

# SAFETY DATA SHEET



## Petroleum Ether

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#### SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Petroleum Ether

MSDS Number : 000000011702

Product Use Description : Solvent

Manufactured for : VWR International LLC  
Radnor Corporate Center  
Building One  
Suite 200  
100 Matsonford Road  
Radnor PA 19087

For more information call : (Monday-Friday, 8.00am-5:00pm)  
1-800-932-5000

In case of emergency call : (24 hours/day, 7 days/week)  
1-800-424-9300(USA Only)  
**For Transportation Emergencies:**  
1-800-424-9300 (CHEMTREC - Domestic)  
1-613-996-6666 (CANUTEC - Canada)

#### SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

##### Emergency Overview

Form : liquid, clear

Color : colourless

Odor : hydrocarbon-like

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**Classification of the substance or mixture**

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Acute toxicity, Category 4, Inhalation  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure, Category 3,  
Central nervous system  
Aspiration hazard, Category 1

**GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements**

Symbol(s)



Signal word

: Danger

Hazard statements

: Highly flammable liquid and vapour.  
May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.  
Harmful if inhaled.  
May cause drowsiness and dizziness.

Precautionary statements

: **Prevention:**  
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.  
Keep container tightly closed.  
Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.  
Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.  
Use only non-sparking tools.  
Take precautionary measures against static discharge.  
Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.  
Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.

**Response:**

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.  
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.  
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

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Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.  
Do NOT induce vomiting.  
In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction.

#### Storage:

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.  
Keep cool.  
Store locked up.

#### Disposal:

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local, state & federal regulations.

#### Carcinogenicity

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, IARC, or OSHA.

## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical nature : Substance

Chemical Name	CAS-No.	Concentration
Petroleum Ether	8032-32-4	100.00 %

## SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation : Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Use oxygen as required, provided a qualified operator is present. Call a physician.

Skin contact : Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Call a physician.

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Eye contact : Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician.

Ingestion : Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. If a person vomits when lying on his back, place him in the recovery position. Call a physician immediately. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

**Notes to physician**

Treatment : Treat symptomatically.

**SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Suitable extinguishing media : Foam  
Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)  
Dry chemical  
Cool closed containers exposed to fire with water spray.

Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.

Specific hazards during firefighting : Extremely flammable.  
Vapours may form explosive mixtures with air.  
Vapours are heavier than air and may spread along floors.  
Vapors may travel to areas away from work site before igniting/flashing back to vapor source.  
In case of fire hazardous decomposition products may be produced such as:  
Carbon monoxide  
Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

Special protective equipment for firefighters : Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit.

**SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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- Personal precautions : Wear personal protective equipment.  
Immediately evacuate personnel to safe areas.  
Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Remove all sources of ignition.  
Do not swallow.  
Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas.  
Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.
- Environmental precautions : Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.  
Prevent product from entering drains.  
Discharge into the environment must be avoided.  
Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.  
Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.
- Methods for cleaning up : Ventilate the area.  
No sparking tools should be used.  
Use explosion-proof equipment.  
Contain spillage, soak up with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and transfer to a container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13).

**SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****Handling**

- Handling : Wear personal protective equipment.  
Use only in well-ventilated areas.  
Keep container tightly closed.  
Do not smoke.  
Do not swallow.  
Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas.  
Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.
- Advice on protection against fire and explosion : Keep away from fire, sparks and heated surfaces.  
Take precautionary measures against static discharges.  
Ensure all equipment is electrically grounded before beginning transfer operations.  
Use explosion-proof equipment.

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Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.  
No sparking tools should be used.  
No smoking.

**Storage**

Requirements for storage areas and containers : Store in area designed for storage of flammable liquids. Protect from physical damage.  
Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.  
Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.  
Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.  
Keep away from direct sunlight.  
Store away from incompatible substances.  
Container hazardous when empty.  
Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind or expose containers to heat or sources of ignition.

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

Protective measures : Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Engineering measures : Use with local exhaust ventilation.  
Prevent vapour buildup by providing adequate ventilation during and after use.

Eye protection : Do not wear contact lenses.  
Wear as appropriate:  
Safety glasses with side-shields  
If splashes are likely to occur, wear:  
Goggles or face shield, giving complete protection to eyes

Hand protection : Solvent-resistant gloves  
Gloves must be inspected prior to use.  
Replace when worn.

