

# Material Safety Data Sheet

## Dimethylformamide MSDS

### Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

**Product Name:** N,N-Dimethylformamide

**Catalog Codes:** SLD4261, SLD3331

**CAS#:** 68-12-2

**RTECS:** LQ2100000

**TSCA:** TSCA 8(b) inventory:Dimethylformamide

**CI#:** Not applicable.

**Synonym:** DMF; Dimethyl Formamide

**Chemical Name:** N,N-Dimethylformamide

**Chemical Formula:** HCON(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

**Contact Information:**

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**International CHEMTREC, call:** 1-703-527-3887

**For non-emergency assistance, call:** 1-281-441-4400

### Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

**Composition:**

Name	CAS #	% by Weight
{N,N-}Dimethylformamide	68-12-2	100

**Toxicological Data on Ingredients:** N,N-Dimethylformamide: ORAL (LD50): Acute: 2800 mg/kg [Rat]. 2900 mg/kg [Mouse]. 5000 mg/kg [Rabbit]. DERMAL (LD50): Acute: 4720 mg/kg [Rabbit].

### Section 3: Hazards Identification

**Potential Acute Health Effects:** Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant, permeator), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

**Potential Chronic Health Effects:**

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: 3 (Not classifiable for human.) by IARC.

MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Mutagenic for mammalian somatic cells. Mutagenic for bacteria and/or yeast.

TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Classified POSSIBLE for human.

DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Classified Reproductive system/toxin/female, Reproductive system/toxin/male [POSSIBLE].

The substance is toxic to kidneys, liver, central nervous system (CNS).

The substance may be toxic to blood, the nervous system.

Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage.

## Section 4: First Aid Measures

### Eye Contact:

Check for and remove any contact lenses. Immediately flush eyes with running water for at least 15 minutes, keeping eyelids open. Cold water may be used. Get medical attention.

### Skin Contact:

In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Cold water may be used. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention.

### Serious Skin Contact:

Wash with a disinfectant soap and cover the contaminated skin with an anti-bacterial cream. Seek immediate medical attention.

### Inhalation:

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

### Serious Inhalation:

Evacuate the victim to a safe area as soon as possible. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. **WARNING:** It may be hazardous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation when the inhaled material is toxic, infectious or corrosive. Seek medical attention.

### Ingestion:

Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention if symptoms appear.

**Serious Ingestion:** Not available.

## Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

**Flammability of the Product:** Flammable.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** 445°C (833°F)

**Flash Points:** CLOSED CUP: 57.778°C (136°F). (Tagliabue.) OPEN CUP: 67°C (152.6°F).

**Flammable Limits:** LOWER: 2.2% UPPER: 15.2%

**Products of Combustion:** These products are carbon oxides (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>), nitrogen oxides (NO, NO<sub>2</sub>...).

### Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:

Flammable in presence of open flames and sparks, of heat.

Non-flammable in presence of shocks.

### Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available.

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

### Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:

Flammable liquid, soluble or dispersed in water.

SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder.

LARGE FIRE: Use alcohol foam, water spray or fog. Cool containing vessels with water jet in order to prevent pressure build-up, autoignition or explosion.

**Special Remarks on Fire Hazards:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:**

A mixture of triethylaluminum and DMF explodes when heated.  
DMF + potassium permanganate may explode.

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

### Small Spill:

Dilute with water and mop up, or absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste disposal container.

### Large Spill:

Flammable liquid.

Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Stop leak if without risk. Absorb with DRY earth, sand or other non-combustible material. Do not touch spilled material. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

### Precautions:

Keep locked up.. Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not ingest. Do not breathe gas/fumes/ vapor/spray. Wear suitable protective clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Keep away from incompatibles such as oxidizing agents, acids.

### Storage:

Store in a segregated and approved area. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Avoid all possible sources of ignition (spark or flame).

## Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### Engineering Controls:

Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are proximal to the work-station location.

