



SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier	USP Ethyl Alcohol
Other means of identification	
Synonyms	USP Ethanol * Ethanol USP * USP Alcohol * Ethyl Alcohol USP 200 Proof
Recommended use	Pharmaceutical and/or industrial use
Recommended restrictions	Not to be used as a food ingredient, beverage or pesticide
Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information	
Manufacturer/Supplier	Valero Renewable Fuels Company, LLC One Valero Way San Antonio, TX 78269-6000 210-345-4593
General Assistance	
E-Mail	CorpHSE@valero.com
Contact Person	Industrial Hygienist
Emergency Telephone	24 Hour Emergency 866-565-5220 1-800-424-9300 (CHEMTREC USA)

2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards	Flammable liquids	Category 2
Health hazards	Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2A
OSHA defined hazards	Not classified.	
Label elements		



Signal word	Danger
Hazard statement	Highly flammable liquid and vapor. Causes serious eye irritation.
Precautionary statement	
Prevention	Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Ground/bond container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Wash thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.
Response	If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention. In case of fire: Use alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide or dry powder for extinction.
Storage	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
Disposal	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)	None known.
Supplemental information	None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substances

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
Ethanol		64-17-5	> 98

Composition comments All concentrations are in percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation Move to fresh air. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.

Skin contact Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

Eye contact Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

Ingestion Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed Severe eye irritation. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Headache. Coughing.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Thermal burns: Flush with water immediately. While flushing, remove clothes which do not adhere to affected area. Call an ambulance. Continue flushing during transport to hospital. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.

General information Take off all contaminated clothing immediately. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media Alcohol resistant foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

Unsuitable extinguishing media Water.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel considerable distance to a source of ignition and flash back. During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters Wear full protective clothing, including helmet, self-contained positive pressure or pressure demand breathing apparatus, protective clothing and face mask.

Fire fighting equipment/instructions In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk.

Specific methods Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

General fire hazards Highly flammable liquid and vapor.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during clean-up. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc.) away from spilled material. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Use only non-sparking tools. Prevent product from entering drains.

Large Spills: Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible. Use a non-combustible material like vermiculite, sand or earth to soak up the product and place into a container for later disposal. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

Small Spills: Absorb with earth, sand or other non-combustible material and transfer to containers for later disposal. Wipe up with absorbent material. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Never return spills to original containers for re-use. Put material in suitable, covered, labeled containers. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.

Environmental precautions

Ethanol is soluble in water and therefore precautions should be taken to protect surface and groundwater sources from contamination. Stay upwind and away from spill. Wear appropriate protective equipment including respiratory protection as conditions warrant. Do not enter or stay in area unless monitoring indicates that it is safe to do so. Isolate hazard area and restrict entry to emergency crew. Extremely flammable. Review Firefighting Measures, Section 5, before proceeding with clean up. Keep all sources of ignition (flames, smoking, flares, etc.) and hot surfaces away from release. Contain spill in smallest possible area. Recover as much product as possible (e.g. by vacuuming). Stop leak if it can be done without risk. Use water spray to disperse vapors. Use compatible foam to minimize vapor generation as needed. Spilled material may be absorbed by an appropriate absorbent, and then handled in accordance with environmental regulations. Prevent spilled material from entering sewers, storm drains, other unauthorized treatment or drainage systems and natural waterways. Contact fire authorities and appropriate federal, state and local agencies.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Do not handle, store or open near an open flame, sources of heat or sources of ignition. Protect material from direct sunlight. When using do not smoke. Explosion-proof general and local exhaust ventilation. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded. Use non-sparking tools and explosion-proof equipment. Avoid contact with eyes. Avoid prolonged exposure. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. Prevent electrostatic charge build-up by using common bonding and grounding techniques. Store in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight. Store in tightly closed container. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep in an area equipped with sprinklers. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational exposure limits

US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Components	Type	Value
Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)	PEL	1900 mg/m ³ 1000 ppm

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values

Components	Type	Value
Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)	STEL	1000 ppm

US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

Components	Type	Value
Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)	TWA	1900 mg/m ³ 1000 ppm

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Appropriate engineering controls

Explosion-proof general and local exhaust ventilation. Good general ventilation should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Provide eyewash station and safety shower.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

Skin protection

Hand protection

Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves. Suitable gloves can be recommended by the glove supplier.

Skin protection

Other

Wear suitable protective clothing.

Respiratory protection

If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations below recommended exposure limits (where applicable) or to an acceptable level (in countries where exposure limits have not been established), an approved respirator must be worn. In the United States of America, if respirators are used, a program should be instituted to assure compliance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134. Respirator type: Use NIOSH approved respirator with organic vapor/acid gas protection.

Thermal hazards

Not applicable.

General hygiene considerations

When using do not smoke. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

9. Physical and chemical properties**Appearance**

Physical state Liquid.

Form Liquid.

Color Colorless.

Odor Odorless.

Odor threshold Not available.

pH Not available.

Melting point/freezing point -178.6 °F (-117 °C)

Initial boiling point and boiling range 174.2 °F (79 °C)

Flash point 55.4 °F (13.0 °C) Closed Cup

Evaporation rate Not available.

Flammability (solid, gas) Not available.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - lower (%) 3.3 % (Ethanol)

Flammability limit - upper (%) 19 % (Ethanol)

Explosive limit - lower (%) Not available.

