

XYLENE

9690-LIQUID

# Safety Data Sheet

## Section 1: Identification

### Product Identifier and Other Means of Identification

**Product Identifier:** Xylene**SDS Code:** 9690-Liquid**Related Part #** 9690-945ML, 9690-3.78L

### Recommended Use and Restriction on Use

**Use:** Solvent**Uses Advised Against:** Not available

### Details of Manufacturer or Importer

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### Emergency Phone Number

**For hazardous material incidents ONLY** (leaks, spills, fires, exposures or accidents)  
USA or CANADA—Call Verisk 3E at **+1-866-519-4752** or **+1-760-476-3962**  
(Service access code: 335388)

**For emergencies involving the transport of dangerous goods;** 24/7 service  
CANADA—Call CANUTEC collect at **+1-613-996-6666** or **\*666** on cellular phones

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**Section 2: Hazard(s) Identification**

**Classification of Hazardous Chemical**



**GHS Categories**

Criteria		Category	Signal Word	Pictograms
Aspiration Hazard		1	Danger	Health
Specific Target Organ Toxicity	Repeated Exposure	2	Warning	Health
Carcinogenicity		2	Warning	Health
Flammable Liquid		3	Warning	Flame
Eye Irritation		2A	Warning	Exclamation
Skin Irritation		2	Warning	Exclamation
Specific Target Organ Toxicity	Single Exposure	3	Warning	Exclamation
Acute Toxicity	Dermal <sup>a)</sup>	4	Warning	Exclamation
Acute Toxicity	Inhalation <sup>a)</sup>	4	Warning	Exclamation
Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment	Chronic	3	None	None

*Note:* The degree of severity is ranked within each hazard class from 1 (Highest Severity) to up to 5 (Lowest Severity). Severity categories rankings do not allow comparisons between classes.

a) CLP Annex VI mandated classifications

**Label Elements**


Signal Word	<b>DANGER</b>
Pictograms	Hazard Statements
	H304: May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways H351: Suspected of causing cancer H373: May cause damage to liver, kidney, and inner ears through prolonged or repeated exposure
	H226: Flammable liquid and vapor

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<b>Pictograms</b>	<b>Hazard Statements</b>
	<p>H319: Causes serious eye irritation H315: Causes skin irritation H335: May cause respiratory irritation H312 + H332: Harmful in contact with skin or if inhaled</p>
<p>No Symbol Mandated</p>	<p>H412: Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects</p>
<b>Prevention</b>	<b>Precautionary Statements</b>
<p>P201</p>	<p>Obtain special instructions before use.</p>
<p>P202</p>	<p>Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.</p>
<p>P210</p>	<p>Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.</p>
<p>P260</p>	<p>Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray/fumes.</p>
<p>P233</p>	<p>Keep container tightly closed.</p>
<p>P240</p>	<p>Ground and bond container and receiving equipment.</p>
<p>P241</p>	<p>Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment.</p>
<p>P243</p>	<p>Take action to prevent static discharges.</p>
<p>P271</p>	<p>Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.</p>
<p>P280</p>	<p>Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.</p>
<p>P264</p>	<p>Wash hands thoroughly after handling.</p>
<p>P273</p>	<p>Avoid release to the environment.</p>

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<b>Response</b>	<b>Precautionary Statements</b>
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry chemical, carbon dioxide, water fog, or chemical foam to extinguish.
P308 + P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.
P301 + P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P331	Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P352	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Wash with plenty of water/shower.
P332 + P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P312	Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
<b>Storage</b>	<b>Precautionary Statements</b>
P403 + P235	Store in well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405	Store locked up.
<b>Disposal</b>	<b>Precautionary Statements</b>
P501	Dispose of contents/container in accordance to local/regional/international regulations.

