

Safety data sheet

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH), amended by 2015/830/EU



Formic acid $\geq 98\%$, for synthesis

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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifier

Identification of the substance	Formic acid
Article number	4742
Registration number (REACH)	01-2119491174-37-xxxx
Index No	607-001-00-0
EC number	200-579-1
CAS number	64-18-6

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses: laboratory chemical

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)

Classification acc. to GHS			
Section	Hazard class	Hazard class and category	Hazard statement
2.6	flammable liquid	(Flam. Liq. 3)	H226
2.16	substance or mixture corrosive to metals	(Met. Corr. 1)	H290
3.10	acute toxicity (oral)	(Acute Tox. 4)	H302
3.11	acute toxicity (inhal.)	(Acute Tox. 3)	H331
3.2	skin corrosion/irritation	(Skin Corr. 1A)	H314

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Classification acc. to GHS			
Section	Hazard class	Hazard class and category	Hazard statement
3.3	serious eye damage/eye irritation	(Eye Dam. 1)	H318

Supplemental hazard information

Code	Supplemental hazard information
EUH071	corrosive to the respiratory tract

2.2 Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP)

Signal word

Danger

Pictograms



Hazard statements

H226	Flammable liquid and vapour
H290	May be corrosive to metals
H302	Harmful if swallowed
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
H331	Toxic if inhaled

Precautionary statements

Precautionary statements - prevention

P210	Keep away from heat. No smoking.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Precautionary statements - response

P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep 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.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.

Supplemental hazard information

EUH071	Corrosive to the respiratory tract.
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Labelling of packages where the contents do not exceed 125 ml

Signal word: **Danger**

Symbol(s)



H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H331 Toxic if inhaled.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person 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.
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
EUH071 Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

2.3 Other hazards

There is no additional information.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

Name of substance	Formic acid
Index No	607-001-00-0
Registration number (REACH)	01-2119491174-37-xxxx
EC number	200-579-1
CAS number	64-18-6
Molecular formula	CH ₂ O ₂
Molar mass	46,03 g/mol

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures



General notes

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Self-protection of the first aider.

Following inhalation

Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If breathing is irregular or stopped, immediately seek medical assistance and start first aid actions.

Following skin contact

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Immediate medical treatment required because corrosive injuries that are not treated are hard to cure.

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Following eye contact

In case of contact with eyes flush immediately with plenty of flowing water for 10 to 15 minutes holding eyelids apart and consult an ophthalmologist. Protect uninjured eye.

Following ingestion

Rinse mouth immediately and drink plenty of water. If swallowed danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach (strong corrosive effects). Call a physician immediately.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Irritation, Corrosion, Dyspnoea, Risk of serious damage to eyes

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

none

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Co-ordinate fire-fighting measures to the fire surroundings
water spray, foam, dry extinguishing powder, carbon dioxide (CO₂)

Unsuitable extinguishing media

water jet

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Combustible. Vapours can form explosive mixtures with air.

Hazardous combustion products

In case of fire may be liberated: carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO₂)

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Vapours are heavier than air. Fight fire with normal precautions from a reasonable distance. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Wear full chemical protective clothing.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

For non-emergency personnel

Do not breathe vapour/spray. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Provide adequate ventilation. Avoidance of ignition sources.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water. Explosive properties.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Advices on how to contain a spill

Covering of drains.

Advices on how to clean up a spill

Absorb with liquid-binding material (e.g. sand, diatomaceous earth, acid- or universal binding agents).

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Other information relating to spills and releases

Place in appropriate containers for disposal. Ventilate affected area.

6.4 Reference to other sections

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5. Personal protective equipment: see section 8. Incompatible materials: see section 10. Disposal considerations: see section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Provision of sufficient ventilation. Use extractor hood (laboratory). Handle and open container with care. Clear contaminated areas thoroughly.

• Measures to prevent fire as well as aerosol and dust generation



Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.

Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash hands before breaks and after work.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed.

Incompatible substances or mixtures

Observe hints for combined storage.

Consideration of other advice

Store locked up. Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

• Ventilation requirements

Use local and general ventilation.

