



# Material Safety Data Sheet

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## 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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MMA - 15 PPM MEHQ

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**Supplier**

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**Local Emergency telephone number**

989-636-4400

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## 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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Component	CAS-No.	Concentration
Methyl methacrylate	80-62-6	>= 99.8%
Other ester adducts	Not Required	<= 0.2%
Methoxyphenol	150-76-5	<= 20.0PPM

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## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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**Emergency Overview**

**Appearance**

Form liquid

Colour clear

**Odour** Fruity odor

**Hazard Summary****WARNING!**

FLAMMABLE LIQUID AND VAPOR.  
 IRRITATING TO EYES, RESPIRATORY SYSTEM AND SKIN.  
 MAY CAUSE SENSITIZATION BY SKIN CONTACT.  
 LIVER AND KIDNEY INJURIES MAY OCCUR.  
 REACTIVE MONOMER

**Potential Health Effects**

**Primary Routes of Entry:** Inhalation  
 Eye contact  
 Skin contact

**Eyes:** Material can cause the following:  
 slight irritation

**Skin:** Material can cause the following:  
 Moderate irritation.  
 May cause sensitization by skin contact.

**Ingestion:** May be harmful if swallowed.

**Inhalation:** Inhalation of vapor or mist can cause the following:  
 irritation of nose, throat, and lungs  
 Inhalation of vapor or mist is  
 harmful; possibly fatal in high concentrations.

**Chronic Exposure:** Prolonged or repeated overexposure at near lethal concentrations can cause the following:  
 kidney damage  
 liver damage

<b>Methyl methacrylate</b>	ACGIH	Sensitiser.
<b>Methyl methacrylate</b>	ACGIH	Not classifiable as a human carcinogen.
<b>Methyl methacrylate</b>	IARC	Classification not possible from current data.
<b>Methyl methacrylate</b>	IRIS	Not a human carcinogen.

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**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**


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**Inhalation:** Move to fresh air. Oxygen or artificial respiration if needed. Call a physician immediately.

**Skin contact:** Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.

**Eye contact:** Rinse with plenty of water. If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist.

**Ingestion:** Drink 1 or 2 glasses of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Consult a physician. If vomiting occurs spontaneously, keep airway clear.

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**5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**


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<b>Flash point</b>	8 °C (46 °F ) SETAFLASH CLOSED CUP
<b>Ignition temperature</b>	435.0 °C (815.00 °F)
<b>Lower explosion limit</b>	2.10 %(V)
<b>Upper explosion limit</b>	12.50 %(V)

**Suitable extinguishing media:** water spray  
dry powder  
foam  
alcohol-resistant foam  
carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

**Specific hazards during fire fighting:** Vapors can travel to a source of ignition and flash back. Heat can cause polymerization. Heated containers can explode.

**Special protective equipment for fire-fighters:** Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit.

**Further information:** EXPLOSION HAZARD. Fight advanced fires from a protected location. Cool containers / tanks with spray water.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### Personal precautions

Use personal protective equipment.

If exposed to material during clean-up operations, see SECTION 4, First Aid Measures, for actions to follow.

### Environmental precautions

CAUTION: Keep spills and cleaning runoff out of municipal sewers and open bodies of water. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

### Methods for cleaning up

Remove all sources of ignition.

Contain spills immediately with inert materials (e.g., sand, earth).

Transfer liquids and solid diking material to separate suitable containers for recovery or disposal.

Contaminated monomer may be unstable. Add inhibitor to prevent polymerization.

Absorbent can act as a contaminant (removes inhibitor) in liquid monomer. Avoid freestanding monomer with absorbent or add inhibitor to stabilize. Dispose of promptly.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### Handling

May cause sensitization of susceptible persons by skin contact. For personal protection see section 8. Ground all metal containers during storage and handling.

