

**Safety Data Sheet**  
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\* **1 Identification**

· **Product identifier**

· **Trade name:** Ethephon

· **Synonym**

P-(2-chloroethyl)-phosphonic acid

CEP

CEPA

2-Chloroethylphosphonic Acid

G-996

· **Article number:** 33562

· **CAS Number:**

16672-87-0

· **EC number:**

240-718-3

· **Index number:**

015-154-00-4

· **Application of the substance / the mixture**

This product is for research use - Not for human or veterinary diagnostic or therapeutic use.

· **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

· **Manufacturer/Supplier:**

Cayman Chemical Co.

1180 E. Ellsworth Rd.

Ann Arbor, MI 48108

USA

· **Information department:** Product safety department

· **Emergency telephone number:**

During normal opening times: +1 (734) 971-3335

US/CANADA: 800-424-9300

Outside US/CANADA: 703-741-5970

**2 Hazard(s) identification**

· **Classification of the substance or mixture**



GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Toxicity - Dermal 3     H311 Toxic in contact with skin.



GHS05 Corrosion

Skin Corrosion 1C

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

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GHS09 Environment

Aquatic Chronic 2

H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.



GHS07

Acute Toxicity - Oral 4

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

Acute Toxicity - Inhalation 4

H332 Harmful if inhaled.

- Label elements

- GHS label elements

The substance is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

- Hazard pictograms



GHS05



GHS06



GHS09

- Signal word Danger

- Hazard statements

H302+H332 Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled.

H311 Toxic in contact with skin.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

- Precautionary statements

P260 Do not breathe dusts or mists.

P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P301+P312 If swallowed: Call a poison center/doctor if you feel unwell.

P301+P330+P331 If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303+P361+P353 If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P305+P351+P338 If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P310 Immediately call a poison center/doctor.

P321 Specific treatment (see on this label).

P361+P364 Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

P391 Collect spillage.

P405 Store locked up.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

- Classification system:

- NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)



Health = 3

Fire = 0

Reactivity = 0

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- **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**

HEALTH	3	Health = 3
FIRE	0	Fire = 0
REACTIVITY	0	Reactivity = 0

- **Other hazards**
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

### 3 Composition/information on ingredients

- **Chemical characterization: Substances**
- **CAS No. Description**  
16672-87-0 Ethephon
- **Identification number(s)**
- **EC number:** 240-718-3
- **Index number:** 015-154-00-4

### 4 First-aid measures

- **Description of first aid measures**
- **General information:**  
Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.  
Symptoms of poisoning may even occur after several hours; therefore medical observation for at least 48 hours after the accident.  
In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.
- **After inhalation:**  
Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm. Consult doctor if symptoms persist.  
In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.
- **After skin contact:** Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
- **After eye contact:** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing:** Immediately call a doctor.
- **Information for doctor:**
- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**  
No further relevant information available.
- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**  
No further relevant information available.

### 5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:**  
Use fire fighting measures that suit the environment.  
A solid water stream may be inefficient.
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** No further relevant information available.

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- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Mouth respiratory protective device.

## 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
- **Environmental precautions:**  
Inform respective authorities in case of seepage into water course or sewage system.  
Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Use neutralizing agent.  
Dispose contaminated material as waste according to section 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **Reference to other sections**  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.  
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.
- **Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals**
- **PAC-1:** Substance is not listed.
- **PAC-2:** Substance is not listed.
- **PAC-3:** Substance is not listed.

## 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**  
Thorough dedusting.  
Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.
- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:** No special measures required.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:** Store in accordance with information listed on the product insert.
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.
- **Further information about storage conditions:** Keep receptacle tightly sealed.
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

## 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see section 7.
- **Control parameters**
- **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:** Not required.
- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.
- **Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment:**
- **General protective and hygienic measures:**  
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
Store protective clothing separately.

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Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

- **Breathing equipment:**

In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.

- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation. Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.

Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

- **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.

- **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

- **Eye protection:**



Tightly sealed goggles

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

- **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

- **General Information**

- **Appearance:**

Form:	Solid
Color:	Not determined.
Odor:	Characteristic
Structural Formula	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> ClO <sub>3</sub> P
Molecular Weight	144.5 g/mol
Odor threshold:	Not determined.

- **pH-value:** Not applicable.

- **Change in condition**

Melting point/Melting range:	74–75 °C (165.2–167 °F)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	Undetermined.

- **Flash point:** Not applicable.

- **Flammability (solid, gaseous):** Product is not flammable.

- **Decomposition temperature:** Not determined.

- **Ignition temperature:** Not determined.

- **Danger of explosion:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.

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· <b>Explosion limits:</b>	
<b>Lower:</b>	Not determined.
<b>Upper:</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Vapor pressure:</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Density:</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Relative density</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Vapor density</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Solubility in / Miscibility with Water:</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Viscosity:</b>	
<b>Dynamic:</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Kinematic:</b>	Not applicable.
<b>SOLUBILITY</b>	DMF: 30 mg/ml; DMSO: 30 mg/ml; Ethanol: 25 mg/ml; PBS (pH 7.2): 10 mg/ml
· <b>Other information</b>	No further relevant information available.

