

## **HURST SCIENTIFIC**

# Safety Data Sheet XYLENE SULFUR FREE

#### **SECTION 1: Identification**

#### 1.1 GHS Product identifier

Product name XYLENE SULFUR FREE

Product number XLS-5L, -10L, -20L Brand Hurstchem

1.2 Xylene

Synonyms - Dimethylbenzene, Xylol.

#### 1.3 Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

**Laboratory Solvent** 

1.4 Supplier's details

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Telephone 1300 778 068

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1.5 Emergency phone number

Australian Poisons Information Centre 131 126

Services 000

Australian Emergency

## **SECTION 2: Hazard identification**

## **General hazard statement**

Classified as a Hazardous substance according to the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) and Safe Work Australia criteria.

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

## GHS classification in accordance with: OSHA (29 CFR 1910.1200)

- Flammable liquids, Cat. 3
- Aspiration hazard, Cat. 1
- Skin corrosion/irritation, Cat. 2
- Acute toxicity, dermal, Cat. 4
- Acute toxicity, inhalation, Cat. 4
- Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure), Cat. 3

## 2.2 GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

#### **Pictograms**



1. Flame: 2. Exclamation mark: 3. Health hazard

#### Signal word **Danger**

#### Hazard statement(s)

Flammable liquid and vapor H226 Harmful in contact with skin H312

Harmful if inhaled H332

May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways H304

H315 Causes skin irritation

H335 May cause respiratory irritation H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness

H373 May cause damage to organs [organs] through prolonged or repeated

exposure [route]

#### Precautionary statement(s)

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.

P233 Keep container tightly closed.

P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/.../ equipment.

P242 Use only non-sparking tools.

P243 Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

P280 Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection/protective clothing. P303+P361+P353

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin

with water/shower.

P370+P378 In case of fire: Use ... to extinguish. P403+P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. P501 Dispose of contents/container to ... IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water/... P302+P352

P312 Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/.../ if you feel unwell.

P321 Specific treatment (see ... on this label).

P362+P364 Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

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

P301+P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/...

P331 Do NOT induce vomiting.

P405 Store locked up.

P264 Wash ... thoroughly after handling.

P332+P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

P403+P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. P314

#### Other hazards which do not result in classification 2.3

Classified as a Dangerous goods according to the ADG Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (7th Edition).

## **SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

#### 3.2 **Mixtures**

#### Hazardous components

#### 1. XYLENES (MIXED)

Concentration **Balance** CAS no. 1330-20-7

#### 2. ETHYLBENZENE

Concentration 10-30% CAS no. 100-41-4

#### **SECTION 4: First-aid measures**

#### 4.1 Description of necessary first-aid measures

If inhaled Evacuate to fresh air immediately. If there are signs of poisoning seek

immediate medical attention or contact Poisons Information Centre. If unconscious place in recovery position, provide artificial respiration if

breathing ceases. Seek immediate medical attention.

In case of skin contact Remove contaminated clothing and wash affected area with soap and water

thoroughly. If irritation develops, seek medical attention.

In case of eye contact Flush eyes with gentle flowing water for at least 20 minutes. Seek medical

attention.

If swallowed DO NOT induce vomiting. Rinse mouth out thoroughly. Seek immediate

medical attention.

Personal protective equipment for first-aid responders

Eye wash station, safety shower and First Aid kit.

#### 4.3 Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

Treat symptomatically based on judgement of doctor and individual reactions of patient.

### **SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures**

### 5.1 Suitable extinguishing media

Use Alcohol resistant foam, standard foam, Carbon Dioxide or dry chemical.

#### 5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Toxic gases and smoke may evolve. May form flammable mixtures with air.

#### 5.3 Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Wear SCBA (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus) and full protective equipment.

#### **Further information**

Hazchem code 3Y

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## **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

#### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Shut off all possible sources of ignition. Evacuate all unnecessary personnel. Increase ventilation to avoid inhalation of vapours. Wear appropriate protective clothing. If possible, contain the spill. Avoid walking through spilled product as it may be slippery when spilt. Absorb with vermiculite or similar inert substance and seal in properly labelled containers for disposal.

## Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Absorb with vermiculite or similar and place into a suitably labelled container. Dispose of waste according to local authority guidelines. Do not contaminate drains or waterways.

## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

## 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Ensure an eye bath and safety shower are readily available for use. Observe good personal hygiene practices and recommended procedures. Wash thoroughly after handling. Take precautionary measures against static discharges by bonding and grounding equipment. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not inhale product vapours. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure. Operations should be carried out in an efficient fume hood or equivalent system.

## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated, fire-proof area away from direct sunlight. Keep containers tightly sealed when not in use. Inspect regularly for deficiencies such as damage or leaks. Protect against physical damage. Ground and bond storage containers. Store away from incompatible materials.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

#### 8.1 National Exposure Standards

Xylene: TWA: 80ppm (350mg/m3) STEL: 150ppm (655mg/m3) Ethyl Benzene: TWA: 100ppm (434mg/m3)

**STEL:** 125ppm (543 mg/m3)

#### 8.2 Appropriate engineering controls

A system of local exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures as low as possible, because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area. Use explosion proof ventilation to control airborne concentrations below the exposure guidelines/limits.

#### 8.3 Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

#### Eye/face protection

Safety glasses or goggles.

#### Skin protection

Chemical-resistant gloves and laboratory coat.

## **Biological Limit Values**

Not allocated for this product.

## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

### Basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state Liquid
Appearance Clear of

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Melting point/freezing point -48°C

Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range 136-145°C
Flammability Flammable liquid

Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit 1-7.1% by volume in air

Flash point 23-270C (Abel)
Auto-ignition temperature 432-530°C
pH N/A

Solubility 0.175kg/m3 in water Vapor pressure 4.5kPa (@ 500C)

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Density and/or relative density 0.871
Relative vapor density 3.7

## **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

#### 10.1 Reactivity

Non-reactive under recommended conditions for use and storage.

#### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended conditions for use, storage and temperature.

#### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Polymerisation not expected occur.

#### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Elevated temperatures and ignition sources.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidising agents.

#### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Toxic gases and smoke may evolve.

## **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

#### Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

Inhalation: This material has been classified as a Category 4 Hazard. Acute toxicity estimate (based on ingredients): 10 - 20 mg/L.

Skin contact: This material has been classified as a Category 4 Hazard. Acute toxicity estimate (based on ingredients): 1,000 - 2,000 mg/kg.

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

This material has been classified as a Category 2 Hazard (reversible effects to skin).

#### Serious eye damage/irritation

This material has been classified as not corrosive or irritating to eyes.

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

Inhalation: this material has been classified as "not a respiratory sensitiser". Skin: this material has been classified as "not a skin sensitiser".

### Germ cell mutagenicity

No classification.

#### Carcinogenicity

Not classified according to the IARC monographs.

#### Reproductive toxicity

No classification.

## Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - single exposure

This material has been classified as a Category 3 Hazard. Exposure via inhalation may result in respiratory irritation.

#### Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - repeated exposure

This material has been classified as a Category 2 Hazard.

## **Aspiration hazard**

This material has been classified as Aspiration Hazard – Category 1

#### Additional information

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

### **Acute Effects**

Inhalation: Harmful if inhaled. Material is an irritant to mucous membranes and respiratory tract.

**Skin contact:** Harmful in contact with skin. Can be absorbed through the skin with resultant toxic effects. Contact with skin will result in irritation.

**Ingestion:** Swallowing can result in nausea, vomiting and irritation of the gastrointestinal tract. May cause lung damage if swallowed. Small amounts of liquid aspirated into the respiratory system during ingestion or vomiting may cause bronchopneumonia or pulmonary oedema.

Eye contact: May be an eye irritant.

## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

#### **Toxicity**

No information available.

#### Persistence and degradability

No information available.

#### **Bioaccumulative potential**

No information available.

#### Mobility in soil

No information available.

#### **Environmental fate (exposure)**

Environmental fate (exposure) Do not contaminate drains and waterways.

## **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### **Disposal methods**

#### **Product disposal**

Refer to local authority guidelines. Advise flammable nature. Should be suitable for disposal by licensed contractor.

#### **Packaging disposal**

Refer to local authority guidelines. Advise flammable nature. Should be suitable for disposal by licensed contractor.

#### Other disposal recommendations

Special precautions Nil.

### **SECTION 14: Transport information**

14.1	UN Number	1307
	Hazchem emergency action code (EAC)	3Y
14.2	UN Proper Shipping Name	Xylenes
14.3	Transport hazard class(es)	3
14.4	Packing group	III

#### Special precautions for user

Not to be loaded with explosives (Class 1), flammable gases (Class 2.1), if both are in bulk, toxic gases (Class 2.3), spontaneously combustible substances (Class 4.2), oxidising agents (Class 5.1), organic peroxides (Class 5.2), toxic substances (Class 6.1), infectious substances (Class 6.2) or radioactive substances (Class 7). Exemptions may apply **Hazchem Code** 

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## **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

#### 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

- Poison Schedule: S6
- TWA (Time Weighted Average): The average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal eight hour working day, for a five-day week.
- STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit): The average airborne concentration over a 15-minute period which should not be exceeded at any time during a normal eight-hour workday.

### **SECTION 16: Other information**

#### 16.1 Further information/disclaimer

This SDS is prepared in accordance with the Safe Work Australia, Preparation of Safety Data Sheets for Hazardous Chemicals Code of Practice, (2011). The information contained within is believed to be accurate at the date of

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### 16.2 Preparation information

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