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## Section 1 - Identification

**Product Name** Tetrahydrofuran

<b>Product Code</b>	ACR16424, ACR17663, ACR18150, ACR22216, ACR26829, ACR32697, ACR34845, ACR44640, ACR44836, ACR450530, AJA2317, AJA3465, AJA3517, AJA540, BSPTF361, FSBBP1140, FSBT/0700, FSBT/0701, FSBT/0702, FSBT/0706, FSBT/07097, FSBT425, FSBT427, LCNA3516S, LCNC2520, THCTS-27860
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**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

- 3.1B - Flammable liquids: high hazard
- 6.1D - Substances that are acutely toxic (Oral)
- 6.3A - Substances that are irritating to the skin
- 6.4A - Substances that are irritating to the eye
- 6.7B - Substances that are suspected human carcinogens
- 6.9B - Substances that are harmful to human target organs or systems
- 6.1E - Substances that are acutely toxic (Inhalation)
- 9.3C - Substances that are harmful to terrestrial vertebrates

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### GHS Classification

#### Physical hazards

Flammable liquids Category 2

#### Health hazards

Acute Oral Toxicity	Category 4
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Carcinogenicity	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)	Category 3

**Environmental hazards****Label Elements****Signal Word****Danger****Hazard Statements**

H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor  
 H302 - Harmful if swallowed  
 H315 - Causes skin irritation  
 H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
 H351 - Suspected of causing cancer  
 H336 - May cause drowsiness or dizziness  
 H335 - May cause respiratory irritation  
 H433 - Harmful to terrestrial vertebrates

**Precautionary Statements**

P201 - Obtain special instructions before use  
 P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
 P210 - Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking  
 P233 - Keep container tightly closed  
 P240 - Ground/bond container and receiving equipment  
 P242 - Use non-sparking tools  
 P243 - Take precautionary measures against static discharge  
 P261 - Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
 P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
 P280 - Wear eye protection/ face protection  
 P301 + P312 - IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell  
 P303 + P361 + P353 - IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower  
 P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing  
 P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
 P308 + P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention  
 P330 - Rinse mouth  
 P370 + P378 - In case of fire: Use CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical or foam for extinction  
 P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
 P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other information**

No information available  
 May form explosive peroxides

**Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Tetrahydrofuran	109-99-9	100

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids. Consult a physician.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.
<b>First Aid Facilities</b>	Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	Difficulty in breathing. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.

### Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

#### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Flammable. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back.

#### Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

### Emergency procedures

Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

### Environmental Precautions

See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

### Reference to Other Sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

### Precautions for Safe Handling

If peroxide formation is suspected, do not open or move container. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use only non-sparking tools. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

### Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

Containers should be dated when opened and tested periodically for the presence of peroxides. Should crystals form in a peroxidizable liquid, peroxidation may have occurred and the product should be considered extremely dangerous. In this instance, the container should only be opened remotely by professionals. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

AS 1940-2004 - The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids does not apply to this product. It is covered by the ADG Code Class 3 exclusion clause (i.e. SP No 144 An aqueous solution containing not more than 24% alcohol by volume is not subject to the ADG Code, AS1940 section 1.2). Refer to AS1940 to ensure compliance of individual storage and handling facilities.

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

### Exposure limits

NZ - Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor

Component	New Zealand WEL
Tetrahydrofuran	TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 295 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin

### Biological limit values

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

Component	New Zealand
Tetrahydrofuran	2 mg/g creatinine (urine) end of exposure or shift, within 1 hour of end of exposure (THF)

### Engineering Measures

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye Protection

Goggles (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)

#### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	AUS/NZ Standard	Glove comments
Viton (R), Butyl rubber.	See manufacturers recommendations	-	AS/NZS 2161.1	(minimum requirement)
Neoprene gloves				

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

#### Skin and body protection

Long sleeved clothing

#### Respiratory Protection

Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices

#### Recommended Filter type:

Organic gases and vapours filter Type A Brown conforming to EN14387 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

#### Recommended half mask:-

Valve filtering: EN405 or Half mask: EN140 plus filter, EN 141 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)  
When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

### Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	Colourless	
<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid	
<b>Odor</b>	No information available	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	Not applicable	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	-108.5 °C / -163.3 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	66 °C / 150.8 °F	
<b>Flash Point</b>	-14 °C / 6.8 °F	<b>Method</b> - No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No data available	
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable	Liquid
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	No data available	(Air = 1.0)
<b>Specific Gravity / Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	Not applicable	Liquid
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Insoluble in water	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Component</b>	<b>log Pow</b>	
Tetrahydrofuran	0.45	
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	No data available	
<b>Explosive Properties</b>	No information available	Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air
<b>Oxidizing Properties</b>	No information available	
<b>Other information</b>		
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O	
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	72.11	

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	None under normal use conditions.
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	No information available.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Information on Toxicological Effects

