



Shell Canada Limited

Material Safety Data Sheet

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Class B2 Flammable
Liquid



Class D2A Other Toxic
Effects - Carcinogen

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT: **REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE**
 SYNONYMS: Automotive Fuel
 Petrol
 PRODUCT USE: Fuel
 MSDS Number: 211-001

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2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	% Range	WHMIS Controlled
Gasoline, Natural	8006-61-9	80 - 100	Yes
Benzene	71-43-2	<1.5	Yes

See Section 8 for Occupational Exposure Guidelines.

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Physical Description: Liquid Clear Typical Gasoline Odour

Routes of Exposure: Exposure may occur via inhalation, ingestion, skin absorption and skin or eye contact.

Hazards:

Flammable Liquid.
May cause cancer.
Vapours are moderately irritating to the eyes.
Ingestion may result in vomiting. Avoid aspiration of vomitus into lungs as small quantities may result in aspiration pneumonitis.
May be absorbed by skin contact. Prolonged immersion in liquid may lead to chemical burns.
Vapours are moderately irritating to the respiratory passages. The liquid when accidentally aspirated into the lungs can cause a severe inflammation of the lung.
Excessive exposure to benzene may cause leukemia in man.

Handling:

Eliminate all ignition sources.
Wear suitable gloves and eye protection.
Bond and ground transfer containers and equipment to avoid static accumulation.
Avoid prolonged exposure to vapours.
Empty containers are hazardous, may contain flammable / explosive dusts, liquid residue or vapours. Keep away from sparks and open flames.

For further information on health effects, see Section 11.

4. FIRST AID

- Eyes:** Flush eyes with water for at least 15 minutes while holding eyelids open. If irritation occurs and persists, obtain medical attention.
- Skin:** Wash contaminated skin with mild soap and water for 15 minutes. If irritation occurs and persists, obtain medical attention.
- Ingestion:** DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING! OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY. Guard against aspiration into lungs by having the individual turn on to their left side. If vomiting occurs spontaneously keep head below hips to prevent aspiration of liquid into the lungs.
- Inhalation:** Remove victim from further exposure and restore breathing, if required. Obtain medical attention.
- Notes to Physician:** The main hazard following accidental ingestion is aspiration of the liquid into the lungs producing chemical pneumonitis. If more than 2.0 mL/kg has been ingested, vomiting should be induced with supervision. If symptoms such as loss of gag reflex, convulsions or unconsciousness occur before vomiting, gastric lavage with a cuffed endotracheal tube should be considered.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

- Extinguishing Media:** Dry Chemical
Carbon Dioxide
Foam
Water Fog

Firefighting Instructions: Extremely flammable. Vapour forms a flammable/explosive mixture with air between upper and lower flammable limits. Vapours may travel along ground and flashback along vapour trail may occur. Product will float and can be reignited on surface of water. Do not use water except as a fog. Container areas exposed to direct flame contact should be cooled with large quantities of water as needed to prevent weakening of container structure. Containers exposed to intense heat from fires should be cooled with water to prevent vapour pressure buildup which could result in container rupture. Do not enter confined fire space without adequate protective clothing and an approved positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus.

Hazardous Combustion Products: Carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and unidentified organic compounds may be formed upon combustion.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Issue warning "Flammable". Eliminate all ignition sources. Isolate hazard area and restrict access. Handling equipment must be grounded. Try to work upwind of spill. Avoid direct contact with material. Wear appropriate breathing apparatus (if applicable) and protective clothing. Stop leak only if safe to do so. Dike and contain land spills; contain water spills by booming. Use water fog to knock down vapours; contain runoff. Absorb residue or small spills with absorbent material and remove to non-leaking containers for disposal. Recommended materials: Clay or Sand Flush area with water to remove trace residue. Dispose of recovered material as noted under Disposal Considerations.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling: Extremely flammable. Fixed equipment as well as transfer containers and equipment should be grounded to prevent accumulation of static charge. Avoid all direct contact with this material. Avoid prolonged or repeated inhalation of vapours. Vapours may accumulate and travel to distant ignition sources and flashback. Do not cut, drill, grind, weld or perform similar operations on or near containers. Do not use as a cleaning solvent. Never siphon by mouth. Empty containers are hazardous, may contain flammable/explosive dusts, residues or vapours. Launder contaminated clothing prior to reuse. Wash with soap and water prior to eating, drinking, smoking, applying cosmetics or using toilet facilities.

Storage: Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, away from heat and ignition sources. Protect against physical damage to containers.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, WHILE APPROPRIATE FOR THIS PRODUCT, IS GENERAL IN NATURE. THE SELECTION OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT WILL VARY DEPENDING ON THE CONDITIONS OF USE.

OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS (Current ACGIH TLV/TWA unless otherwise noted):

Gasoline: 300 ppm (STEL: 500 ppm)

Benzene (skin) : 0.5 ppm (STEL: 2.5 ppm)

Skin Notation: The occupational exposure limit is based on the fact that skin and/or eye is a major route of exposure through absorption.

Mechanical Ventilation: Use explosion-proof ventilation as required to control vapour concentrations. Concentrations in air should be maintained below lower explosive limit at all times or below the recommended threshold limit value if unprotected personnel are involved. Make up air should always be supplied to balance air exhausted (either generally or locally). For personnel entry into confined spaces (i.e. bulk storage tanks) a proper confined space entry procedure must be followed including ventilation and testing of tank atmosphere.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Eye Protection: Chemical safety goggles and/or full face shield to protect eyes and face, if product is handled such that it could be splashed into eyes. Provide an eyewash station in the area.

