Material Safety Data Sheet
tert-Amyl alcohol

ACC# 22860

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** tert-Amyl alcohol  
**Catalog Numbers:** AC166620000, AC166620010, AC166620025, AC220230000, AC220230010, AC220230050, A730-1, NC9025733, NC9092369, NC9172140, NC9252979, NC9981307, XXA730200LI/T, XXA730200LIX, XXA73020LI, XXA730P20LI  
**Synonyms:** tert-Pentanol; Ethyl dimethyl carbinol; 2-Methyl-2-butanol; 1,1-Dimethyl-1-propanol; Amylene hydrate; Dimethylethylcarbinol; t-Pentyl alcohol; 2-Methylbutan-2-ol.  
**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: clear, colorless liquid. Flash Point: 20 deg C.  
**Warning!** Flammable liquid and vapor. Causes eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritation. May be harmful if swallowed, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin. May cause central nervous system depression. Light sensitive.  
**Target Organs:** Central nervous system, respiratory system, skin.

**Potential Health Effects**

Eye: Causes eye irritation.  
Skin: Causes skin irritation. Prolonged and/or repeated contact may cause defatting of the skin and dermatitis. May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.  
Ingestion: May cause central nervous system depression, characterized by excitement, followed by headache, dizziness, drowsiness, and nausea. Advanced stages may cause collapse, unconsciousness, coma and possible death due to respiratory failure. May be harmful if swallowed.
**Inhalation:** Causes respiratory tract irritation. May cause central nervous system effects including vertigo, anxiety, depression, muscle incoordination, and emotional instability. May cause effects similar to those described for ingestion.

**Chronic:** Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause dermatitis. Narcotic in high concentrations.

### Section 4 - First Aid Measures

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

**Skin:** Get medical aid if irritation develops or persists. Wash clothing before reuse. Flush skin with plenty of soap and water.

**Ingestion:** Do not induce vomiting. If victim is conscious and alert, give 2-4 cupfuls of milk or water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical aid immediately.

**Inhalation:** Get medical aid immediately. Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do NOT use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

**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 can travel to a source of ignition and flash back. During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. Water may be ineffective. Material is lighter than water and a fire may be spread by the use of water. Flammable liquid and vapor. Vapors may be heavier than air. They can spread along the ground and collect in low or confined areas. Containers may explode if exposed to fire.

**Extinguishing Media:** For small fires, use dry chemical, carbon dioxide, water spray or alcohol-resistant foam. Water may be ineffective. For large fires, use water spray, fog or alcohol-resistant foam. Do NOT use straight streams of water. Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out.

**Flash Point:** 20 deg C (68.00 deg F)

**Autoignition Temperature:** 435 deg C (815.00 deg F)

**Explosion Limits, Lower:** 1.30 vol %

**Upper:** 9.60 vol %

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 1; Flammability: 3; 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. Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches which lead to waterways. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Remove all sources of ignition. Use a spark-proof tool. Provide ventilation. A vapor suppressing foam may be used to reduce vapors.

### Section 7 - Handling and Storage
Handling: Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Do not ingest or inhale. Prevent build up of vapors to explosive concentration. Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose empty containers to heat, sparks or open flames.


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 ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

Exposure Limits

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OSHA Vacated PELs: 2-Methyl-2-butanol: 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: clear, colorless
Odor: camphor - sharp odor - unpleasant odor
pH: Not available.
Vapor Pressure: 16.8 mm Hg @ 25 deg C
Vapor Density: 3.04 (air=1)
Evaporation Rate: Not available.
Viscosity: 3.79 cps @ 25 deg C
Boiling Point: 102 deg C @ 760 mmHg
Freezing/Melting Point:-12 deg C
Decomposition Temperature: Not available.
Solubility: 120 g/L @ 20°C
Specific Gravity/Density: .800 g/ml
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.
Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS#: 
CAS# 75-85-4: SC0175000
LD50/LC50:
CAS# 75-85-4:
  - Oral, rabbit: LD50 = 2028 mg/kg;
  - Oral, rat: LD50 = 1 gm/kg;
  - Oral, rat: LD50 = 1000 mg/kg;

  Skin, rabbit:
Carcinogenicity:
CAS# 75-85-4: 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. No information available.
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

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Section 15 - Regulatory Information

**US FEDERAL**

**TSCA**
CAS# 75-85-4 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 # 75-85-4: 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# 75-85-4 can be found on the following state right to know lists: 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:

XN F

Risk Phrases:

R 11 Highly flammable.
R 37/38 Irritating to respiratory system and skin.
R 20 Harmful by inhalation.

Safety Phrases:

S 46 If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)

CAS# 75-85-4: 1

Canada - DSL/NDSL

CAS# 75-85-4 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

Canada - WHMIS

This product has a WHMIS classification of B2, 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

Section 16 - Additional Information

MSDS Creation Date: 3/02/1998
Revision #6 Date: 6/06/2006

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