**Product Information**  
(a) acute toxicity;

**Oral** Category 4  
**Dermal** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
**Inhalation** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Tetrahydrofuran	1650 mg/kg ( Rat )	> 2000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	180 mg/L ( Rat ) 1 h 53.9 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Category 2

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**

**Respiratory** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
**Skin** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	Test method	Test species	Study result
Tetrahydrofuran 109-99-9 ( 100 )	Local Lymph Node Assay OECD Test Guideline 429	mouse	non-sensitising

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	Test method	Test species	Study result
Tetrahydrofuran 109-99-9 ( 100 )	OECD Test Guideline 476 Gene cell mutation	in vivo Mammalian	negative
	OECD Test Guideline 473 Chromosomal aberration assay	in vitro Mammalian	negative

**(f) carcinogenicity;** Category 2

Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect

Component	Australia	New Zealand	New South Wales	Western Australia	IARC	EU	UK	Germany
Tetrahydrofuran		Suspected carcinogen			Group 2B			

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	Test method	Test species / Duration	Study result
Tetrahydrofuran 109-99-9 ( 100 )	OECD Test Guideline 416	Rat 2 Generation	NOAEL = 3,000 ppm

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** Category 3

**Results / Target organs** Respiratory system  
Central nervous system (CNS)

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Target Organs** None known.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

### Ecotoxicity effects

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Tetrahydrofuran	2160 mg/l LC50 = 96 h Pimephales promelas Leuciscus idus: LC50: 2820 mg/L/48h	EC50 48 h 3485 mg/l EC50: >10000 mg/L/24h		

### Persistence and Degradability

**Persistence** Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

**Bioaccumulative Potential** Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Tetrahydrofuran	0.45	No data available

**Mobility** The product contains volatile organic compounds (VOC) which will evaporate easily from all surfaces. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility. Disperses rapidly in air

#### Endocrine Disruptor Information

Component	EU - Endocrine Disruptors Candidate List	EU - Endocrine Disruptors - Evaluated Substances	Japan - Endocrine Disruptor Information
Tetrahydrofuran	Group III Chemical		

**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

**Waste from Residues/Unused Products** Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure conformity with all applicable regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging** Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**Other Information** Disposal agencies or waste contractors must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations . Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not flush to sewer. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

#### IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN2056  
 Proper Shipping Name TETRAHYDROFURAN  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Packing Group II

#### NZS 5433:2012

UN-No UN2056  
 Proper Shipping Name TETRAHYDROFURAN  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Packing Group II

Component	Hazchem Code
Tetrahydrofuran 109-99-9 ( 100 )	2YE

#### IATA

UN-No UN2056  
 Proper Shipping Name TETRAHYDROFURAN  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Packing Group II

**Environmental hazards** No hazards identified

**Special Precautions** No special precautions required

**Additional information** None known

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

### Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Component	HSNO Approval Number
Tetrahydrofuran	HSR001224

### International Inventories X = listed

Component	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	IECSC	KECL
Tetrahydrofuran	X	X	203-726-8	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	KE-33454

**Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements** Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licencing requirements when they apply.

Component	New Zealand
Tetrahydrofuran	Suspected carcinogen

## Section 16 - Other Information

This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations

### Legend

<b>AICS</b> - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances	<b>NZIoC</b> - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
<b>TSCA</b> - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory	<b>EINECS/ELINCS</b> - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances
<b>DSL/NDSL</b> - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List	<b>ENCS</b> - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances
<b>IECSC</b> - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	<b>KECL</b> - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
<b>PICCS</b> - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances	<b>CAS</b> - Chemical Abstracts Service
<b>TWA</b> - Time Weighted Average	<b>ACGIH</b> - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)
<b>IARC</b> - International Agency for Research on Cancer	<b>IMO/MDG</b> - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
<b>ICAO/IATA</b> - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association	<b>ADG</b> Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
<b>MARPOL</b> - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	<b>OECD</b> - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>NZS 5433:2012</b> - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land	<b>LC50</b> - Lethal Concentration 50%
<b>LD50</b> - Lethal Dose 50%	<b>ATE</b> - Acute Toxicity Estimate
<b>EC50</b> - Effective Concentration 50%	<b>RPE</b> - Respiratory Protective Equipment
<b>WEL</b> - Workplace Exposure Limit	<b>NOEC</b> - No Observed Effect Concentration
<b>DNEL</b> - Derived No Effect Level	<b>BCF</b> - Bioconcentration factor
<b>POW</b> - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water	<b>PBT</b> - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic
<b>vPvB</b> - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative	
<b>VOC</b> (volatile organic compound)	

### Key literature references and sources for data

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

### Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

Chemical incident response training.

Fire prevention and fighting, identifying hazards and risks, static electricity, explosive atmospheres posed by vapours and dusts.

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