



SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier	2-Butanol
Other means of identification	
Catalog number	1081829
CAS number	78-92-2
Synonyms	sec-Butyl alcohol * 2-Hydroxybutane * Butan-2-ol
Chemical name	2-Butanol
Recommended use	For analytical laboratory use only.
Recommended restrictions	Not for use as a drug. Not for administration to humans or animals.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Manufacturer

Company name	U. S. Pharmacopeia
Address	12601 Twinbrook Parkway Rockville MD 20852-1790 United States
Telephone	Customer Service 301-881-0666
Website	www.usp.org
E-mail	RSTECH@usp.org
Emergency phone number	CHEMTREC within US & 1-800-424-9300 Canada CHEMTREC outside US & +1 703-527-3887 Canada

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards	Flammable liquids	Category 3
Health hazards	Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2A
	Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure	Category 3 respiratory tract irritation
	Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure	Category 3 narcotic effects
Environmental hazards	Not classified.	
OSHA defined hazards	Not classified.	
Label elements		



Signal word	Warning
Hazard statement	Flammable liquid and vapor. Causes serious eye irritation. May cause respiratory irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
Precautionary statement	
Prevention	Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. Keep container tightly closed. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Avoid breathing mist or vapor. Wash thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
Response	If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a poison center/doctor if you feel unwell. If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention. In case of fire: Use appropriate media to extinguish.

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/regional/national/international regulations.
Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)	None known.
Supplemental information	None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
2-Butanol	sec-Butyl alcohol 2-Hydroxybutane Butan-2-ol	78-92-2	100

Information provided in the SDS is not specific to the lot provided. Refer to the label and USP Certificate/Product Information Sheet for the assigned value of a particular lot.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation	If breathing is difficult, remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Induce artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Oxygen or artificial respiration if needed. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if the substance is inhaled. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.
Skin contact	Rinse skin with water/shower. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
Eye contact	Rinse with water. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, call a poison control center immediately.
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed	None known.
Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed	Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.
General information	Remove from exposure. Remove contaminated clothing. For treatment advice, seek guidance from an occupational health physician or other licensed health-care provider familiar with workplace chemical exposures. In the United States, the national poison control center phone number is 1-800-222-1222. If person is not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen if available. Persons developing serious hypersensitivity (anaphylactic) reactions must receive immediate medical attention.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO2).
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	By heating and fire, harmful vapors/gases may be formed.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.
Fire fighting equipment/instructions	In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk.
Specific methods	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.
General fire hazards	Flammable liquid and vapor.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	Keep unnecessary personnel away. ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Avoid inhalation of vapors. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	Absorb spillage with suitable absorbent material. Remove sources of ignition. Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc.) away from spilled material. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.
Environmental precautions	Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

As a general rule, when handling USP materials, avoid all contact and inhalation of dust, mists, and/or vapors associated with the material. Clean equipment and work surfaces with suitable detergent or solvent after use. After removing gloves, wash hands and other exposed skin thoroughly. Select and use containment devices and personal protective equipment based on a risk assessment of material potency and exposure potential.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in tight container. This material should be handled and stored per label instructions to ensure product integrity.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits

The following constituents are the only constituents of the product which have a PEL, TLV or other recommended exposure limit. At this time, the other constituents have no known exposure limits.

US. OSHA Table Z-1 Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Material	Type	Value
2-Butanol (CAS 78-92-2)	PEL	450 mg/m3
		150 ppm

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)

Material	Type	Value
2-Butanol (CAS 78-92-2)	TWA	100 ppm

NIOSH. Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health (IDLH) Values, as amended

Material	Type	Value
2-Butanol (CAS 78-92-2)	IDLH	2000 ppm

US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards Recommended Exposure Limits (REL)

Material	Type	Value
2-Butanol (CAS 78-92-2)	STEL	455 mg/m3
		150 ppm
	TWA	305 mg/m3
		100 ppm

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Appropriate engineering controls

For laboratory operations, use good technique and limit open handling. Control exposures to below the occupational exposure level (if available). Select and use containment devices and personal protective equipment based on a risk assessment of exposure potential. Cover all containers for solutions and slurries while being transferred.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Wear safety glasses with side shields, chemical splash goggles, or full face shield, if necessary. Base the choice of protection on the job activity and potential for contact with eyes or face. An emergency eye wash station should be available.

Skin protection

Hand protection

Wear nitrile or other impervious gloves if skin contact is possible. When the material is dissolved or suspended in an organic solvent, wear gloves that provide protection against the solvent.

Other

Wear lab coat. Base the choice of skin protection on the job activity, potential for skin contact and solvents and reagents in use. Do not wear protective garments in common areas (e.g., cafeterias) or out-of-doors.

Respiratory protection

Respirators are generally not required for laboratory operations. Choose respiratory protection appropriate to the task and the level of existing engineering controls.

Thermal hazards

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

General hygiene considerations

Handling practices in this SDS are recommendations for laboratory use of USP materials.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Appearance descriptions are general information and not specific to any USP lot.

Physical state

Liquid.

Form

Liquid.

Color

Clear. Colorless.

