : Not classified

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

Viscosity, kinematic : No data available

Symptoms/effects after skin contact : Irritation. May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Symptoms/effects after eye contact : Serious damage to eyes. Mild eye irritation.

## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general : The product is not considered harmful to aquatic organisms or to cause long-term adverse effects in the environment. Harmful to aquatic life.

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

No additional information available

### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No additional information available

### 12.4. Mobility in soil

No additional information available

### 12.5. Other adverse effects

No additional information available

## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1. Disposal methods

Waste treatment methods : Dispose of contents/container in accordance with licensed collector's sorting instructions.

Additional information : Flammable vapors may accumulate in the container.

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### SECTION 14: Transport information

#### Department of Transportation (DOT)

In accordance with DOT

Packing group (DOT) : III - Minor Danger

Hazard labels (DOT) : 8 - Corrosive



Other information : No supplementary information available.

#### Transportation of Dangerous Goods

Not applicable

#### Transport by sea

Not applicable

#### Air transport

Not applicable

### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

#### 15.1. US Federal regulations

Formaldehyde (50-00-0)	
Listed on the United States TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) inventory Subject to reporting requirements of United States SARA Section 313 Listed on EPA Hazardous Air Pollutant (HAPS)	
CERCLA RQ	100 lb
RQ (Reportable quantity, section 304 of EPA's List of Lists)	100 lb
SARA Section 302 Threshold Planning Quantity (TPQ)	500 lb

#### 15.2. International regulations

##### CANADA

Formaldehyde (50-00-0)
Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

##### EU-Regulations

##### National regulations

Formaldehyde (50-00-0)
Listed on IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer) Listed as carcinogen on NTP (National Toxicology Program)

#### 15.3. US State regulations

Formaldehyde (50-00-0)					
U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Carcinogens List	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxicity	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Female	U.S. - California - Proposition 65 - Reproductive Toxicity - Male	No significant risk level (NSRL)	Maximum allowable dose level (MADL)
Yes	No	No	No	40 µg/day	

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Component	State or local regulations
Formaldehyde(50-00-0)	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

### SECTION 16: Other information

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#### Hazard Rating

- Health : 3 Serious Hazard - Major injury likely unless prompt action is taken and medical treatment is given
- Flammability : 3 Serious Hazard - Materials capable of ignition under almost all normal temperature conditions. Includes flammable liquids with flash points below 73 F and boiling points above 100 F. as well as liquids with flash points between 73 F and 100 F. (Classes IB IC)
- Physical : 2 Moderate Hazard - Materials that are unstable and may undergo violent chemical changes at normal temperature and pressure with low risk for explosion. Materials may react violently with water or form peroxides upon exposure to air.

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