### Storage

**Storage conditions:** Minor deviations (7C/13F) above the recommended temperature (see below) are acceptable for short periods of time (one week) for material in transit. Store in cool place. Keep away from direct sunlight. Material can burn; limit indoor storage to approved areas equipped with automatic sprinklers. Ground all metal containers during storage and handling. This product contains inhibitor to stabilize it during shipment and storage. The effectiveness of the inhibitor is dependent on the presence of dissolved oxygen. In order to maintain sufficient dissolved oxygen in the liquid to avoid

polymerization, the monomer must always be stored with a vapor space oxygen concentration of 5% to 21%(air). Store material in containers made of the following: stainless steel carbon steel glass aluminum Keep container tightly closed.

**Storage temperature:**  $\leq 38\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $\leq 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$ )

**Storage period:** 8 Months

**Other data:** Use monomer within the recommended storage period from date of manufacture to avoid loss of stability or risk of polymerization.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Exposure limit(s)

Exposure limits are listed below, if they exist.

Component	Regulation	Type of listing	Value
Methyl methacrylate	ACGIH	TWA	50 ppm
	ACGIH	STEL	100 ppm
	OSHA_TRANS	PEL	410 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 100 ppm
	Z1A	TWA	410 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 100 ppm
	Rohm and Haas	TWA	50 ppm
	Rohm and Haas	STEL	75 ppm

Component	Regulation	Type of listing	Value
Methoxyphenol	Rohm and Haas	TWA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
	ACGIH	TWA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**Eye protection:** Chemical resistant goggles must be worn. Eye protection worn must be compatible with respiratory protection system employed.

**Hand protection:** Chemical-resistant gloves should be worn whenever this material is handled. The glove(s) listed below may provide protection against permeation. (Gloves of other chemically resistant materials may not provide adequate protection): Butyl rubber Rinse and remove gloves immediately after use. Wash hands with soap and water. Gloves should be removed and replaced immediately if there is any indication of degradation or chemical breakthrough. NOTE: Material is a possible skin sensitizer. Reference: Methacrylate Producers Association, Inc., "Chemical- Protective Gloves for Methacrylic Acid and its Esters", September 1998.

**Skin and body protection:** Use chemically resistant apron or other impervious clothing to avoid prolonged or repeated skin contact.

**Respiratory protection:** A respiratory protection program meeting OSHA 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or equivalent must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant a respirator's use. None required if airborne concentrations are maintained below the exposure limit listed in Exposure Limit Information. Up to 10 times the exposure limit: Wear a properly fitted NIOSH approved (or equivalent) half-mask, air-purifying respirator. Up to 50 times the exposure limit: Wear a properly fitted NIOSH approved (or equivalent) full-facepiece, air-purifying respirator, OR full-facepiece, airline respirator in the pressure demand mode. Above 50 times the exposure limit or Unknown: Wear a properly fitted NIOSH approved (or equivalent) self-contained breathing apparatus in the pressure demand mode, OR full-facepiece, airline respirator in the pressure demand mode with emergency escape provision. Air-purifying respirators should be equipped with NIOSH approved (or equivalent) organic vapor cartridges and N95 filters. If oil mist is present, use R95 or P95 filters. NOTE: Contact Rohm and Haas Company for air monitoring method.

**Protective measures:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower.

**Engineering measures:** Use explosion-proof local exhaust ventilation with a minimum capture velocity of 100 ft/min (0.5 m/sec) at the point of vapor evolution. Refer to the current edition of Industrial Ventilation: A Manual of Recommended Practice published by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists for information on the design, installation, use, and maintenance of exhaust systems.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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### Appearance

<b>Form</b>	liquid
<b>Colour</b>	clear
<b>Odour</b>	Fruity odor
<b>Boiling point/range</b>	101 °C (213.80 °F)
<b>Melting point/range</b>	-48.00 °C (-54.40 °F)
<b>Flash point</b>	8 °C (46 °F) SETAFLASH CLOSED CUP
<b>Ignition temperature</b>	435 °C (815.00 °F)
<b>Lower explosion limit</b>	2.10 %(V)
<b>Upper explosion limit</b>	12.50 %(V)
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	29.0 mmHg at 20 °C (68.00 °F)
<b>Relative vapour density</b>	3.5
<b>Water solubility</b>	15.00000 g/l at 0.00 °C (32.00 °F)
<b>Relative density</b>	0.94
<b>Viscosity, dynamic</b>	0.530 mPa.s
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	>1.00
<b>Percent volatility</b>	100 %

NOTE: The physical data presented above are typical values and should not be construed as a specification.