**Hazards Not Otherwise Classified**

<b>Other Criteria</b>	<b>Hazard Statements/Precautionary Statement</b>	<b>Signal Word</b>	<b>Pictograms</b>
Defats skin	Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking.	None	None

**Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients**

<b>CAS #</b>	<b>Chemical Name</b>	<b>%(weight)</b>
1330-20-7	xylene (mixed isomers)	70-80%
100-41-4	ethylbenzene	20-30%

**XYLENE****9690-LIQUID****Section 4: First-Aid Measures**

<i>Exposure Condition</i>	<i>GHS Code: Precautionary Statement</i>
<b>IF SWALLOWED</b>	P301 + P310, P331
<b>Immediate Symptoms</b>	<i>May cause a burning sensation, abdominal pain, nausea, and headaches (see also inhalation symptoms).</i>
<b>Response</b>	Immediately call a POISON CENTRE/doctor. Do NOT induce vomiting.
<b>IF ON SKIN (or hair)</b>	P303 + P361 + P352, P332 + P313, P308 + P313, P363
<b>Immediate Symptoms</b>	<i>redness, irritation, dry skin</i>
<b>Response</b>	Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Wash with plenty of water/shower.  If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.  IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.  Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
<b>IF INHALED</b>	P304 + P340, P312
<b>Immediate Symptoms</b>	<i>irritation of the respiratory track, cough, dizziness, drowsiness, headaches, (in extreme exposure cases: unconsciousness and death)</i>
<b>Response</b>	Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.
<b>IF IN EYES</b>	P305 + P351 + P338, P337 + P313
<b>Immediate Symptoms</b>	<i>redness, severe irritation, pain</i>
<b>Response</b>	Rinse cautiously with water for at least 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

**XYLENE****9690-LIQUID****Section 5: Fire-Fighting Measures**

<b>Extinguishing Media</b>	In case of fire: Use dry chemical, carbon dioxide, chemical foam, or water spray to extinguish.  Use water spray to cool containers.
<b>Specific Hazards</b>	The vapors are heavier than air and may accumulate in low-lying areas. Vapors may travel long distances and ignite at an ignition source, which can cause a flashback or an explosion.
<b>Combustion Products</b>	Produces carbon oxides (CO, CO <sub>2</sub> ).
<b>Fire-Fighter</b>	Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full fire-fighting turn-out gear.

**Section 6: Accidental Release Measures**

<b>Personal Protection</b>	See personal protection recommendations in Section 8.
<b>Precautions for Response</b>	Remove or keep away all sources of extreme heat or open flames. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Avoid releasing to the environment. Prevent spill from entering drains and waterways.
<b>Containment</b>	Contain with inert absorbent (such as soil, sand, vermiculite).
<b>Cleaning</b>	Collect the liquid in a sealable, solvent-resistant container with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner, chemical absorbent, or chemical spill pad.  <b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> Use a grounded stainless steel or carbon steel container.
<b>Disposal</b>	Dispose of spill waste according to Section 13.

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**Section 7: Handling and Storage**

**Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.

Ground and bond container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray/fumes. Use only outdoors or in well-ventilated area. In cases of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

Avoid release to the environment.

**Handling**

Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.

Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

**Storage**

Keep container tightly closed.

Store in a well-ventilated area. Keep cool.

Store locked up.

**Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

**Substances with Occupational Exposure Limit Values**

Chemical Name	Country/ Provinces	Long Term Exposure Limits (PEL)	Short Term Exposure Limits (STEL)
xylene (mixed isomers)	ACGIH	100 ppm	150 ppm
	U.S.A. OSHA PEL	100 ppm	Not established
	Canada AB	100 ppm	150 ppm
	Canada BC	100 ppm	150 ppm
	Canada ON	100 ppm	150 ppm
	Canada QC	100 ppm	150 ppm

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Chemical Name	Country/ Provinces	Long Term Exposure Limits (PEL)	Short Term Exposure Limits (STEL)
ethylbenzene	ACGIH	20 ppm	Not established
	U.S.A. OSHA PEL	100 ppm	Not established
	Canada AB	100 ppm	125 ppm
	Canada BC	20 ppm (2B)	Not established
	Canada ON	100 ppm	125 ppm
	Canada QC	100 ppm	125 ppm