Odor	Sweet. Fruity.
Odor threshold	Not available.
pH	Not available.
Melting point/freezing point	> -128.2 - < -175 °F (> -89 - < -115 °C)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	Not available.
Flash point	Not available.
Evaporation rate	1.3 (Butyl acetate = 1)
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not applicable.
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	
Explosive limit - lower (%)	Not available.
Explosive limit - upper (%)	Not available.
Vapor pressure	12 mm Hg at 20 °C
Vapor density	2.6 (air=1)
Relative density	Not available.
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	Very soluble.
Solubility (other)	Acetone: Very soluble. Ethanol: Miscible. Ethyl ether: Miscible.
Auto-ignition temperature	Not available.
Decomposition temperature	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.
Other information	
Chemical family	Alcohol.
Dynamic viscosity	0.42 mPa.s (212 °F (100 °C))
Heat of combustion (NFPA 30B)	39.9 kJ/g
Molecular formula	C4H10O
Molecular weight	74.12
Surface tension	23 mN/m (68 °F (20 °C))

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
Chemical stability	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Conditions to avoid	Contact with incompatible materials. Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.
Incompatible materials	Strong acids. Strong oxidizing agents. Aluminum. Isocyanates. Organic peroxides. Aliphatic amines. Chromium trioxide. Perchloric acid. Permonosulfuric acid.
Hazardous decomposition products	Irritating and/or toxic fumes or gases. Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	Vapors have a narcotic effect and may cause headache, fatigue, dizziness and nausea.
Skin contact	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.
Eye contact	Causes serious eye irritation.
Ingestion	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics	May cause respiratory irritation. Gastrointestinal disturbances. Headache. Unconsciousness. Sore throat. Cough. Central nervous system effects.
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Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

Product	Species	Test Results
2-Butanol (CAS 78-92-2)		
Acute		
Dermal		
LD50	Rat	> 2000 mg/kg
Inhalation		
LC50	Rat	48.5 mg/l/4h
Oral		
LD50	Rat	6200 mg/kg 2193 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Causes serious eye irritation.

Local effects

Eye irritation
Result: Moderate.
Species: Rabbit
Eye irritation, 0.1 ml
Result: Irritant.
Species: Rabbit
Skin irritation, 0.5 ml
Result: Negative.
Species: Rabbit

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Respiratory sensitization

Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.

Skin sensitization

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Maximisation Test, 0.5 ml
Result: Not sensitizing.
Species: Guinea pig

Germ cell mutagenicity

Knowledge about mutagenicity is incomplete.

Mutagenicity

Ames test (Salmonella typhimurium)
Result: Negative.
Mutagenicity, Chromosomal aberration in CHO cells
Result: Negative.
Mutagenicity, E. coli assay
Result: Negative.
Mutagenicity, Yeast mitotic gene conversion
Result: Negative.

Carcinogenicity

Knowledge about carcinogenicity is incomplete.

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Not listed.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed.

US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

Not listed.

Reproductive toxicity

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Reproductivity

< 7000 ppm Reproduction test
Result: Negative: No teratogenicity observed except for slight reduction in fetal weight.
Species: Rat
1644 mg/kg/day Two-generation reproductive toxicity
Result: Negative.
Species: Rat

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure May cause respiratory irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.

Aspiration hazard Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Product	Species	Test Results
2-Butanol (CAS 78-92-2)		
Aquatic		
<i>Acute</i>		
Crustacea	EC50	Water flea (Daphnia magna) 1859 - 7143 mg/l, 48 hours
Fish	LC50	Fathead minnow (Pimephales promelas) 3380 - 3990 mg/l, 96 hours

Persistence and degradability No data is available on the degradability of this substance.

Bioaccumulative potential

Mobility in soil No data available.

Other adverse effects The product contains volatile organic compounds which have a photochemical ozone creation potential.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Under RCRA, it is the responsibility of the user of the product to determine, at the time of disposal, whether the product meets RCRA criteria for hazardous waste.

Local disposal regulations Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

Hazardous waste code D001: Waste Flammable material with a flash point <140 F
The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.

Waste from residues / unused products Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).

Contaminated packaging Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN number	UN1120
UN proper shipping name	Butanols
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class	3
Subsidiary risk	-
Packing group	III
Environmental hazards	
Marine pollutant	No.

IATA

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UN proper shipping name	Butanols
Transport hazard class(es)	
Class	3
Subsidiary risk	-
Packing group	III
Other information	
Passenger and cargo aircraft	Allowed with restrictions.
Cargo aircraft only	Allowed with restrictions.

Transport in bulk according to
Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and
the IBC Code

Not established.

DOT



IATA



General information

It is the shipper's responsibility to determine the correct transport classification at the time of shipment.

15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

2-Butanol (CAS 78-92-2)

Listed.

SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Not regulated.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous
chemical

Yes

Classified hazard
categories

Flammable (gases, aerosols, liquids, or solids)
Serious eye damage or eye irritation
Specific target organ toxicity (single or repeated exposure)

SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Chemical name	CAS number	% by wt.
2-Butanol	78-92-2	100

Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) Not regulated.

US state regulations

California Proposition 65

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AICIS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
Taiwan	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

*A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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