Material Safety Data Sheet
Acetyl chloride

ACC# 95847

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Acetyl chloride  
**Catalog Numbers:** AC151270000, AC151270010, AC151270025, AC151275000, AC219470000, AC219470250, AC219472500, A27-250  
**Synonyms:** Acetic acid chloride; Ethanoyl chloride.  
**Company Identification:**  
Fisher Scientific  
1 Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
**For information, call:** 201-796-7100  
**Emergency Number:** 201-796-7100  
**For CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 800-424-9300  
**For International CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 703-527-3887

Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

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Section 3 - Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Appearance: APHA: 10 max liquid. Flash Point: 4 deg C.  
**Danger!** Reacts violently with water. Causes burns by all exposure routes. **Flammable liquid and vapor.** Harmful if swallowed.  
**Target Organs:** Respiratory system, gastrointestinal system, eyes, skin.

**Potential Health Effects**

**Eye:** Causes eye burns. Lachrymator (substance which increases the flow of tears).  
**Skin:** Causes skin burns. May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.  
**Ingestion:** Harmful if swallowed. Causes gastrointestinal tract burns.  
**Inhalation:** Causes chemical burns to the respiratory tract. Inhalation may be fatal as a result of spasm, inflammation, edema of the larynx and bronchi, chemical pneumonitis and pulmonary edema. May be harmful if inhaled. Can produce delayed pulmonary edema.  
**Chronic:** Laboratory experiments have resulted in mutagenic effects.
Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid immediately.

**Skin:** Get medical aid immediately. Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes.

**Ingestion:** Do not induce vomiting. Get medical aid immediately. Call a poison control center.

**Inhalation:** Get medical aid immediately. Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device.

**Notes to Physician:** Treat symptomatically and supportively.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**General Information:** As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. Vapors may form an explosive mixture with air. Vapors can travel to a source of ignition and flash back. Will burn if involved in a fire. Water reactive. Material will react with water and may release a flammable and/or toxic gas. Containers may explode in the heat of a fire. Flammable liquid and vapor. Reacts violently with water.

**Extinguishing Media:** Do NOT use alcohol foams. Use carbon dioxide or dry chemical. DO NOT USE WATER!

**Flash Point:** 4 deg C (39.20 deg F)

**Autoignition Temperature:** 390 deg C (734.00 deg F)

**Explosion Limits, Lower:** 7.3 vol %

**Upper:** 19 vol %

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 3; Flammability: 3; Instability: 2; Special Hazard: -W-

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**General Information:** Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

**Spills/Leaks:** Absorb spill with inert material (e.g. vermiculite, sand or earth), then place in suitable container. Wear a self contained breathing apparatus and appropriate personal protection. (See Exposure Controls, Personal Protection section). Remove all sources of ignition. Use a spark-proof tool. Do not expose spill to water. Do not get water inside containers. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Do not allow water to get into the container because of violent reaction. Use spark-proof tools and explosion proof equipment. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Do not ingest or inhale. Do not allow contact with water. Use only in a chemical fume hood.

**Storage:** Keep away from sources of ignition. Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a tightly closed container. Flammables-area. Water free area. Store under nitrogen.

http://fscimage.fishersci.com/msds/95847.htm
Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:** Use explosion-proof ventilation equipment. Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use only under a chemical fume hood.

**Exposure Limits**

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**OSHA Vacated PELs:** Acetyl chloride: No OSHA Vacated PELs are listed for this chemical.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

- **Eyes:** 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.
- **Skin:** Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure.
- **Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.
- **Respirators:** A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or European Standard EN 149 must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant respirator use.

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State:** Liquid

**Appearance:** APHA: 10 max

**Odor:** Pungent odor

**pH:** Not available.

**Vapor Pressure:** 320 mbar @ 20 deg C

**Vapor Density:** 2.7 (air=1)

**Evaporation Rate:** Not available.

**Viscosity:** Not available.

**Boiling Point:** 51 deg C @ 760 mmHg

**Freezing/Melting Point:** -112 deg C

**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available.

**Solubility:** Reacts.

**Specific Gravity/Density:** 1.100

**Molecular Formula:** C2H3ClO

**Molecular Weight:** 78.5

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Reacts violently with water.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Incompatible materials, ignition sources, excess heat, exposure to moist air or water.

**Incompatibilities with Other Materials:** Strong bases, strong oxidizing agents, alcohols, amines, water, dimethyl sulfoxide, organic acids, phenols.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Hydrogen chloride, phosgene, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide,
acetic acid.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

### Section 11 - Toxicological Information

**RTECS#:**
CAS# 75-36-5: AO6390000

**LD50/LC50:**
CAS# 75-36-5:
- Oral, rat: LD50 = 910 mg/kg;

**Carcinogenicity:**
CAS# 75-36-5: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

**Epidemiology:** No information found

**Teratogenicity:** No information found

**Reproductive Effects:** No information found

**Mutagenicity:** Mutagenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

**Neurotoxicity:** No information found

**Other Studies:**

### Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** No data available. No information available.

**Environmental:** No information available.

**Physical:** No information available.

**Other:** Do not empty into drains.

### Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**RCRA P-Series:** None listed.

**RCRA U-Series:**
CAS# 75-36-5: waste number U006 (Corrosive waste, Reactive waste, Toxic waste).

### Section 14 - Transport Information

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Section 15 - Regulatory Information

US FEDERAL

TSCA
    CAS# 75-36-5 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

Health & Safety Reporting List
    None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

Chemical Test Rules
    CAS# 75-36-5: 40 CFR 799.5085

Section 12b
    CAS# 75-36-5: Section 4, 1 % de minimus concentration

TSCA Significant New Use Rule
    None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs
    CAS# 75-36-5: 5000 lb final RQ; 2270 kg final RQ

SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances
    None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

SARA Codes
    CAS # 75-36-5: immediate, delayed, fire, reactive.

Section 313
    No chemicals are reportable under Section 313.

Clean Air Act:
    This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants.
    This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depletors.
    This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depletors.

Clean Water Act:
    None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA.
    None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Priority Pollutants under the CWA.
    None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Toxic Pollutants under the CWA.

OSHA:
    None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

STATE
    CAS# 75-36-5 can be found on the following state right to know lists: New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts.

California Prop 65

California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

European/International Regulations

European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

Hazard Symbols:
    F C

Risk Phrases:
    R 11 Highly flammable.
    R 14 Reacts violently with water.
    R 34 Causes burns.
Safety Phrases:
S 16 Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.
S 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
S 45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).
S 9 Keep container in a well-ventilated place.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)
CAS# 75-36-5: 1

Canada - DSL/NDSL
CAS# 75-36-5 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

Canada - WHMIS
This product has a WHMIS classification of B2, E, F.
This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all of the information required by those regulations.

Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List

Section 16 - Additional Information

MSDS Creation Date: 9/02/1997
Revision #10 Date: 3/04/2008

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