

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Butyric acid

Product Number : B103500  
Brand : Aldrich

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

##### OSHA Hazards

Combustible Liquid, Target Organ Effect, Corrosive

##### Target Organs

Blood

##### GHS Classification

Flammable liquids (Category 4)  
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 5)  
Skin corrosion (Category 1B)  
Serious eye damage (Category 1)  
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3)

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

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H227 Combustible liquid  
H303 May be harmful if swallowed.  
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)

P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.  
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.

##### HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 3

**Chronic Health Hazard:** \*  
**Flammability:** 2  
**Physical hazards:** 0

**NFPA Rating**

**Health hazard:** 3  
**Fire:** 2  
**Reactivity Hazard:** 0

**Potential Health Effects**

**Inhalation** May be harmful if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.  
**Skin** May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.  
**Eyes** Causes eye burns.  
**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.

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**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Formula : C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>  
Molecular Weight : 88.11 g/mol

Component	Concentration
<b>Butyric acid</b>	
CAS-No. 107-92-6	-
EC-No. 203-532-3	
Index-No. 607-135-00-X	

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**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

**General advice**

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

**If inhaled**

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

**In case of skin contact**

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

**In case of eye contact**

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

**If swallowed**

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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**5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

**Conditions of flammability**

Flammable in the presence of a source of ignition when the temperature is above the flash point. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flame/hot surface. No smoking.

**Suitable extinguishing media**

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

**Special protective equipment for firefighters**

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

**Hazardous combustion products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

**Further information**

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

### **Personal precautions**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

### **Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

### **Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

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## **7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### **Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

### **Conditions for safe storage**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

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## **8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

### **Personal protective equipment**

#### **Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### **Hand protection**

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Full contact

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.3 mm

Break through time: > 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (Aldrich Z677647, Size M)

Splash protection

Material: Nature latex/chloroprene

Minimum layer thickness: 0.6 mm

Break through time: > 30 min

Material tested: Lapren® (Aldrich Z677558, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374  
If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an Industrial Hygienist familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

#### **Eye protection**

Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### **Skin and body protection**

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

#### **Hygiene measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

Form clear, liquid  
Colour colourless

### Safety data

pH 3 at 10 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)  
Melting point/freezing point Melting point/range: -7 - -5 °C (19 - 23 °F)  
Boiling point 164 °C (327 °F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)  
Flash point 72 °C (162 °F) - closed cup  
Ignition temperature 440 °C (824 °F)  
Autoignition temperature no data available  
Lower explosion limit 2 %(V)  
Upper explosion limit 10 %(V)  
Vapour pressure 0.57 hPa (0.43 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)  
Density 0.958 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Water solubility ca.50 g/l  
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water log Pow: 0.79  
Relative vapour density 3.04  
- (Air = 1.0)  
Odour Stench.  
Odour Threshold no data available  
Evaporation rate no data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

### Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks.

### Materials to avoid

Strong oxidizing agents

### Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides  
Other decomposition products - no data available

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity

#### Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - rat - 2,940 mg/kg

#### Inhalation LC50

no data available

**Dermal LD50**

LD50 Dermal - rabbit - 6,083 mg/kg

**Other information on acute toxicity**

no data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - rabbit - Corrosive

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

no data available

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

no data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

Genotoxicity in vitro - Human - HeLa cell  
DNA damage

Genotoxicity in vitro - Human - lymphocyte  
DNA inhibition

**Carcinogenicity**

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

**Reproductive toxicity**

no data available

**Teratogenicity**

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

no data available

**Aspiration hazard**

no data available

**Potential health effects**

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- Skin** May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.
- Eyes** Causes eye burns.

**Signs and Symptoms of Exposure**

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., Cough, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea

**Synergistic effects**

no data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: ES5425000

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish LC0 - Leuciscus idus melanotus - 96 mg/l - 48 h  
Toxicity to daphnia EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 61.7 mg/l - 24 h  
and other aquatic  
invertebrates

**Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability Biotic/Aerobic  
Biotic/Aerobic

**Bioaccumulative potential**

no data available

**Mobility in soil**

no data available

**PBT and vPvB assessment**

no data available

**Other adverse effects**

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Harmful to aquatic life.

Avoid release to the environment.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****Product**

This combustible material may be burned in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION****DOT (US)**

UN number: 2820 Class: 8 Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Butyric acid  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 5000 lbs  
Marine pollutant: No  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**

UN number: 2820 Class: 8 Packing group: III EMS-No: F-A, S-B  
Proper shipping name: BUTYRIC ACID  
Marine pollutant: No

**IATA**

UN number: 2820 Class: 8 Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Butyric acid

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION****OSHA Hazards**

Combustible Liquid, Target Organ Effect, Corrosive

**SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Butyric acid	107-92-6	1993-04-24

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Butyric acid	107-92-6	1993-04-24

**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Butyric acid	107-92-6	1993-04-24

**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION****Further information**

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