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**MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET****SECTION 1 - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

**Product identifier** : **Dimethoate 4E**

**Product Code(s)** : None reported.

**Product Use** : Insecticide

**Chemical Family** : Organophosphorus compound

**Supplier's name and address:**  
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 27709

**Manufacturer's name and address:**  
 Refer to Supplier

Information Telephone No. : 919-474-6600 (8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, EST, Monday-Friday)

**24 Hr. Emergency Tel #** : Chemtrec 1-800-424-9300 (Within Continental U.S.); Chemtrec 703-527-3887 (Outside U.S.).  
 For Medical Emergencies: (800) 303-6950

**SECTION 2 - COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

<u>Ingredients</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>% (weight)</u>	<u>ACGIH TLV</u>		<u>OSHA PEL</u>	
			<u>TWA</u>	<u>STEL</u>	<u>PEL</u>	<u>STEL</u>
Dimethoate	<b>60-51-5</b>	30.00 - 60.00	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av
Cyclohexanone	<b>108-94-1</b>	15.00 - 40.00	20 ppm	50 ppm	50 ppm ; 200 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	N/Av
Heavy aromatic solvent naphtha	<b>64742-94-5</b>	7.00 - 13.00	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av
Trimethylbenzenes (mixed isomers)	<b>25551-13-7</b>	3.00 - 7.00	25 ppm	N/Av	N/Av	N/Av

This material is classified as hazardous under OSHA regulations (29CFR 1910.1200).

**SECTION 3 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Colourless to light yellow liquid. Mercaptanic odor.

Warning! Flammable liquid and vapor. Dangerous exothermic decomposition may occur at temperatures greater than 176°F / 80°C.  
 Harmful if inhaled. Harmful or fatal if swallowed. Harmful if absorbed through the skin. Can enter the lungs and cause damage.  
 Causes skin and eye irritation. Contains material which can cause nervous system damage. May cause long-term adverse effects in the environment. This material is toxic to wildlife and aquatic invertebrates, and is highly toxic to bees.

**\*\*\*POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS\*\*\***

**Target organs** : Eyes, skin, respiratory system, digestive system, central nervous system.

**Routes of exposure** : *Inhalation*: YES *Skin Absorption*: YES *Skin & Eyes*: YES *Ingestion*: YES

**Signs and symptoms of short-term (acute) exposure**

*Inhalation* : May be fatal if inhaled. This material can cause organophosphorous poisoning. Symptoms of poisoning may include headache, nausea, vomiting, blurred vision, tightness in chest, drooling and frothing of mouth and nose, convulsions, coma and death.

*Skin* : May cause moderate to severe skin irritation. Readily absorbed through the skin. Causes symptoms similar to those listed for inhalation.

*Eyes* : May cause severe eye irritation. Readily absorbed through eye surfaces. Causes symptoms similar to those listed for inhalation.

*Ingestion* : May be fatal if ingested. Causes symptoms similar to those listed for inhalation. This product may present an aspiration hazard. Aspiration into the lungs during swallowing or subsequent vomiting may cause chemical pneumonitis, which can be fatal.

**Effects of long-term (chronic) exposure**

: Prolonged or repeated overexposure may cause behavioral changes. Prolonged or repeated skin exposure may cause redness, a burning sensation, drying and cracking of the skin (dermatitis). Prolonged or repeated overexposure may cause liver, kidney and blood system effects.

**Conditions aggravated by overexposure**

: Pre-existing skin, eye, respiratory and central nervous system disorders.

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**Carcinogenic status** : See TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION, Section 11.

**Additional health hazards** : See TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION, Section 11.

**Potential environmental effects**

: This material is toxic to wildlife and aquatic invertebrates, and is highly toxic to bees. See ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION, Section 12.

Cholinesterase inhibitor. May cause central nervous system depression. May cause damage to the peripheral nervous system. See TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION, Section 11.

#### SECTION 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

- Inhalation** : Immediately remove person to fresh air. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. Obtain medical attention immediately.
- Skin contact** : Immediately flush skin with running water for at least 15 minutes, while removing contaminated clothing. Obtain medical attention immediately. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
- Eye contact** : Immediately flush eyes with running water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention immediately.
- Ingestion** : Induce vomiting ONLY under the direct supervision of qualified medical personnel or a poison control centre. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Obtain medical attention immediately.
- Notes For Physician** : This product contains a cholinesterase inhibitor affecting the central and peripheral nervous systems and producing respiratory depression. Decontamination procedures such as whole body washing, gastric lavage and administration of activated charcoal are often required. If symptoms are present, administer atropine sulphate in large doses. Two to four mg intravenously or intramuscularly as soon as possible. Repeat at 5 to 10 minute intervals until signs of atropinization appear. Maintain full atropinization until all organophosphate is metabolised. Obidoxime chloride (Toxogonin), alternatively pralidoxime chloride (2-PAM), may be administered as an adjunct to, but not a substitute for atropine, which is a symptomatic and often life-saving antidote. Treatment with oxime should be maintained as long as atropine sulphate is administered. At first sign of pulmonary edema, the patient should be given supplemental oxygen and treated symptomatically. Continued absorption may occur and relapse may occur after initial improvement. VERY CLOSE SUPERVISION OF THE PATIENT IS INDICATED FOR AT LEAST 48 HOURS, DEPENDING ON THE SEVERITY OF POISONING.