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- Skin and body protection : Wear as appropriate:  
Solvent-resistant apron  
Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing.  
If splashes are likely to occur, wear:  
Protective suit
- Respiratory protection : In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment.  
For rescue and maintenance work in storage tanks use self-contained breathing apparatus.  
Use NIOSH approved respiratory protection.
- Hygiene measures : When using, do not eat, drink or smoke.  
Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.  
Keep working clothes separately.  
Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use.  
Do not swallow.  
Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas.  
Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

**Exposure Guidelines**

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Update	Basis
Petroleum Ether	8032-32-4	REL : Recomm ended exposure limit (REL):	350 mg/m3	2005	NIOSH/GUIDE:US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards
Petroleum Ether	8032-32-4	Ceil_Tim e : Ceiling Limit Value and Time Period (if specified) :	1,800 mg/m3	2005	NIOSH/GUIDE:US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

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Petroleum Ether	8032-32-4	STEL : Short term exposure limit	1,800 mg/m3 (400 ppm)	1989	Z1A:US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000)
Petroleum Ether	8032-32-4	TWA : time weighted average	1,350 mg/m3 (300 ppm)	1989	Z1A:US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000)

## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical state	: liquid, clear
Color	: colourless
Odor	: hydrocarbon-like
pH	: Note: Not applicable
Melting point/freezing point	: < -73 °C
Boiling point/boiling range	: 35 - 60 °C
Flash point	: 0 °F (-18 °C) Method: closed cup
Evaporation rate	: > 10 Method: Compared to Butyl acetate.
Lower explosion limit	: 1 %(V)
Upper explosion limit	: 5.9 %(V)



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Vapor pressure	: 53.33 hPa at 20 °C(68 °F)
Vapor density	: 2.5 Note: (Air = 1.0)
Density	: 0.64 g/cm3 at 20 °C
Water solubility	: 0.004 g/l at 20 °C
Ignition temperature	: 288 °C

**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Chemical stability	: Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	: Hazardous polymerisation does not occur.
Conditions to avoid	: Heat, flames and sparks. Keep away from direct sunlight.
Incompatible materials to avoid	: Acids Bases Oxidizing agents May attack many plastics, rubbers and coatings.
Hazardous decomposition products	: In case of fire hazardous decomposition products may be produced such as: Carbon monoxide Carbon dioxide (CO2)

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#### SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute inhalation toxicity : LC50: 3400 ppm  
Exposure time: 4 h  
Species: Rat

#### SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

##### Further information on ecology

Additional ecological information : Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.  
The product can be accumulated in water organisms.

#### SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal methods : Dispose of contents/ container in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

#### SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**DOT** UN/ID No. : UN 1268  
Proper shipping name : Petroleum distillates, n.o.s.  
Class : 3  
Packing group : II  
Hazard Labels : 3

**IATA** UN/ID No. : UN 1268  
Description of the goods : Petroleum distillates, n.o.s.  
Class : 3

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Packaging group	: II
Hazard Labels	: 3
Packing instruction (cargo aircraft)	: 364
Packing instruction (passenger aircraft)	: 353
Packing instruction (passenger aircraft)	: Y341

<b>IMDG</b>	UN/ID No.	: UN 1268
	Description of the goods	: Petroleum distillates, n.o.s.
	Class	: 3
	Packaging group	: II
	Hazard Labels	: 3
	EmS Number	: F-E, S-E
	Marine pollutant	: no

## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### Inventories

US. Toxic Substances Control Act : On TSCA Inventory

Australia. Industrial Chemical (Notification and Assessment) Act : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

Canada. Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA). Domestic Substances List (DSL) : All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL.

Japan. Kashin-Hou Law List : Not in compliance with the inventory

Korea. Toxic Chemical Control Law (TCCL) List : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

Philippines. The Toxic Substances and Hazardous and Nuclear Waste Control : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

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China. Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

New Zealand. Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC), as published by ERMA New Zealand : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

#### National regulatory information

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

**SARA 313 Components** : 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

**California Prop. 65** : This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

**New Jersey RTK** : Petroleum Ether 8032-32-4

**Pennsylvania RTK** : Petroleum Ether 8032-32-4

**WHMIS Classification** : B2: Flammable liquid  
D2B: Toxic Material Causing Other Toxic Effects

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This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the CPR and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

#### SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

	HMIS III	NFPA
Health hazard	: 2*	1
Flammability	: 4	4
Physical Hazard	: 0	
Instability	:	0

\* - Chronic health hazard

Hazard rating and rating systems (e.g. HMIS® III, NFPA): This information is intended solely for the use of individuals trained in the particular system.

#### Further information

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