• Specific designs for storage rooms or vessels

Recommended storage temperature: 15 – 25 °C.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information available.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

National limit values

Occupational exposure limit values (Workplace Exposure Limits)

Country	Name of agent	CAS No	Notation	Identifier	TWA [ppm]	TWA [mg/m ³]	STEL [ppm]	STEL [mg/m ³]	Source
EU	formic acid	64-18-6		IOELV	5	9			2006/15/EC
GB	formic acid	64-18-6		WEL	5	9,6			EH40/2005

Notation

STEL Short-term exposure limit: a limit value above which exposure should not occur and which is related to a 15-minute period unless otherwise specified

TWA Time-weighted average (long-term exposure limit): measured or calculated in relation to a reference period of 8 hours time-weighted average

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Relevant DNELs/DMELs/PNECs and other threshold levels

• human health values

Endpoint	Threshold level	Protection goal, route of exposure	Used in	Exposure time
DNEL	19 mg/m ³	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	acute - local effects
DNEL	9,5 mg/m ³	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	chronic - local effects

• environmental values

Endpoint	Threshold level	Environmental compartment
PNEC	2 mg/l	freshwater
PNEC	0,2 mg/l	marine water
PNEC	7,2 mg/l	sewage treatment plant (STP)
PNEC	13,4 mg/kg	freshwater sediment
PNEC	1,34 mg/kg	marine sediment
PNEC	1,5 mg/kg	soil

8.2 Exposure controls

Individual protection measures (personal protective equipment)



Eye/face protection

Use safety goggle with side protection. Wear face protection.

Skin protection

• hand protection

Wear suitable gloves. Chemical protection gloves are suitable, which are tested according to EN 374. Check leak-tightness/impermeability prior to use. For special purposes, it is recommended to check the resistance to chemicals of the protective gloves mentioned above together with the supplier of these gloves.

• type of material

CR: chloroprene (chlorobutadiene) rubber

• material thickness

0,65 mm

• breakthrough times of the glove material

>480 minutes (permeation: level 6)

• other protection measures

Take recovery periods for skin regeneration. Preventive skin protection (barrier creams/ointments) is recommended.

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Respiratory protection

Respiratory protection necessary at: Aerosol or mist formation. Type: E (against acidic gases like sulphur dioxide or hydrogen chloride, colour code: Yellow). -P3 (filters at least 99,95 % of airborne particles, colour code: White).

Environmental exposure controls

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical state	liquid (fluid)
Colour	colourless
Odour	stinging
Odour threshold	0,02 - 49,1 ppm

Other physical and chemical parameters

pH (value)	2,2 (10 g/l, 20 °C)
Melting point/freezing point	4 °C
Initial boiling point and boiling range	101 °C at 1.013 hPa
Flash point	49 °C at 1.013 hPa
Evaporation rate	no data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	not relevant (fluid)
<u>Explosive limits</u>	
• lower explosion limit (LEL)	12 vol%
• upper explosion limit (UEL)	38 vol%
Explosion limits of dust clouds	not relevant
Vapour pressure	43 hPa at 20 °C
Density	1,22 g/cm ³ at 20 °C
Vapour density	1,59 (air = 1)
Bulk density	Not applicable
Relative density	Information on this property is not available.
<u>Solubility(ies)</u>	
Water solubility	miscible in any proportion
<u>Partition coefficient</u>	
n-octanol/water (log KOW)	-2,1 (pH value: 7, 23 °C) (ECHA)
Soil organic carbon/water (log KOC)	<1,25 (ECHA)
Auto-ignition temperature	528 °C - ECHA
Decomposition temperature	no data available

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Viscosity

• dynamic viscosity 1,8 mPa s at 20 °C

Explosive properties Shall not be classified as explosive

Oxidising properties none

9.2 Other information

Temperature class (EU, acc. to ATEX) T1 (Maximum permissible surface temperature on the equipment: 450°C)

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

Risk of ignition. In case of warming: Vapours can form explosive mixtures with air. Substance or mixture corrosive to metals.

10.2 Chemical stability

The material is stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Exothermic reaction with: Alkali hydroxide (caustic alkali), Oxidisers, Nitric acid, Sulphuric acid, concentrated,

Danger of explosion: Mixtures of sodium hypochlorite, Metal catalyst, Nitro compound, Hydrogen peroxide

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Keep away from heat.

10.5 Incompatible materials

different metals

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

Exposure route	Endpoint	Value	Species	Source
oral	LD50	730 mg/kg	rat	ECHA
inhalation: vapour	LC50	7,85 mg/l/4h	rat	ECHA

Skin corrosion/irritation

Causes severe burns.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Causes serious eye damage.

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Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Shall not be classified as a respiratory or skin sensitiser.

Summary of evaluation of the CMR properties

Shall not be classified as germ cell mutagenic, carcinogenic nor as a reproductive toxicant

• Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (single exposure).

• Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (repeated exposure).