*Note:* Ingredients are listed in descending weight contribution order (from greatest to least). The ACGIH<sup>1</sup>, OSHA (Table Z-1), and Canadian provinces exposure limits were consulted. Limits from the RTECS<sup>2</sup> database and from suppliers' SDS were also consulted. Short term exposure limits (STEL) are for 15 min and long term permissible exposure limits (PEL) for 8 h.  
(2B) Carcinogen

**Engineering Controls**

**Ventilation** Keep airborne concentrations below the occupational exposure limits (OEL).

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eye protection** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Use safety glasses with lateral protection (side shields).

**Skin Protection** For incidental contacts, use disposable nitrile, neoprene, or other chemically resistant gloves.

**Respiratory Protection** For over-exposures up to 10 x OEL of mist/vapors/spray, wear respirator such as a half-mask respirator with organic vapor cartridges and particulate filter.

Above 10 x OEL, use a positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator or a self-contained breathing apparatus.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Consult your local safety supply store to ensure that your respirator has a NIOSH (U.S.) approved filter cartridges appropriate for the ingredients listed in Section 3. The respirator should be fitted to the employee by a professional. Ensure vapor cartridges are stored in sealed plastic bags when not being used.

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**General Hygiene Considerations**

Wash hands thoroughly with water and soap after handling.

**Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid	<b>Lower Flammability Limit</b>	1%
<b>Appearance</b>	Colorless	<b>Upper Flammability Limit</b>	6.6%
<b>Odor</b>	Aromatic	<b>Vapor Pressure @20 °C</b>	1.06 kPa [7.95 mmHg]
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	≥0.324 ppm	<b>Vapor Density</b>	3.66 (Air = 1)
<b>pH</b>	Not available	<b>Specific Gravity @25 °C</b>	0.87
<b>Freezing/Melting Point</b>	-47 °C [-53 °F]	<b>Solubility in Water</b>	Negligible
<b>Boiling Point</b>	137 °C [279 °F]	<b>Partition Coefficient</b>	3.16
<b>Flash Point <sup>a)</sup></b>	25 °C [77 °F]	<b>Auto-ignition Temperature</b>	500 °C [932 °F]
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	0.86 (ButAc = 1)	<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	Not available
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	Not available	<b>Viscosity @40 °C</b>	<20.5 mm <sup>2</sup> /s

a) Tag closed cup

**XYLENE****9690-LIQUID****Section 10: Stability and Reactivity**

<b>Reactivity</b>	Not available
<b>Chemical Stability</b>	Chemically stable at normal temperatures and pressures
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Ignition sources, excessive heat, and incompatible substances. Vapors may form explosive mixture with air.
<b>Incompatibilities</b>	strong oxidizing agents, strong acids, strong bases
<b>Polymerization</b>	Will not occur
<b>Decomposition</b>	Will not decompose under normal conditions. For thermal decomposition, see combustion products in Section 5.

**Section 11: Toxicological Information****Summary of Effects and Symptoms by Routes of Exposure**

<b>Ingestion</b>	May cause a burning sensation, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting (See also inhalation symptoms).
<b>Skin</b>	Causes skin redness, skin irritation, and dry skin.
<b>Inhalation</b>	May cause irritation of the respiratory track, cough, dizziness, drowsiness, and headaches ( <i>in extreme overexposure cases: unconsciousness and death</i> ).
<b>Eyes</b>	Causes redness, severe irritation, and pain.
<b>Chronic</b>	<p>Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause skin dryness and cracking, defat skin, and local redness and discomfort.</p> <p>Prolonged and repeated exposure is possibly carcinogenic based on inhalation studies on rats.</p> <p>Prolonged or repeated overexposure may damage the liver and kidneys.</p> <p>Long term exposure to loud noises and product vapors may lead to some hearing loss.</p>

