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Toluene

Synonyms & Trade Names Methyl benzene, Methyl benzol, Phenyl methane, Toluol

CAS No. 108-88-3 RTECS No. XS5250000 (/nioshrtecs/XS501BDo.html)

DOT ID & Guide 1294 130 (http://wwwapps.tc.gc.ca/saf-sec-sur/3/erg-gmu/erg/guidepage.aspx?guide=130) [Altp://www.cdc.gov/Other/disclaimer.html]

Formula C₆H₅CH₃

Conversion 1 ppm = 3.77 mg/m³

IDLH 500 ppm

See: 108883 (/niosh/idlh/108883.html)

Exposure Limits

NIOSH REL: TWA 100 ppm (375 mg/m³) ST 150 ppm (560 mg/m³)

OSHA PEL † (nengapdxg.html): TWA 200 ppm C 300 ppm 500 ppm (10-minute maximum peak)

Measurement Methods

NIOSH <u>1500</u> (/niosh/docs/2003-154/pdfs/1500.pdf), <u>1501</u>

(/niosh/docs/2003-154/pdfs/4000.pdf);

OSHA 111

(http://www.osha.gov/dts/sltc/methods/organic/org111/org111.html)

See: NMAM (/niosh/docs/2003-154/) or OSHA Methods (http://www.osha.gov/dts/sltc/methods/index.html) (http://www.cdc.gov/Other/disclaimer.html)

Physical Description Colorless liquid with a sweet, pungent, benzene-like odor.

MW: 92.1	BP: 232°F	FRZ: -139°F	Sol(74°F): 0.07%	VP: 21 mmHg	P: 8.82 eV
Sp.Gr: 0.87	Fl.P: 40°F	UEL: 7.1%	LEL: 1.1%		

Class IB Flammable Liquid: Fl.P. below 73°F and BP at or above 100°F.

Incompatibilities & Reactivities Strong oxidizers

Exposure Routes inhalation, skin absorption, ingestion, skin and/or eye contact

Symptoms irritation eyes, nose; lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), confusion, euphoria, dizziness, headache; dilated pupils, lacrimation (discharge of tears); anxiety, muscle fatigue, insomnia; paresthesia; dermatitis; liver, kidney damage

Target Organs Eyes, skin, respiratory system, central nervous system, liver, kidneys

Personal Protection/Sanitation (See protection codes (protect.html))

Skin: Prevent skin contact Eyes: Prevent eye contact

Wash skin: When contaminated

First Aid (See procedures (firstaid.html))

Eye: Irrigate immediately Skin: Soap wash promptly Breathing: Respiratory support

Swallow: Medical attention immediately

Remove: When wet (flammable) **Change:** No recommendation

Respirator Recommendations

NIOSH

Up to 500 ppm:

(APF = 10) Any chemical cartridge respirator with organic vapor cartridge(s)*

(APF = 25) Any powered, air-purifying respirator with organic vapor cartridge(s)*

(APF = 50) Any air-purifying, full-facepiece respirator (gas mask) with a chin-style, front- or back-mounted organic vapor canister

(APF = 10) Any supplied-air respirator*

(APF = 50) Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece

Emergency or planned entry into unknown concentrations or IDLH conditions:

(APF = 10,000) Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode

(APF = 10,000) Any supplied-air respirator that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressuredemand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with an auxiliary self-contained positivepressure breathing apparatus

Escape:

(APF = 50) Any air-purifying, full-facepiece respirator (gas mask) with a chin-style, front- or back-mounted organic vapor canister

Any appropriate escape-type, self-contained breathing apparatus

Important additional information about respirator selection (pgintrod.html#mustread)

See also: INTRODUCTION (/niosh/npg/pgintrod.html) See ICSC CARD: 0078

(/niosh/ipcsneng/neng0078.html) See MEDICAL TESTS: 0232 (/niosh/docs/2005-110/nmed0232.html)

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