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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<b>Hazardous reactions</b>	Inhibitor is added to this product to prevent polymerization. However, this material can undergo hazardous polymerization. See Hazardous Polymerization for conditions to avoid. This material is considered stable under specified conditions of storage, shipment and/or use. See SECTION 7, Handling And Storage, for specified conditions.
<b>Materials to avoid</b>	Avoid contact with the following: acids bases oxidizing agents reducing agents UV light free radical initiators organic peroxides
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	There are no known hazardous decomposition products for this material.,

<b>polymerization</b>	Excessive aging, heat, contamination with polymerization catalysts, oxygen-free atmosphere, inhibitor depletion or ultraviolet light (sunlight) may cause polymerization. An uncontrolled polymerization may produce a rapid release of energy with the potential for an explosion of unvented closed containers.
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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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<b>Acute oral toxicity</b>	LD50 rat > 5,000 mg/kg
<b>Acute inhalation toxicity</b>	LC50 rat 4 h 7094 ppm
<b>Acute dermal toxicity</b>	LD50 rabbit > 5,000 mg/kg
<b>Skin irritation</b>	rabbit Moderate irritation.
<b>Eye irritation</b>	rabbit slight irritation
<b>Sensitization</b>	May cause sensitization by skin contact.

### Teratogenicity

MMA did not cause birth defects, malformations, or fetal toxicity in pregnant rats inhaling concentrations up to 2028 ppm.

### Mutagenicity

Methyl methacrylate has produced mutations and chromosomal aberrations in certain in-vitro assays using cultured mammalian cells. However, there is no convincing evidence for in-vivo clastogenicity of methyl methacrylate. In several lifetime animal studies, methyl methacrylate has been shown to be non-carcinogenic.

In a retrospective study of the effects of exposure to ethyl acrylate and methyl methacrylate on workers hired in one plant between 1933 and 1945, a higher-than-expected incidence of colorectal cancer mortality was observed. However, there was no association of risk in similarly exposed populations from other locations or in subsequent evaluations of the same location.

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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### Elimination information (persistence and degradability)

#### Biodegradability

Ultimately biodegradable (88% within 28 days) under aerobic conditions

#### Physico-chemical removability

28-Day Hydrolysis Study:  
Rapidly hydrolyzed under alkaline conditions.

#### Stability in soil

Adsorption/Desorption: Very highly mobile, not adsorbed to soil  
Soil metabolism: MMA is rapidly dissipated, t<sub>1/2</sub><1 day

#### Ecotoxicity effects

##### Toxicity to fish

LC50 *Oncorhynchus mykiss* (rainbow trout) 96 h  
> 79 mg/l

##### Toxicity to algae

EC50 *Selenastrum capricornutum* 72 h  
170 mg/l

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<b>Toxicity to aquatic invertebrates</b>	EC50 Daphnia magna 48 h 69 mg/l
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### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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**Environmental precautions:** CAUTION: Keep spills and cleaning runoff out of municipal sewers and open bodies of water.

Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

#### Disposal

**Waste Classification:** 40 CFR 261.20 - .24 - Characteristic Waste D001

When a decision is made to discard this material as supplied, it is classified as a RCRA hazardous waste with the characteristic of ignitability.

After the addition of excess inhibitor, incinerate liquid and contaminated diking material in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

**Contaminated packaging:** Dispose of as unused product. CONTAINERS MAY BE HAZARDOUS WHEN EMPTY. Since emptied containers retain product residue follow all MSDS and label warnings even after container is emptied. Do not burn, or use a cutting torch on, the empty drum. Pursue safe, legal methods for recycle of empty containers. Improper disposal or re-use of this container may be dangerous and illegal. Refer to applicable local, state and federal regulations.