## 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**  
No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.
- **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **Incompatible materials:** strong bases, strong oxidizing agents
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** carbon oxides, hydrogen chloride, phosphorous oxides

## 11 Toxicological information

- **RTECS Number** SZ7100000
- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**

· **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

Oral	LD50	2,850 mg/kg (mouse)
		3,400 mg/kg (rat)
	Intraperitoneal LD50	>1,500 mg/kg (mouse)

- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** No irritant effect.
- **on the eye:** No irritating effect.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.
- **Additional toxicological information:**
- **Carcinogenic categories**
- **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)** Substance is not listed.
- **NTP (National Toxicology Program)** Substance is not listed.

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- OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration) Substance is not listed.

## 12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.
- **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **Behavior in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Ecotoxicological effects:**
- **Remark:** Toxic for fish
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**  
Water hazard class 2 (Assessment by list): hazardous for water  
Do not allow product to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.  
Must not reach bodies of water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralized.  
Danger to drinking water if even small quantities leak into the ground.  
Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies.  
Toxic for aquatic organisms
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation:**  
Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

## 14 Transport information

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|----------------------------------|--|
| · <b>UN-Number</b>               |  |
| · <b>DOT, IMDG, IATA</b>         | UN2923                                     |
| · <b>UN proper shipping name</b> |  |
| · <b>DOT</b>                     | Corrosive solids, toxic, n.o.s. (Ethephon) |
| · <b>IMDG</b>                    | CORROSIVE SOLID, TOXIC, N.O.S. (Ethephon)  |
| · <b>IATA</b>                    | Corrosive solid, toxic, n.o.s. (Ethephon)  |

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- **Transport hazard class(es)**

- **DOT**



- **Class** 8 Corrosive substances
- **Label** 8, 6.1

- **IMDG**



- **Class** 8 Corrosive substances
- **Label** 8/6.1

- **IATA**



- **Class** 8 Corrosive substances
- **Label** 8 (6.1)

- **Packing group**
- **DOT, IMDG, IATA**

II

- **Environmental hazards:** Environmentally hazardous substance, solid

- **Special precautions for user** Warning: Corrosive substances
- **Hazard identification number (Kemler code):** 86
- **EMS Number:** F-A,S-B
- **Stowage Category** B
- **Stowage Code** SW2 Clear of living quarters.

- **Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable.

- **Transport/Additional information:**

- **DOT**
- **Quantity limitations** On passenger aircraft/rail: 15 kg  
On cargo aircraft only: 50 kg

- **IMDG**

- **Limited quantities (LQ)** 1 kg
- **Excepted quantities (EQ)** Code: E2  
Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 g  
Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 g

- **IATA**

- **Remarks:** When sold in quantities of less than or equal to 1 mL, or 1 g, with an Excepted Quantity Code of E1, E2, E4, or E5, this item meets the De Minimis Quantities exemption, per IATA 2.6.10.

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| ·                               | Therefore packaging does not have to be labeled as Dangerous Goods/Excepted Quantity.     |
| · <b>UN "Model Regulation":</b> | UN 2923 CORROSIVE SOLID, TOXIC, N.O.S. (ETHEPHON), 8 (6.1), II, ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS |

### 15 Regulatory information

- **Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**  
No further relevant information available.
- **Sara**
- **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):** Substance is not listed.
- **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):** Substance is not listed.
- **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):** Substance is not listed.
- **Hazardous Air Pollutants** Substance is not listed.
- **Proposition 65**
- **Chemicals known to cause cancer:** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:** Substance is not listed.
- **Carcinogenic categories**
- **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)** Substance is not listed.
- **TLV (Threshold Limit Value)** Substance is not listed.
- **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

### 16 Other information

All chemicals may pose unknown hazards and should be used with caution. This SDS applies only to the material as packaged. If this product is combined with other materials, deteriorates, or becomes contaminated, it may pose hazards not mentioned in this SDS. Cayman Chemical Company assumes no responsibility for incidental or consequential damages, including lost profits, arising from the use of these data. It shall be the user's responsibility to develop proper methods of handling and personal protection based on the actual conditions of use. While this SDS is based on technical data judged to be reliable, Cayman Chemical Company assumes no responsibility for the completeness or accuracy of the information contained herein.

- **Department issuing SDS:** Environment protection department.
- **Contact:** -
- **Date of preparation / last revision** 11/29/2023
- **Abbreviations and acronyms:**  
 IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods  
 DOT: US Department of Transportation  
 IATA: International Air Transport Association  
 EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
 CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)  
 NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)  
 HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)  
 LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent  
 LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent  
 PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic  
 vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative  
 NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety  
 OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health

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TLV: Threshold Limit Value

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

REL: Recommended Exposure Limit

Acute Toxicity - Oral 4: Acute toxicity – Category 4

Acute Toxicity - Dermal 3: Acute toxicity – Category 3

Skin Corrosion 1C: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1C

Aquatic Chronic 2: Hazardous to the aquatic environment - long-term aquatic hazard – Category 2

· **\* Data compared to the previous version altered.**

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