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**Acute Toxicity (Lethal Exposure Concentrations)**

Chemical Name	LD50 oral	LD50 dermal	LC50 inhalation
xylene	4 350 mg/kg Rat	>5 000 mg/kg Rabbit	5 000 ppm 4 h Rat
ethylbenzene	3 500 mg/kg Rat	>5 000 mg/kg Rabbit	35 500 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 2h Mouse

Note: Toxicity data from the RTECS<sup>2</sup> and ECHA were consulted. The data from supplier SDS were also consulted.

**Other Toxicological Effects**

<b>Skin corrosion/irritation</b>	Causes skin irritation.
<b>Serious eye damage/irritation</b>	Causes severe eye irritation.
<b>Sensitization</b> (allergic reactions)	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b> (risk of cancer)	<p><b>Ethylbenzene [100-41-4]</b></p> <p>IARC Group 2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans</p> <p>ACGIH A3: Confirmed animal carcinogen with unknown relevance to humans</p> <p>CA Prop 65: Listed as a carcinogen</p> <p>NTP: Not listed</p>
<b>Mutagenicity</b> (risk of heritable genetic effects)	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Reproductive Toxicity</b> (risk to sex functions)	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Teratogenicity</b> (risk of fetus malformation)	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>STOT-single exposure</b>	Xylene isomers can affect the central nervous system by inhalation causing drowsiness or dizziness. They are a respiratory system irritant.

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- STOT-repeated exposure** Prolonged or repeated over-exposure to p-xylene and ethylbenzene and noise can lead to hearing loss (cochlear impairment) according to rat inhalation studies.
- Prolonged or repeated over-exposure to xylenes can damage the liver, kidneys, and central nervous system.
- At high levels of exposures, ethylbenzene causes damage of the liver.
- Aspiration hazard** The liquid content is classified as Cat 1 aspiration hazards.

**Section 12: Ecological Information**

Ecological classifications are based on the IMDG/GHS criteria in conjunction with ecotoxicological data from our suppliers, the European Chemical Agency database (<http://echa.europa.eu>), and other reliable sources.

Xylene isomers mixture is acutely toxic to the aquatic environment of category 2 with a minimal LC50 96 h of 2.5 mg/L for *Oncorhynchus mykiss* (rainbow trout).

Ethylbenzene is an acute category 2 environmental toxicant with minimal LC50 96 h of 4.2 mg/L for *Oncorhynchus mykiss* (rainbow trout); EC50 48 h of 2.9 mg/L and 7d NOEL of 0.91 mg/L *Daphnia magna* (water flea).

**Acute Ecotoxicity**

See chronic ecotoxicity

**Chronic Ecotoxicity**

Category 3

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Avoid release to the environment.

**Biodegradability**

Readily biodegradable. Product is volatile and only slightly soluble in water. In water and soil, it is biodegradable under both aerobic and anaerobic condition. Photooxidation in the atmosphere are typically in the range of 0.5 to 1.5 days.

**Other Effects**

VOC (EPA, WHIMS, and Europe) = 100% (870 g/L)

\*VOC = Regulated Volatile Organic Content

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**Section 13: Disposal Information**

Dispose of contents in accordance with all local, regional, national, and international regulations.

**Section 14: Transport Information**

**Ground**

**Refer to TDG regulations** (Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods regulations);  
**USA DOT 49 CFR** (Parts 100 to 185) **Regulations.**

Sizes 5 L and under  
**Limited Quantity**



Sizes greater than 5 L  
**UN number:** UN1307  
**Shipping Name:** XYLENES  
**Class:** 3  
**Packing Group:** III  
**Marine Pollutant:** No



**Air**

**Refer to ICAO-IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations.**

Sizes 5 L and under  
Limited Quantity  
Total net quantity  
per package 10 L



Sizes up to 60 L (passenger), 120 L (cargo)  
**UN number:** UN1307  
**Shipping Name:** XYLENES  
**Class:** 3  
**Packing Group:** III  
**Marine Pollutant:** No



