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## Material Safety Data Sheet Glycerol Formal MSDS

### Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

**Product Name:** Glycerol Formal

**Catalog Codes:** SLG1555

**CAS#:** 4740-78-7 and 5464-28-8

**RTECS:** JH8390000

**TSCA:** TSCA 8(b) inventory: No products were found.

**CI#:** Not available.

**Synonym:** Glycerol formal is a mixture of isomeric alpha and beta forms prepared from glycerin and formaldehyde; Methylidynoglycerol; Glicerinformal; Sericosol

**Chemical Name:** Glycerol Formal

**Chemical Formula:** C4-H8-O3

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### Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

**Composition:**

Name	CAS #	% by Weight
Glycerol Formal	4740-78-7 and 5464-28-8	100

**Toxicological Data on Ingredients:** Glycerol Formal: ORAL (LD50): Acute: 8000 mg/kg [Mouse] [RTECS data for 1,3-dioxolane-4-methanol (the isomeric beta form)].

### Section 3: Hazards Identification

**Potential Acute Health Effects:** Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

**Potential Chronic Health Effects:**

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. Repeated or prolonged exposure is not known to aggravate medical condition.

### Section 4: First Aid Measures

**Eye Contact:**

Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

**Skin Contact:**

In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention.

**Serious Skin Contact:**

Wash with a disinfectant soap and cover the contaminated skin with an anti-bacterial cream. Seek medical attention.

**Inhalation:**

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

**Serious Inhalation:** Not available.

**Ingestion:**

Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention if symptoms appear.

**Serious Ingestion:** Not available.

### Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

**Flammability of the Product:** May be combustible at high temperature.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** 400°C (752°F)

**Flash Points:** CLOSED CUP: 97°C (206.6°F).

**Flammable Limits:** Not available.

**Products of Combustion:** These products are carbon oxides (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>).

**Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:**

Slightly flammable to flammable in presence of open flames and sparks, of heat. Non-flammable in presence of shocks.

**Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:**

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

**Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:**

SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. Do not use water jet.

**Special Remarks on Fire Hazards:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:** Not available.

### Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

**Small Spill:** Absorb with an inert material and put the spilled material in an appropriate waste disposal.

**Large Spill:**

Absorb with an inert material and put the spilled material in an appropriate waste disposal. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system.

### Section 7: Handling and Storage

**Precautions:**

Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Empty containers pose a fire risk, evaporate the residue under a fume hood. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not ingest. Do not breathe gas/fumes/ vapor/spray. Wear suitable

protective clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Keep away from incompatibles such as oxidizing agents.

**Storage:**

Hygroscopic. Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area. Do not store above 24°C (75.2°F).

## Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:**

Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are proximal to the work-station location.

**Personal Protection:**

Splash goggles. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

**Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:**

Splash goggles. Full suit. Vapor respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

**Exposure Limits:** Not available.

## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical state and appearance:** Liquid.

**Odor:** Odorless.

**Taste:** Not available.

**Molecular Weight:** 104.11 g/mole

**Color:** Colorless.

**pH (1% soln/water):** Not available.

**Boiling Point:** 194°C (381.2°F)

**Melting Point:** Not available.

**Critical Temperature:** Not available.

**Specific Gravity:** 1.215 (Water = 1)

**Vapor Pressure:** Not available.

**Vapor Density:** Not available.

**Volatility:** Not available.

**Odor Threshold:** Not available.

**Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.:** Not available.

**Ionicity (in Water):** Not available.

**Dispersion Properties:** Not available.

**Solubility:** Organic solvents

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

**Stability:** The product is stable.

**Instability Temperature:** Not available.

**Conditions of Instability:** Excess heat, incompatible materials, moisture

**Incompatibility with various substances:** Reactive with oxidizing agents.

**Corrosivity:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Reactivity:** Hygroscopic

**Special Remarks on Corrosivity:** Not available.

**Polymerization:** Will not occur.

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

**Routes of Entry:** Absorbed through skin. Eye contact.

**Toxicity to Animals:**

Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 8000 mg/kg [Mouse [RTECS data for 1,3-dioxolane-4-methanol (the isomeric beta form)]].

**Chronic Effects on Humans:** Not available.

**Other Toxic Effects on Humans:** Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

**Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:**

According to the RTECS database, the isomeric beta form (1,3-Dioxolane-4-methanol )may cause adverse reproductive effects (female fertility), and birth defects based on animal data. No information was found for the alpha and beta mixture

**Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:**

Acute Potential Health Effects: Skin: May cause skin irritation. Eyes: Dust may cause eye irritation. Inhalation: May cause respiratory tract irritation. Ingestion: May cause gastrointestinal (digestive) tract irritation. According to the RTECS database, the isomeric beta form (1,3-Dioxolane-4methanol) may affect behavior if ingested. Chronic Potential Health Effects: no information found. The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated.

## Section 12: Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** Not available.

**BOD5 and COD:** Not available.

**Products of Biodegradation:**

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

**Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:** The product itself and its products of degradation are not toxic.

**Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation:** Not available.

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

**Waste Disposal:**

Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

## Section 14: Transport Information

**DOT Classification:** Not a DOT controlled material (United States).

**Identification:** Not applicable.

**Special Provisions for Transport:** Not applicable.

## Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

**Federal and State Regulations:** No products were found.

**Other Regulations:** EINECS: This product is on the European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.

**Other Classifications:**

**WHMIS (Canada):** CLASS D-2B: Material causing other toxic effects (TOXIC).

**DSCL (EEC):**

R36/38- Irritating to eyes and skin. S24/25- Avoid contact with skin and eyes. S28- After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. S37- Wear suitable gloves. S45- In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

**HMIS (U.S.A.):**

**Health Hazard:** 2

**Fire Hazard:** 1

**Reactivity:** 0

**Personal Protection:** h

**National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):**

**Health:** 1

**Flammability:** 1

**Reactivity:** 0

**Specific hazard:**

**Protective Equipment:**

Gloves. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Splash goggles.

## Section 16: Other Information

**References:** Not available.

**Other Special Considerations:** Not available.

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