### Personal Protection:

Splash goggles. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

### Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:

Splash goggles. Full suit. Vapor respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

### Exposure Limits:

TWA: 10 (ppm) from ACGIH (TLV) [United States]

TWA: 30 (mg/m<sup>3</sup>) from ACGIH (TLV) [United States]

Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical state and appearance:** Liquid.

**Odor:** Amine like. (Slight.)

**Taste:** Not available.

**Molecular Weight:** 73.09 g/mole

**Color:** Colorless to light yellow.

**pH (1% soln/water):** Not available.

**Boiling Point:** 153°C (307.4°F)

**Melting Point:** -61°C (-77.8°F)

**Critical Temperature:** 374°C (705.2°F)

**Specific Gravity:** 0.949 (Water = 1)

**Vapor Pressure:** 0.3 kPa (@ 20°C)

**Vapor Density:** 2.51 (Air = 1)

**Volatility:** Not available.

**Odor Threshold:** 100 ppm

**Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.:** The product is more soluble in water; log(oil/water) = -1

**Ionicity (in Water):** Not available.

**Dispersion Properties:** See solubility in water, diethyl ether, acetone.

**Solubility:**

Easily soluble in cold water, hot water.

Soluble in diethyl ether, acetone.

Miscible organic solvents.

Soluble in benzene, and chloroform.

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

**Stability:** The product is stable.

**Instability Temperature:** Not available.

**Conditions of Instability:** Heat, ignition sources (sparks, flames), incompatible materials

**Incompatibility with various substances:** Reactive with oxidizing agents, acids.

**Corrosivity:** Non-corrosive in presence of glass.

**Special Remarks on Reactivity:**

Can react vigorously with oxidizing agents, halogenated hydrocarbons, and inorganic nitrates.

Incompatible with carbon tetrachloride, alkyl aluminums, sodium tetrahydroborate, nitrates, chromic acid, diisocyanatomethane, triethylaluminum, sodium hydride, lithium azide, metallic sodium, bromine, magnesium nitrate, potassium permanganate, nitric acid, chromium trioxide, borohydrides, phosphorus trioxide, diborane, octafluoroisobutyrate, sodium nitrite, perchloryl fluoride, potassium methyl 4,4'-dinitrobutyrate.

Reaction with inorganic acid chlorides, such as phosphorous oxychloride and thionyl chloride, may form dimethylcarbamoyl, a suspect carcinogen.

May release dimethylamine and carbon monoxide if heated above 350 C (662 F).

**Special Remarks on Corrosivity:**

Pure dimethylformamide is essentially non-corrosive to metals. However copper, tin and their alloys should be avoided.

**Polymerization:** Will not occur.

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

**Routes of Entry:** Absorbed through skin. Dermal contact. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

### **Toxicity to Animals:**

WARNING: THE LC50 VALUES HEREUNDER ARE ESTIMATED ON THE BASIS OF A 4-HOUR EXPOSURE.

Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 2800 mg/kg [Rat].

Acute dermal toxicity (LD50): 4720 mg/kg [Rabbit].

Acute toxicity of the vapor (LC50): 9400 1 hours [Mouse].

### **Chronic Effects on Humans:**

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: 3 (Not classifiable for human.) by IARC.

MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Mutagenic for mammalian somatic cells. Mutagenic for bacteria and/or yeast.

TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Classified POSSIBLE for human.

DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Classified Reproductive system/toxin/female, Reproductive system/toxin/male [POSSIBLE].

Causes damage to the following organs: kidneys, liver, central nervous system (CNS).

May cause damage to the following organs: blood, the nervous system.

**Other Toxic Effects on Humans:** Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant, permeator), of ingestion, of inhalation.

### **Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals:**

Lowest Published Lethal Dose:

LCL[Rat] - Route: Inhalation; Dose: 5000 ppm/6H

### **Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:**

May affect genetic material.

