Material Safety Data Sheet
Isoamyl alcohol

ACC# 11550

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Isoamyl alcohol  
**Catalog Numbers:** AC126480000, AC126480010, AC126480025, AC126485000, AC412720000, AC412720010, AC412720030, AC412730000, AC412735000, S75040, S79903, S93407, A393-4, A393-500, BP1150-500, NC9318819  
**Synonyms:** Isopentyl alcohol; 3-Methyl-1-butanol; Isoamyl alcohol; Isopentanol; Isobutylcarbinol.  
**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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<td>Isoamyl alcohol</td>
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Section 3 - Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Appearance: clear, colorless liquid. Flash Point: 43 deg C.  
**Warning!** Flammable liquid and vapor. Causes eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritation. May be harmful if swallowed or inhaled. Aspiration hazard if swallowed. Can enter lungs and cause damage. May cause central nervous system depression.  
**Target Organs:** Central nervous system, lungs, eyes, skin.

**Potential Health Effects**

**Eye:** Causes eye irritation.  
**Skin:** Causes skin irritation. Prolonged or repeated contact may dry/defat the skin and cause irritation.  
**Ingestion:** May cause gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Aspiration of material into the lungs may cause chemical pneumonitis, which may be fatal. May cause a narcotic effect with possible coma. May be harmful if swallowed.  
**Inhalation:** Causes respiratory tract irritation. May cause visual abnormalities. May be harmful if inhaled. Causes narcotic effects including headache, dizziness, weakness, unconsciousness.
**Chronic:** No information found.

### Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical aid.

**Skin:** In case of contact, flush skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid if irritation develops and persists. Wash clothing before reuse.

**Ingestion:** Potential for aspiration if swallowed. Get medical aid immediately. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If vomiting occurs naturally, have victim lean forward.

**Inhalation:** If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

**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. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. Containers may explode if exposed to fire. Vapors are heavier than air and may travel to a source of ignition and flash back. Vapors can spread along the ground and collect in low or confined areas.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or alcohol-resistant foam.

**Flash Point:** 43 deg C (109.40 deg F)

**Autoignition Temperature:** 350 deg C (662.00 deg F)

**Explosion Limits, Lower:** 1.2

**Upper:** 9.0 @ 100°C

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 1; Flammability: 2; Instability: 0

### 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. Remove all sources of ignition. Use a spark-proof tool. Provide ventilation. A vapor suppressing foam may be used to reduce vapors. Prevent spreading of vapors through sewers, ventilation systems and confined areas.

### Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Use with adequate ventilation. Ground and bond containers when transferring material. Use spark-proof tools and explosion proof equipment. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose empty containers to heat, sparks or open flames. Avoid breathing vapor or mist.

**Storage:** Keep away from sources of ignition. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from
incompatible substances. Flammables-area.

**Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection**

**Engineering Controls:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use adequate general or local exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below the permissible exposure limits.

**Exposure Limits**

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**OSHA Vacated PELs:** Isoamyl alcohol: 100 ppm TWA; 360 mg/m3 TWA

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eyes:** Wear chemical splash goggles.

**Skin:** Wear appropriate gloves to prevent skin exposure.

**Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respirators:** 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.

**Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties**

**Physical State:** Liquid

**Appearance:** clear, colorless

**Odor:** strong odor - disagreeable odor

**pH:** Not available.

**Vapor Pressure:** 2.37 mm Hg @ 25 deg C

**Vapor Density:** 3.04 (air=1)

**Evaporation Rate:** 0.03 (ether=1)

**Viscosity:** 4.37 cps @ 20 deg C

**Boiling Point:** 130 deg C

**Freezing/Melting Point:** -117 deg C

**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available.

**Solubility:** 2g/100ml @ 14°C.

**Specific Gravity/Density:** 0.8 (water=1)

**Molecular Formula:** C5H12O

**Molecular Weight:** 88.15

**Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity**

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Ignition sources, excess heat.

**Incompatibilities with Other Materials:** Strong oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Carbon monoxide, irritating and toxic fumes and gases, carbon dioxide.

http://fscimage.fishersci.com/msds/11550.htm
Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS#: 
CAS# 123-51-3: EL5425000
LD50/LC50:
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- Draize test, rabbit, eye: 20 mg/24H Moderate;
- Draize test, rabbit, skin: 20 mg/24H Moderate;
- Oral, rabbit: LD50 = 3438 mg/kg;
- Oral, rat: LD50 = 1300 mg/kg;
- Oral, rat: LD50 = 4300 mg/kg;
- Skin, rabbit: LD50 = 3970 uL/kg;

Carcinogenicity:
CAS# 123-51-3: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

Epidemiology: No information available.
Teratogenicity: No information available.
Reproductive Effects: No information available.
Mutagenicity: No information available.
Neurotoxicity: No information available.
Other Studies:

Section 12 - Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: No data available. Goldfish (fresh water) 100ppm/82H (Lethal) Creek chub (river water) 400-600ppm/24H (Critical range)
Physical: No information available.
Other: No information available.

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: None listed.

Section 14 - Transport Information
Section 15 - Regulatory Information

US FEDERAL

TSCA
CAS# 123-51-3 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

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

Chemical Test Rules
None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.

Section 12b
None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

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

CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs
None of the chemicals in this material have an RQ.

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

SARA Codes
CAS # 123-51-3: immediate, fire.

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# 123-51-3 can be found on the following state right to know lists: California, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, 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:
XN

Risk Phrases:
- R 10 Flammable.
- R 20/22 Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.

Safety Phrases:
- S 16 Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)
- CAS# 123-51-3: 1

Canada - DSL/NDSL
- CAS# 123-51-3 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

Canada - WHMIS
- This product has a WHMIS classification of B3, D2B.
- 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
- CAS# 123-51-3 is listed on the Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List.

Section 16 - Additional Information

MSDS Creation Date: 2/20/1998
Revision #10 Date: 12/10/2007

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