#### SECTION 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Fire hazards/conditions of flammability**

: Flammable liquid and vapor. This material will ignite when exposed to heat, sparks, flames, or other sources of ignition (e.g. static electricity, pilot lights, or mechanical/electrical equipment). Material may decompose rapidly when exposed to heat and flame. Heat of decomposition may cause closed containers to build up pressure and explode.

**Flammability classification (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200)**

: OSHA Combustible Liquid II.

**Flash point** : 108°F / 42°C

**Flash point Method** : Pensky Martens Closed Cup **Auto-ignition temperature** : N/Av

**Lower flammable limit (% by vol.)** : 1.3 - 1.9 (based on ingredients) **Upper flammable limit (% by vol.)** : 9.4 - 12.6 (based on ingredients)

**Oxidizing properties** : None known.

**Flame Projection Length** : N/Av **Flashback observed** : N/Av

**Explosion data: Sensitivity to mechanical impact / static discharge**

: Not expected to be sensitive to mechanical impact or static discharge.

**Suitable extinguishing media** : Carbon dioxide or dry chemical for small fires. For large fires, use water spray or foam.

**Special fire-fighting procedures/equipment**

: Firefighters should wear proper protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus with full face piece operated in positive pressure mode. Move containers from fire area if safe to do so. Water spray may be useful in cooling equipment exposed to heat and flame. Avoid spreading burning liquid with water spray used for cooling purposes.

**Hazardous combustion products**

: Carbon oxides; nitrogen oxides (NOx); Oxides of phosphorus; sulfur oxides; irritating fumes and smoke.

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NFPA Rating	0 - Minimal	1 - Slight	2 - Moderate	3 - Serious	4 - Severe
	<i>Health: 2</i>	<i>Flammability: 2</i>	<i>Instability: 2</i>	<i>Special Hazards:</i>	None

### SECTION 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

- Personal precautions** : Restrict access to area until completion of clean-up. Ensure clean-up is conducted by trained personnel only. All persons dealing with clean-up should wear the appropriate protective equipment including self-contained breathing apparatus. Refer to Section 8, EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION, for additional information on acceptable personal protective equipment.
- Environmental precautions** : Ensure spilled product does not enter drains, sewers, waterways, or confined spaces. If necessary, dike well ahead of the spill to prevent runoff into drains, sewers, or any natural waterway or drinking supply.
- Spill response/cleanup** : Remove all sources of ignition. Ventilate area of release. Stop the spill at source if it is safe to do so. Contain and absorb spilled material with inert, non-combustible absorbent material, such as sand. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. For a water spill, confine the spill immediately with booms. Large spills that soak into the ground should be dug up, placed into suitable containers and disposed of appropriately (see Section 13). Notify the appropriate authorities as required.
- Prohibited materials** : None known.
- Special spill response procedures** : In case of a transportation accident, in the United States contact CHEMTREC at 1-800-424-9300 or International at 1-703-527-3887. If a spill/release in excess of the EPA reportable quantity is made into the environment, immediately notify the national response center in the United States (phone: 1-800-424-8002).  
US CERCLA Reportable quantity (RQ): Dimethoate (10 lbs / 4.54 kg); Cyclohexanone (5000 lbs / 2270 kg)

### SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Safe Handling procedures** : This material is a toxic liquid. Wear chemically resistant protective equipment during handling. Use only in well-ventilated areas. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not breathe vapours or spray mist. Keep away from children and all unprotected persons. Do not use near sources of heat, flame or direct sunlight. Dimethoate should never be heated above 95oF / 35oC. Heat only indirectly and with solvent present. Local heating with, for example, electric heating equipment or steam, may significantly increase the risk of explosion and should never take place. Keep away from incompatibles. Use caution when opening cap. Keep containers tightly closed when not in use. Wash thoroughly after handling.
- Storage requirements** : Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area. Keep away from excessive heat, open flames, sparks and other possible sources of ignition. Avoid storage above 77°F / 25°C for prolonged period of time. Keep away from incompatibles. Storage area should be clearly identified, clear of obstruction and accessible only to trained and authorized personnel. Inspect periodically for damage or leaks. No smoking in the area.
- Incompatible materials** : Strong alkalis; Strong oxidizing agents; Amines.
- Special packaging materials** : Always keep in containers made of the same materials as the supply container.

### SECTION 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

- Ventilation and engineering measures** : Provide sufficient ventilation to keep vapour concentration below the given TLV and/or PEL.
- Respiratory protection** : Respiratory protection is required. Wear a pesticide respirator jointly approved by the MSHA and NIOSH. Advice should be sought from respiratory protection specialists.
- Skin protection** : Wear impervious gloves, such as barrier laminate, butyl rubber, nitrile rubber or viton. Advice should be sought from glove suppliers.
- Eye / face protection** : Chemical splash goggles must be worn when handling this material.
- Other protective equipment** : Wear impervious chemical apron and protective clothing (water-proof pants, coat, hat and boots) to prevent skin contact. An eyewash station and safety shower should be made available in the immediate working area.
- General hygiene considerations**

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- : Do not breathe vapours or spray mist. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not eat, drink, smoke or use cosmetics while working with this product. Before removing gloves clean them with soap and water. Always wash hands, face and arms with soap and water before smoking, eating or drinking. After work, take off all protective equipment, work clothes and shoes, and wash with soap and water. Respirator should be cleaned and filter replaced according to manufacturer's instructions. Wear only clean, uncontaminated clothes when leaving place of work. Persons working with this product for a longer period should have frequent blood tests for cholinesterase levels. If the cholinesterase levels fall below a critical point, no further exposure should be allowed until it has been determined, by means of blood tests, that cholinesterase levels have returned to normal.

**Permissible exposure levels** : For individual ingredient exposure levels, see Section 2.

### SECTION 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Physical state</b>	: Liquid	<b>Appearance</b>	: Colourless to light yellow liquid.
<b>Odour</b>	: Mercaptanic odor.	<b>Odour threshold</b>	: N/Av
<b>pH</b>	: N/Av		
<b>Boiling point</b>	: Dimethoate decomposes at temperatures above 176°F / 80°C. Cyclohexanone: 316°F / 156°C. Aromatic solvent naphtha: 318-338°F / 159-170°C.	<b>Specific gravity</b>	: 1.09-1.11 @ 77°F / 25°C
<b>Melting/Freezing point</b>	: <41°F / <5°C	<b>Coefficient of water/oil distribution</b>	: Dimethoate: log Kow = 0.704
<b>Vapour pressure (mmHg @ 20° C / 68° F)</b>	: Dimethoate: 1.85 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> mmHg @ 77°F / 25° C. Cyclohexanone: 3.5 mmHg @ 68°F / 20°C. Aromatic solvent naphtha: 4 mmHg @ 68°F / 20°C.	<b>Solubility in water</b>	: emulsifiable
<b>Vapour density (Air = 1)</b>	: N/Av	<b>Evaporation rate (n-Butyl acetate = 1)</b>	: N/Av
<b>Volatile organic Compounds (VOC's)</b>	: N/Av	<b>Volatiles (% by weight)</b>	: N/Av

### SECTION 10 - REACTIVITY AND STABILITY DATA

<b>Stability and reactivity</b>	: It is strongly advised not to heat this product above 95°F / 35°C and only heat indirectly with solvent present. Above 176°F / 80°C the product will decompose rapidly, significantly increasing the risk of inducing explosions. The released heat from decomposition can raise the temperature further and accelerate decomposition.
<b>Hazardous polymerization</b>	: The decomposition is to a considerable extent dependant on time as well as temperature due to exothermic and autocatalytic reactions. The reactions involve rearrangements and polymerisation.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	: Keep this product away from heat, sparks, flame, and other sources of ignition (e.g. pilot lights, electric motors, static electricity).
<b>Materials To Avoid And Incompatibility</b>	: Avoid contact with incompatible materials. See Section 7 (Handling and Storage) for further details.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	: None known, refer to hazardous combustion products in Section 5.

### SECTION 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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- Toxicological data** : Information given is based on data on the components and the toxicology of similar products.  
LD50 Oral (rat): 450 mg/kg  
LD50 Dermal (rat): >2000 mg/kg  
LC50 Inhalation: 2.5 mg/L/4 hrs
- Carcinogenic status** : No components are listed as carcinogens by ACGIH, IARC, OSHA or NTP.
- Reproductive effects** : Not expected to have other reproductive effects.
- Teratogenicity** : Not expected to be a teratogen.
- Mutagenicity** : Dimethoate is mutagenic in bacterial tests, but not in mammalian cells or in in vivo tests.
- Epidemiology** : Not available.
- Sensitization to material** : Not expected to be a skin or respiratory sensitizer.
- