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## Section 1 - Identification

**Product Name** Ethylbenzene

<b>Product Code</b>	ACR38393, ACR38394, ACR39079, ACR39693, ACR42268, ALF019402
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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)
- 6.1E - Substances that are acutely toxic
- 6.1D - Substances that are acutely toxic (Dermal)
- 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
- 6.8B - Substances that are suspected human reproductive or developmental toxicants
- 6.9B - Substances that are harmful to human target organs or systems
- 9.1D - Substances that are slightly harmful in the aquatic environment or are otherwise designed for biocidal action
- 9.3C - Substances that are harmful to terrestrial vertebrates

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### GHS Classification

#### Physical hazards

Flammable liquids Category 2

#### Health hazards

Aspiration Toxicity	Category 2
Acute Oral Toxicity	Category 4
Acute Dermal Toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors	Category 4
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2

Carcinogenicity  
Reproductive Toxicity

Category 2  
Category 2

#### Environmental hazards

Chronic aquatic toxicity

Category 4

#### Label Elements



Signal Word

Danger

#### **Hazard Statements**

H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor  
H302 - Harmful if swallowed  
H305 - May be harmful if swallowed and enters airways  
H312 - Harmful in contact with skin  
H315 - Causes skin irritation  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H351 - Suspected of causing cancer  
H361 - Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child  
H413 - May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life  
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  
P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
P280 - Wear eye protection/ face protection  
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  
P312 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell  
P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse  
P370 + P378 - In case of fire: Use CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical or foam for extinction  
P403 + P235 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool  
P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### **Other information**

No information available

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
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Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	1330-20-7	>95
Ethylbenzene	100-41-4	<4

## 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. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: 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

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

### 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

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

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
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	TWA: 50 ppm TWA: 217 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Ethylbenzene	TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 434 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 125 ppm STEL: 543 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### Biological limit values

**NZ** - Substances assigned Biological Exposure Indices in the New Zealand Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor

Component	New Zealand
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	1.5 g/L (urine) end of shift (Methylhippuric acid)
Ethylbenzene	0.25 g/g creatinine (urine) end of shift or end of work week (sum of Mandelic acid and Phenylglyoxylic acids)

#### Engineering Measures

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

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or 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).	See manufacturers recommendations	-	AS/NZS 2161.1	(minimum requirement)

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

<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.
<b>Environmental exposure controls</b>	Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	Colorless	
<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>	-34 °C / -29.2 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	136 - 140 °C / 276.8 - 284 °F	
<b>Flash Point</b>	21 °C / 69.8 °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>	
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	3.15	
Ethylbenzene	3.2	
<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>	C8 H10	
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	106.17	

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

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	LD50 = 3500 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 > 4350 mg/kg ( Rabbit ) LD50 > 1700 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	29.08 mg/L [MOE Risk Assessment Vol.1, 2002]
Ethylbenzene	3500 mg/kg ( Rat )	15400 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	17.2 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 2

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;  
 Respiratory No data available  
 Skin No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	Australia	New Zealand	New South Wales	Western Australia	IARC	EU	UK	Germany
Ethylbenzene					Group 2B			

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs No information available.  
 (j) aspiration hazard; No data available

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

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

### Ecotoxicity effects

The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Contains a substance which is: Toxic to aquatic organisms.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	LC50: 30.26 - 40.75 mg/L, 96h static (Poecilia reticulata) LC50: 2.661 - 4.093 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: = 13.4 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas) LC50: > 780 mg/L, 96h (Cyprinus carpio) LC50: = 780 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Cyprinus carpio)	EC50: = 3.82 mg/L, 48h (water flea) LC50: = 0.6 mg/L, 48h (Gammarus lacustris)		EC50 = 0.0084 mg/L 24 h

	LC50: 23.53 - 29.97 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: 7.711 - 9.591 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: = 19 mg/L, 96h (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 13.1 - 16.5 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 13.5 - 17.3 mg/L, 96h (Oncorhynchus mykiss)			
Ethylbenzene	LC50: 11.0 - 18.0 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: = 32 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 7.55 - 11 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 4.2 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: 9.1 - 15.6 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 9.6 mg/L, 96h static (Poecilia reticulata)	EC50: 1.8 - 2.4 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)	EC50: 1.7 - 7.6 mg/L, 96h static (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: 2.6 - 11.3 mg/L, 72h static (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: > 438 mg/L, 96h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) EC50: = 4.6 mg/L, 72h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata)	EC50 = 9.68 mg/L 30 min EC50 = 96 mg/L 24 h

**Persistence and Degradability****Persistence**

Persistence is unlikely.

**Degradation in sewage treatment plant**

Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

**Bioaccumulative Potential**

Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	3.15	0.6 - 15
Ethylbenzene	3.2	15

**Mobility**

Spillage unlikely to penetrate soil. The product contains volatile organic compounds (VOC) which will evaporate easily from all surfaces. Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility.

**Endocrine Disruptor Information**

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

**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 . Do not flush to sewer. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

### IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1307  
 Proper Shipping Name XYLENES  
 Technical Shipping Name Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Packing Group II

### NZS 5433:2012

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 Proper Shipping Name XYLENES  
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 Hazard Class 3  
 Packing Group II

Component	Hazchem Code
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers) 1330-20-7 (>95)	3Y 3YE
Ethylbenzene 100-41-4 (<4)	3YE

### IATA

UN-No UN1307  
 Proper Shipping Name XYLENES  
 Technical Shipping Name Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)  
 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
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	HSR000983
Ethylbenzene	HSR001151

International Inventories X = listed

Component	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	IECSC	KECL
Xylenes (o-, m-, p- isomers)	X	X	215-535-7	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	KE-3542 7
Ethylbenzene	X	X	202-849-4	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	KE-1353 2

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

## 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/NDL</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
<b>IARC</b> - International Agency for Research on Cancer	Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)
<b>ICAO/IATA</b> - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association	<b>IMO/IMDG</b> - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
<b>MARPOL</b> - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	
<b>NZS 5433:2012</b> - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land	<b>OECD</b> - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>LD50</b> - Lethal Dose 50%	<b>LC50</b> - Lethal Concentration 50%
<b>EC50</b> - Effective Concentration 50%	<b>ATE</b> - Acute Toxicity Estimate
<b>WEL</b> - Workplace Exposure Limit	<b>RPE</b> - Respiratory Protective Equipment
<b>DNEL</b> - Derived No Effect Level	<b>NOEC</b> - No Observed Effect Concentration
<b>POW</b> - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water	<b>BCF</b> - Bioconcentration factor
<b>vPvB</b> - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative	<b>PBT</b> - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic
<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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