**Sea**

**Refer to IMDG regulations.**

Sizes 5 L and under  
Limited Quantity



Packing instructions  
P001

Sizes greater than 5 liter  
**UN number:** UN1307  
**Shipping Name:** XYLENES  
**Class:** 3  
**Packing Group:** III  
**Marine Pollutant:** No



**Note: Shipper must be appropriately trained and certified before involvement with the transport of dangerous goods.**

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**Section 15: Regulatory Information**

**Canada**

**Domestic Substance List (DSL) / Non-Domestic Substance Lists (NDSL)**

All hazardous ingredients are listed on the DSL/NDSL.

**Hazardous Products Act (R.S.C., 1985, c. H-3)**

The safety data sheet and label comply with the Hazardous Product Act and WHMIS 2015.

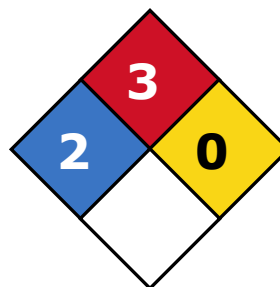
**USA**

**Other Classifications**

**HMIS® RATING**

<b>HEALTH:</b>	* 2
<b>FLAMMABILITY:</b>	3
<b>PHYSICAL HAZARD:</b>	0
<b>PERSONAL PROTECTION:</b>	

**NFPA® 704 CODES**



*Approximate HMIS and NFPA Risk Ratings Legend:*

0 (Low or none); 1 (Slight); 2 (Moderate); 3 (Serious); 4 (Severe)

**CAA** (Clean Air Act, USA)

This product does not contain any class 1 ozone depleting substances.

This product does not contain any class 2 ozone depleting substances.

This product contains ethylbenzene and xylene that are listed as hazardous air pollutants.

**EPCRA** (Emergency Planning and Right to Know Act, USA, 40 CFR 372.45)

This product contains ethylbenzene (CAS # 100-41-4; reportable quantity = 1 000 lb) and xylene (CAS# 1330-20-7, reportable quantity = 100 lb), which are subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 Title III of the SARA of 1986 and 40 CFR part 372.

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**XYLENE****9690-LIQUID****TSCA** (Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976, USA)

All substances are TSCA listed.

**California Proposition 65** (Chemicals known to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity, USA).

This product contains ethylbenzene (CAS # 100-41-4), which is listed as a carcinogen.

**Europe****RoHS** (Restriction of Hazardous Substances Directive)

This product does not contain any lead, cadmium, mercury, hexavalent chromium, PBB's, PBDE's, DEHP, BBP, DBP, or DIBP and complies with European RoHS regulations.

**WEEE** (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive)

This product is not a piece of electrical or electronics equipment, and is therefore not governed by this regulation.

**Section 16: Other Information**

<b>SDS Prepared by</b>	MG Chemical's Regulatory Department
<b>Date</b>	12 March 2020
<b>Supersedes</b>	29 September 2016
<b>Reason for Changes:</b>	Update to the emergency phone number information.

**References**

1) ACGIH 2017 TLVs and BEIs: Based on the documentation of the threshold limit values for chemical substances and physical agents & biological exposure indices, American Conference of Governmental of Industrial Hygienist Cincinnati, OH (2017).

2) All toxicological data were checked against the RTECS (Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances®)

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**XYLENE****9690-LIQUID****Abbreviations**

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (USA)
GHS	Globally Harmonized System of Classification of Labeling of Chemicals
LC50	Lethal Concentration 50%
LCLo	Lowest published lethal concentration
LD50	Lethal Dose 50%
PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
STEL	Short-Term Exposure Limit
TCLo	Lowest published toxic concentration
TWA	Time Weighted Average
VOC	Volatile Organic Content

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