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### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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#### DOT

<b>Proper shipping name</b>	Methyl methacrylate monomer, stabilized
<b>UN-No</b>	UN 1247
<b>Class</b>	3
<b>Packing group</b>	II
<b>Reportable Quantity</b>	Methyl methacrylate

#### IMO/IMDG

<b>Proper shipping name</b>	METHYL METHACRYLATE MONOMER, STABILIZED
<b>UN-No</b>	UN 1247
<b>Class</b>	3
<b>Packing group</b>	II

*Transportation classifications may vary by container volume and may be influenced by regional or country variations in regulations*

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### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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#### Workplace Classification

This product is considered hazardous under the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

This product is a 'controlled product' under the Canadian Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS).

**SARA TITLE III: Section 311/312 Categorizations (40CFR370):** Acute Health Hazard

Chronic Health Hazard

Fire Hazard

Reactivity Hazard

**SARA TITLE III: Section 313 Information (40CFR372)**

This product contains a chemical which is listed in Section 313 at or above de minimis concentrations.

The following listed chemicals are present: (Quantity present is found elsewhere on this MSDS.)

SARA Title III Components: Methyl methacrylate 80-62-6

**CERCLA Information (40CFR302.4)**

This material is regulated under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) Title III Section 304. This material is or contains chemical(s) listed in 40 CFR Table 302.4 or nondesignated RCRA ICR substance(s). (Nondesignated ICR substances apply to materials that will not be reused.) The Reportable Quantity(s) (RQ) are listed below. Releases in excess of its reportable quantity must be reported to the National Response Center (1-800-424-8802) and to the appropriate state and local emergency response organizations.

CERCLA Components: Methyl methacrylate 80-62-6 1,000 lbs RQ

**US. Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)** All components of this product are in compliance with the inventory listing requirements of the U.S. Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Chemical Substance Inventory.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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**Further information****MONOMER END USES**

Acrylic and methacrylic monomers are industrial chemicals and intended for industrial use only. They are not intended for direct consumer, medical, cosmetic, or personal uses. Exposure to high levels of acrylic or methacrylic monomer vapors may cause respiratory tract irritation, skin sensitization, or other effects.

**DO NOT USE IN APPLICATIONS INVOLVING IMPLANTATION IN THE HUMAN BODY OR PROLONGED CONTACT WITH INTERNAL BODY FLUIDS OR TISSUES. DO NOT USE FOR IN-SITU POLYMERIZATIONS ON, OR ADHESION TO, ANY HUMAN BODY PART.** Rohm and Haas Company's acrylic and methacrylic monomers are not designed or manufactured for these uses.

Rohm and Haas Company does not recommend the use of acrylic or methacrylic monomers in medical applications or artificial fingernail extension or replacement applications. Rohm and Haas Company has neither sought, nor received, approval from the FDA or any other agency for these applications. Rohm and Haas Company has not performed technical or clinical testing on the suitability of acrylic or methacrylic monomers in uses involving prolonged contact with human tissues or in artificial fingernail extension or replacement applications. Use of unpolymerized, liquid acrylic or methacrylic monomers in artificial fingernail extension or replacement applications may result in loosening, shedding, fungal infection of nails.

**ACRYLIC AND METHACRYLIC POLYMERS ARE USED SAFELY IN A WIDE VARIETY OF APPLICATIONS, INCLUDING PERSONAL CARE AND HYGIENE PRODUCTS.**

If you have any questions concerning the safe use of acrylic and methacrylic monomers, please call the manufacturer.



**Hazard Rating**

	<b>Health</b>	<b>Fire</b>	<b>Reactivity</b>
<b>HMIS</b>	2*	3	2

**Legend**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
BAC	Butyl acetate
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
STEL	Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL):
TLV	Threshold Limit Value
TWA	Time Weighted Average (TWA):
	Bar denotes a revision from prior MSDS.

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