Explosive limit - upper (%) Not available.

Vapor pressure 7.91 kPa

Vapor pressure temp. 77 °F (25 °C)

Vapor density 1.6

Relative density 0.8

Solubility(ies)

Solubility (water) Soluble.

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water) -0.3

Auto-ignition temperature 685.4 °F (363 °C)

Decomposition temperature Not available.

Viscosity Not available.

Other information

Molecular weight 46.07 g/mol

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

Chemical stability Material is stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Conditions to avoid Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. Avoid temperatures exceeding the flash point. Contact with incompatible materials.

Incompatible materials Strong oxidizing agents. Acids. Alkalis.

Hazardous decomposition products No hazardous decomposition products are known.

11. Toxicological information**Information on likely routes of exposure**

Inhalation High vapor concentrations may cause drowsiness and irritation. Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

Skin contact Frequent or prolonged contact may defat and dry the skin, leading to discomfort and dermatitis.
Eye contact Causes serious eye irritation.
Ingestion No harmful effects expected in amounts likely to be ingested by accident.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics Severe eye irritation. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. Headache. Coughing.

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity Not expected to be acutely toxic.

Components	Species	Test Results
Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)		
Acute		
Dermal		
LD50	Rat	> 2000 mg/kg
Inhalation		
<i>Vapor</i>		
LC50	Mouse	39 g/m3, 4 Hours
Oral		
LD50	Rat	7000 - 11000 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation Prolonged or repeated contact may dry skin and cause irritation.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation Causes serious eye irritation.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Respiratory sensitization Not a respiratory sensitizer.

Skin sensitization This product is not expected to cause skin sensitization.

Germ cell mutagenicity No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.

Carcinogenicity This material is not classified as a carcinogen by IARC, ACGIH, NTP or OSHA. IARC has classified ethanol in alcoholic beverages as Group 1 (carcinogenic to humans). Ethanol alone has not been evaluated for carcinogenicity by IARC.

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Not listed.

NTP Report on Carcinogens

Not listed.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed.

Reproductive toxicity Not classified.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure Not classified.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure Not classified.

Aspiration hazard Not an aspiration hazard.

Chronic effects Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms.

Components	Species	Test Results
Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)		
Aquatic		
<i>Acute</i>		
Crustacea	LC50	Ceriodaphnia dubia Daphnia magna
		5012 mg/l, 48 hours 454 mg/l, 11 days
Fish	LC50	Pimephales promelas
		13480 mg/l, 96 hours

Components	Species	Test Results
<i>Chronic</i> Crustacea	NOEC Ceriodaphnia dubia	9.6 mg/l, 10 days
Persistence and degradability	No data is available on the degradability of this product.	
Bioaccumulative potential	Will not bio-accumulate.	
Partition coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow)		
USP Ethyl Alcohol		-0.3
		-0.32
Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)		-0.31
Mobility in soil	The product is soluble in water.	
Other adverse effects	None expected.	
13. Disposal considerations		
Disposal instructions	Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.	
Local disposal regulations	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.	
Hazardous waste code	D001: Waste Flammable material with a flash point <140 °F The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.	
Waste from residues / unused products	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).	
Contaminated packaging	Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.	
14. Transport information		
DOT		
UN number	UN1170	
UN proper shipping name	Ethanol	
Transport hazard class(es)		
Class	3	
Subsidiary risk	-	
Label(s)	3	
Packing group	II	
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.	
Special provisions	24, IB2, T4, TP1	
Packaging exceptions	4b, 150	
Packaging non bulk	202	
Packaging bulk	242	
IATA		
UN number	UN1170	
UN proper shipping name	Ethanol	
Transport hazard class(es)		
Class	3	
Subsidiary risk	-	
Packing group	II	
Environmental hazards	No.	
ERG Code	3L	
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.	
IMDG		
UN number	UN1170	
UN proper shipping name	ETHANOL	
Transport hazard class(es)		
Class	3	
Subsidiary risk	-	
Packing group	II	
Environmental hazards		
Marine pollutant	No.	

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**Special precautions for user
Transport in bulk according to
Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and
the IBC Code**

Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.
Not established.

General information

Shipping descriptions in this section are offered as examples only. Classification for transport must accurately reflect the material hazards as designated under a variety of regulations and is solely the responsibility of the person offering the material for transport into commerce.

15. Regulatory information

US federal regulations

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

This product is a pharmaceutical ingredient regulated by the FDA under the Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act.

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

Not listed.

SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Not regulated.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed.

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

All components of the mixture on the TSCA 8(b) inventory are designated "active".

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous
chemical**

Yes

**Classified hazard
categories**

Flammable (gases, aerosols, liquids, or solids)
Serious eye damage or eye irritation

SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Not regulated.

Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

**Safe Drinking Water Act
(SDWA)**

Not regulated.

FEMA Priority Substances Respiratory Health and Safety in the Flavor Manufacturing Workplace

Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)

Low priority

US state regulations

US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)

US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)

US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law

Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)

US. Rhode Island RTK

Ethanol (CAS 64-17-5)

California Proposition 65

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 2016 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
Taiwan	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

*A "Yes" indicates this product complies with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s).

A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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References

ACGIH Documentation of the Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices
EPA: AQUIRE database
NLM: Hazardous Substances Data Base
HSDB® - Hazardous Substances Data Bank
IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity
National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

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