Skin Protection: Impervious gloves should be worn at all times when handling this product. PVC or nitrile rubber gloves are recommended. In confined spaces or where the risk of skin exposure is much higher, impervious clothing should be worn. Safety showers should be available for emergency use.

Respiratory Protection: If exposure exceeds occupational exposure limits, use an appropriate NIOSH-approved respirator. Use a NIOSH-approved chemical cartridge respirator with organic vapour cartridges. For high airborne concentrations, use a NIOSH-approved supplied-air respirator, either self-contained or airline breathing apparatus, operated in positive pressure mode.

9. PHYSICAL DATA

Physical State:	Liquid
Appearance:	Clear
Odour:	Typical Gasoline Odour
Odour Threshold:	<0.25 ppm
Freezing/Pour Point:	Not available
Boiling Point:	35 - 220 degrees C
Density:	720 - 730 kg/m ³ @ 15 degrees C
Vapour Density (Air = 1):	3.5
Vapour Pressure (absolute):	Not available
pH:	Not applicable
Flash Point:	Method Tag Closed Cup -30 degrees C
Lower Explosion Limit:	1.4 % (vol.)
Upper Explosion Limit:	7.6 % (vol.)
Autoignition Temperature:	280 degrees C
Viscosity:	<1 cSt @ 38 degrees C
Evaporation Rate (n-BuAc = 1):	Not available
Partition Coefficient (K_{ow}):	200
Water Solubility:	Insoluble
Other Solvents:	Hydrocarbon Solvents

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemically Stable:	Yes
Hazardous Polymerization:	No
Sensitive to Mechanical Impact:	No
Sensitive to Static Discharge:	Yes
Incompatible Materials:	Avoid strong oxidizing agents.

Conditions of Reactivity:

Avoid excessive heat, formation of vapours or mists.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ingredient (or Product if not specified)	Toxicological Data
Gasoline, Natural	LD50 Oral Rat = 18800 mg/kg LD50 Dermal Rabbit >8000 mg/kg
Benzene	LD50 Oral Rat = 930 - 5600 mg/kg LC50 Inhalation Rat = 13700 ppm for 4 hours
Routes of Exposure:	Exposure may occur via inhalation, ingestion, skin absorption and skin or eye contact.
Irritancy:	Based on testing with similar materials, this product is not expected to be a primary skin irritant after exposure of short duration, would not be a skin sensitizer and would not be irritating to the eye.
Chronic Effects:	Prolonged and repeated contact with skin can cause defatting and drying of the skin resulting in skin irritation and dermatitis. Prolonged exposure to high vapour concentration can cause headache, dizziness, nausea, blurred vision and central nervous system depression. Prolonged and repeated exposure may cause serious injury to blood forming organs, resulting in anemia and similar conditions.
Carcinogenicity and Mutagenicity:	According to the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) this product is considered to be possibly carcinogenic to humans. Epidemiological studies indicate that long term inhalation of benzene vapour can cause leukaemia in man. Benzene has also produced chromosomal aberrations in peripheral blood lymphocytes.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Environmental Effects:	Do not allow product or runoff from fire control to enter storm or sanitary sewers, lakes, rivers, streams, or public waterways. Block off drains and ditches. Provincial regulations require and federal regulations may require that environmental and/or other agencies be notified of a spill incident. Spill area must be cleaned and restored to original condition or to the satisfaction of authorities. May be harmful to aquatic life. Fish Toxicity: 5 to 40 ppm 96 hr TLm Rainbow Trout Freshwater
Biodegradability:	Not readily biodegradable. Potential for bioaccumulation. Rapid volatilization.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste management priorities (depending on volumes and concentration of waste) are: 1. recycle (reprocess), 2. energy recovery (cement kilns, thermal power generation), 3. incineration, 4. disposal at a licenced waste disposal facility. Do not attempt to combust waste on-site. Incinerate at a licenced waste disposal site with approval of environmental authority.

14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**Canadian Road and Rail Shipping Classification:**

UN Number

UN1203

Proper Shipping Name	GASOLINE
Hazard Class	Class 3 Flammable Liquids
Packing Group	PG II
Additional Information	Marine Pollutant
Shipping Description	GASOLINE Class 3 UN1203 PG II Marine Pollutant

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the *Controlled Products Regulations (CPR)* and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

WHMIS Class: Class B2 Flammable Liquid
Class D2A Other Toxic Effects - Carcinogen

DSL/NDSL Status: This product, or all components, are listed on the Domestic Substances List, as required under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act. This product and/or all components are listed on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory.

Other Regulatory Status: No Canadian federal standards.

16. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

LABEL STATEMENTS

Hazard Statement : Flammable Liquid.
May cause cancer.

Handling Statement: Eliminate all ignition sources.
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Bond and ground transfer containers and equipment to avoid static accumulation.
Avoid prolonged exposure to vapours.
Empty containers are hazardous, may contain flammable / explosive dusts, liquid residue or vapours. Keep away from sparks and open flames.

First Aid Statement : Wash contaminated skin with soap and water.
Flush eyes with water.
If overcome by vapours remove to fresh air.
Do not induce vomiting.
Obtain medical attention.

Revisions: This MSDS has been reviewed and updated.
Changes have been made to:
Section 1
Section 2
Section 14