Aspiration hazard

Shall not be classified as presenting an aspiration hazard.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

• If swallowed

If swallowed danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach (strong corrosive effects)

• If in eyes

causes burns, Causes serious eye damage, risk of blindness

• If inhaled

corrosive to the respiratory tract, Dyspnoea, pulmonary oedema

• If on skin

causes severe burns, causes poorly healing wounds

Other information

Other adverse effects: Renal impairment

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

acc. to 1272/2008/EC: Shall not be classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment.

Aquatic toxicity (acute)

Endpoint	Value	Species	Source	Exposure time
EC50	34,2 mg/l	daphnia magna	IUCLID	48 h
EC50	27 mg/l	Grünalge		72 h
LC50	46 mg/l	orfe (Leuciscus idus)	IUCLID	96 h

Aquatic toxicity (chronic)

Endpoint	Value	Species	Source	Exposure time
NOEC	100 mg/l	daphnia magna	ECHA	21 d
LOEC	>100 mg/l	aquatic invertebrates	ECHA	21 d

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12.2 Process of degradability

The substance is readily biodegradable.
Theoretical Oxygen Demand: $0,3476 \text{ mg/mg}$
Theoretical Carbon Dioxide: $0,9561 \text{ mg/mg}$

Process	Degradation rate	Time
biotic/abiotic	98 %	14 d
oxygen depletion	100 %	14 d

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Does not significantly accumulate in organisms.

n-octanol/water (log KOW) -2,1 (pH value: 7, 23 °C)

12.4 Mobility in soil

Henry's law constant $0,019 \text{ Pa m}^3/\text{mol}$ at 25 °C

The Organic Carbon normalised adsorption coefficient $<1,25$

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Data are not available.

12.6 Other adverse effects

Data are not available.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

Sewage disposal-relevant information

Do not empty into drains.

Waste treatment of containers/packagings

It is a dangerous waste; only packagings which are approved (e.g. acc. to ADR) may be used.

13.2 Relevant provisions relating to waste

The allocation of waste identity numbers/waste descriptions must be carried out according to the EEC, specific to the industry and process.

13.3 Remarks

Waste shall be separated into the categories that can be handled separately by the local or national waste management facilities. Please consider the relevant national or regional provisions.

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SECTION 14: Transport information

14.1	UN number	1779
14.2	UN proper shipping name	FORMIC ACID
	Hazardous ingredients	Formic acid
14.3	Transport hazard class(es)	
	Class	8 (corrosive substances)
14.4	Packing group	II (substance presenting medium danger)
14.5	Environmental hazards	none (non-environmentally hazardous acc. to the dangerous goods regulations)

14.6 Special precautions for user

Provisions for dangerous goods (ADR) should be complied within the premises.

14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code

The cargo is not intended to be carried in bulk.

14.8 Information for each of the UN Model Regulations

• Transport of dangerous goods by road, rail and inland waterway (ADR/RID/ADN)

UN number	1779
Proper shipping name	FORMIC ACID
Particulars in the transport document	UN1779, FORMIC ACID, 8 (3), II, (D/E)
Class	8
Classification code	CF1
Packing group	II
Danger label(s)	8+3



Excepted quantities (EQ)	E2
Limited quantities (LQ)	1 L
Transport category (TC)	2
Tunnel restriction code (TRC)	D/E
Hazard identification No	83
Emergency Action Code	2W

• International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG)

UN number	1779
Proper shipping name	FORMIC ACID
Particulars in the shipper's declaration	UN1779, FORMIC ACID, 8 (3), II, 49°C c.c.
Class	8
Subsidiary risk(s)	3

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Marine pollutant	-
Packing group	II
Danger label(s)	8+3



Special provisions (SP)	-
Excepted quantities (EQ)	E2
Limited quantities (LQ)	1 L
EmS	F-E, S-C
Stowage category	A
Segregation group	1 - Acids

• International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO-IATA/DGR)

UN number	1779
Proper shipping name	Formic acid
Particulars in the shipper's declaration	UN1779, Formic acid, 8 (3), II
Class	8
Subsidiary risk(s)	3
Packing group	II
Danger label(s)	8+3



Excepted quantities (EQ)	E2
Limited quantities (LQ)	0,5 L

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

Relevant provisions of the European Union (EU)

- Regulation 649/2012/EU concerning the export and import of hazardous chemicals (PIC)

Not listed.

- Regulation 1005/2009/EC on substances that deplete the ozone layer (ODS)

Not listed.

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• Regulation 850/2004/EC on persistent organic pollutants (POP)

Not listed.

• Restrictions according to REACH, Annex XVII

Name of substance	CAS No	Wt%	Type of registration	No
Formic acid		100	1907/2006/EC annex XVII	3
Formic acid		100	1907/2006/EC annex XVII	40

• List of substances subject to authorisation (REACH, Annex XIV)

not listed

• Seveso Directive

2012/18/EU (Seveso III)

No	Dangerous substance/hazard categories	Qualifying quantity (tonnes) for the application of lower and upper-tier requirements		Notes
H2	acute toxic (cat. 2 + cat. 3, inhal.)	50	200	41)

Notation

41) - Category 2, all exposure routes
- category 3, inhalation exposure route

• Limitation of emissions of volatile organic compounds due to the use of organic solvents in certain paints and varnishes and vehicle refinishing products (2004/42/EC, Deco-Paint Directive)

VOC content 100 %

• Directive on industrial emissions (VOCs, 2010/75/EU)

VOC content 100 %

Directive 2011/65/EU on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment (RoHS) - Annex II

not listed

Regulation 166/2006/EC concerning the establishment of a European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (PRTR)

not listed

Directive 2000/60/EC establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy (WFD)

not listed

National inventories

Substance is listed in the following national inventories:

- EINECS/ELINCS/NLP (Europe)
- DSL/NDSL (Canada)
- REACH (Europe)
- Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA)

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15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

No Chemical Safety Assessment has been carried out for this substance.

SECTION 16: Other information

16.1 Indication of changes (revised safety data sheet)

Section	Former entry (text/value)	Actual entry (text/value)	Safety-relevant
2.2		Pictograms: change in the listing (table)	yes
2.2		Precautionary statements - prevention: change in the listing (table)	yes
2.2		Precautionary statements - response: change in the listing (table)	yes
2.2		Labelling of packages where the contents do not exceed 125 ml: change in the listing (table)	yes
2.2		Labelling of packages where the contents do not exceed 125 ml: change in the listing (table)	yes
14.8		Emergency Action Code: 2W	yes
14.8		• International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO-IATA/DGR)	yes
14.8		UN number: 1779	yes
14.8		Proper shipping name: Formic acid	yes
14.8		Particulars in the shipper's declaration: UN1779, Formic acid, 8 (3), II	yes
14.8		Class: 8	yes
14.8		Subsidiary risk(s): 3	yes
14.8		Packing group: II	yes
14.8		Danger label(s): 8+3	yes
14.8		Danger label(s): change in the listing (table)	yes
14.8		Excepted quantities (EQ): E2	yes
14.8		Limited quantities (LQ): 0,5 L	yes

Abbreviations and acronyms

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Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
2006/15/EC	Comission Directive establishing a second list of indicative occupational exposure limit values in implementation of Council Directive 98/24/EC and amending Directives 91/322/EEC and 2000/39/EC
ADN	Accord européen relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par voies de navigation intérieures (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways)
ADR	Accord européen relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service (service that maintains the most comprehensive list of chemical substances)
CLP	Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures
CMR	Carcinogenic, Mutagenic or toxic for Reproduction
DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (see IATA/DGR)
DMEL	Derived Minimal Effect Level
DNEL	Derived No-Effect Level
EH40/2005	EH40/2005 Workplace exposure limits (http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/)
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
ELINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
EmS	Emergency Schedule
GHS	"Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals" developed by the United Nations
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IATA/DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
index No	the Index number is the identification code given to the substance in Part 3 of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
IOELV	indicative occupational exposure limit value
MARPOL	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (abbr. of "Marine Pollutant")
NLP	No-Longer Polymer
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
ppm	parts per million
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals
RID	Règlement concernant le transport International ferroviaire des marchandises Dangereuses (Regulations concerning the International carriage of Dangerous goods by Rail)
STEL	short-term exposure limit
TWA	time-weighted average
VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
vPvB	very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative
WEL	workplace exposure limit

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Key literature references and sources for data

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- Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 (CLP, EU GHS)
- Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
- International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG)

List of relevant phrases (code and full text as stated in chapter 2 and 3)

Code	Text
H226	flammable liquid and vapour
H290	may be corrosive to metals
H302	harmful if swallowed
H314	causes severe skin burns and eye damage
H318	causes serious eye damage
H331	toxic if inhaled

Disclaimer

The above information describes exclusively the safety requirements of the product and is based on our present-day knowledge. The information is intended to give you advice about the safe handling of the product named in this safety data sheet, for storage, processing, transport and disposal. The information cannot be transferred to other products. In the case of mixing the product with other products or in the case of processing, the information on this safety data sheet is not necessarily valid for the new made-up material.