

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

**Product Name** Triethylamine

**Cat No. :** A12646

**CAS No** 121-44-8  
**Synonyms** TETN

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Flammable liquids	Category 2
Acute oral toxicity	Category 3
Acute dermal toxicity	Category 3
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors	Category 3
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1 A
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system, Central nervous system (CNS).	

### Label Elements

#### **Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

Highly flammable liquid and vapor  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
May cause respiratory irritation  
Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking  
Keep container tightly closed  
Ground/bond container and receiving equipment  
Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment  
Use only non-sparking tools  
Take precautionary measures against static discharge  
Keep cool

**Response**

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

**Inhalation**

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

**Skin**

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse  
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower

**Eyes**

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

**Ingestion**

Rinse mouth  
Do NOT induce vomiting

**Fire**

In case of fire: Use CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

**Storage**

Store locked up  
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

None identified

### 3. Composition/information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Triethylamine	121-44-8	100

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Inhalation</b>	If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Remove to fresh air. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	Causes burns by all exposure routes. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Water mist may be used to cool closed containers. CO <sub>2</sub> , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	-11 °C / 12.2 °F
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	215 °C / 419 °F
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	8.0%
<b>Lower</b>	1.2%
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Flammable. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>).

### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### NFPA

Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
3	3	0	N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.
<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

## 7. Handling and Storage

<b>Handling</b>	Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. 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.
<b>Storage.</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Flammables area. Corrosives area. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids. Strong reducing agents.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Triethylamine	TWA: 1 ppm STEL: 3 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 10 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 40 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Vacated) STEL: 15 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 60 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 25 ppm TWA: 100 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 200 ppm	TWA: 25 ppm TWA: 100 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 40 ppm STEL: 160 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

### Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

<b>Engineering Measures</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment.
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### Personal Protective Equipment

<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.
<b>Recommended Filter type:</b>	Ammonia and organic ammonia derivatives filter. Type K. Green. conforming to EN14387.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid	
<b>Appearance</b>	Colorless	
<b>Odor</b>	Fishy	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available	
<b>pH</b>	12.4	(10 %)
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	-115 °C / -175 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	90 °C / 194 °F	
<b>Flash Point</b>	-11 °C / 12.2 °F	<b>Method</b> - No information available
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	Highly flammable	On basis of test data
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable	Liquid
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	<b>Lower</b> 1.2 vol% <b>Upper</b> 8.8 vol%	
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	215 °C / 419 °F	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Water Solubility</b>	133 g/L (20°C)	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Component</b>	<b>log Pow</b>	
Triethylamine	1.45	
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	69 mbar @ 20 °C	
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>	0.728	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	Not applicable	Liquid
<b>Vapor Density</b>	3.5	(Air = 1.0)
<b>Viscosity</b>	0.36 mPa.s @ 20 °C	
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	Not applicable (liquid)	
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C6 H15 N	
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	101.19	
<b>Explosive Properties</b>	Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air	
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	5.6 - (Butyl Acetate = 1.0)	

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Strong reducing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>x</sub> )
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

<b>Inhalation</b>	Not an expected route of exposure.
<b>Ingestion</b>	May be harmful if swallowed.
<b>Eyes</b>	Avoid contact with eyes. Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness.
<b>Skin</b>	Avoid contact with skin. Causes burns. Harmful in contact with skin.

**Acute Toxicity****Product Information  
Component Information**

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Triethylamine	Not listed	415 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	1250 ppm ( Rat ) 4 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

**Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure**

<b>Irritation</b>	Causes severe burns by all exposure routes
<b>Sensitization</b>	No information available
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Triethylamine	121-44-8	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** Respiratory system Central nervous system (CNS)  
**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity**

Do not empty into drains. Contains a substance which is: Harmful to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Triethylamine	Not listed	Oryzias latipes: LC50 = 50.7 mg/L/48h	EC50 = 127 mg/L/2 h EC50 = 95 mg/L/17 h	EC50 = 200 mg/L/48h

**Persistence and Degradability** Persistence is unlikely

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** . Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Triethylamine	1.45

### 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Triethylamine - 121-44-8	U404	-

### 14. Transport information

#### DOT

UN-No UN1296  
 Proper Shipping Name TRIETHYLAMINE  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

#### TDG

UN-No UN1296  
 Proper Shipping Name TRIETHYLAMINE  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

#### IATA

UN-No UN1296  
 Proper Shipping Name TRIETHYLAMINE  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

#### IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1296  
 Proper Shipping Name TRIETHYLAMINE  
 Hazard Class 3  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

### 15. Regulatory Information

#### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Triethylamine	121-44-8	X	ACTIVE	-

#### **Legend:**

**TSCA** US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

**TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)**

Not applicable

**TSCA 12(b)** - Notices of Export

Not applicable

#### International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Triethylamine	121-44-8	X	-	204-469-4	X	X	X	X	X	X

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

### U.S. Federal Regulations

#### SARA 313

Component	CAS No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %	SARA 313 - Reporting thresholds
Triethylamine	121-44-8	100	1.0	-

#### SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

#### CWA (Clean Water Act)

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Triethylamine	X	5000 lb	-	-

#### Clean Air Act

Component	HAPS Data	Class 1 Ozone Depletors	Class 2 Ozone Depletors
Triethylamine	X		-

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration Not applicable

#### CERCLA

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355).

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA Extremely Hazardous Substances RQs	SARA Reportable Quantity (RQ)
Triethylamine	5000 lb	-	RQ 5000 lb final RQ RQ 2270 kg final RQ

California Proposition 65 This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

#### U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Triethylamine	X	X	X	X	X

#### U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y  
DOT Marine Pollutant N  
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

#### Other International Regulations



Mexico - Grade

Serious risk, Grade 3

## Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Triethylamine	121-44-8	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

## REACH links

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

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

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Triethylamine	121-44-8	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

## Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per &amp; poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

## Other International Regulations

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Triethylamine	121-44-8	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

## 16. Other Information

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## Revision Summary

This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS).

## Disclaimer

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