May cause adverse reproductive effects(paternal and maternal) and birth defects. Embryotoxic and/or foetotoxic in animal. Passes through the placental barrier in animal.

May cause cancer although IARC evidence for cancer in humans shows inadequate data.

### **Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:**

Acute Potential Health Effects:

Skin: Causes skin irritation with itching, burning, redness, swelling, or rash. It may be absorbed through the skin in toxic amounts and cause systemic effects similar to that of ingestion. It may facilitate the absorption of other chemical substances through the skin. If there is significant potential for skin contact, monitoring should be done to measure the level of DMF metabolites in urine specimens at the end of the shift. It is common practice to limit end-of-shift metabolites at or below 40 ppm expressed as n-monomethylformamide or a single individual or at or below 20 ppm MMF for several workers doing the same job.

Eyes: Causes eye irritation (possibly severe) with tearing pain or blurred vision.

Inhalation: May cause respiratory tract irritation. Short-term overexposure by inhalation may affect behavior/central nervous system (convulsions, muscle weakness and other symptoms similar to that of acute ingestion), respiration (dyspnea).

Ingestion: It can cause gastrointestinal tract irritation with heartburn, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea. It may also affect the cardiovascular system (hypertension, tachycardia, ECG abnormalities), blood (elevated white blood cell counts), and liver damage (hepatomegaly, jaundice, altered liver enzymes, fatty liver

## Section 12: Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** Not available.

**BOD5 and COD:** Not available.

### **Products of Biodegradation:**

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

**Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:** The products of degradation are less toxic than the product itself.

**Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation:** Not available.

### Section 13: Disposal Considerations

**Waste Disposal:**

Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

### Section 14: Transport Information

**DOT Classification:** CLASS 3: Flammable liquid.

**Identification:** : N,N-Dimethylformamide UNNA: 2265 PG: III

**Special Provisions for Transport:** Not available.

### Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

**Federal and State Regulations:**

Illinois toxic substances disclosure to employee act: N,N-Dimethylformamide

Illinois chemical safety act: N,N-Dimethylformamide

New York release reporting list: N,N-Dimethylformamide

Rhode Island RTK hazardous substances: N,N-Dimethylformamide

Pennsylvania RTK: N,N-Dimethylformamide

Minnesota: N,N-Dimethylformamide

Massachusetts RTK: N,N-Dimethylformamide

Massachusetts spill list: N,N-Dimethylformamide

New Jersey: N,N-Dimethylformamide

New Jersey spill list: N,N-Dimethylformamide

Louisiana spill reporting: N,N-Dimethylformamide

California Director's List of Hazardous Substances: N,N-Dimethylformamide

TSCA 8(b) inventory: N,N-Dimethylformamide

TSCA 8(d) H and S data reporting: N,N-Dimethylformamide: 12/19/95

SARA 313 toxic chemical notification and release reporting: N,N-Dimethylformamide

CERCLA: Hazardous substances.: N,N-Dimethylformamide: 100 lbs. (45.36 kg)

**Other Regulations:**

OSHA: Hazardous by definition of Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

EINECS: This product is on the European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.

**Other Classifications:****WHMIS (Canada):**

CLASS B-3: Combustible liquid with a flash point between 37.8°C (100°F) and 93.3°C (200°F).

CLASS D-2A: Material causing other toxic effects (VERY TOXIC).

**DSCL (EEC):**

R20/21- Harmful by inhalation and in contact with skin.

R36- Irritating to eyes.

R61- May cause harm to the unborn child.

S45- In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

S53- Avoid exposure - obtain special instructions before use.

**HMIS (U.S.A.):**

**Health Hazard:** 2

**Fire Hazard:** 2

**Reactivity:** 0

**Personal Protection:** h

**National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):**

**Health:** 1

**Flammability:** 2

**Reactivity:** 0

**Specific hazard:**

**Protective Equipment:**

Gloves.

Lab coat.

Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate.

Splash goggles.

### Section 16: Other Information

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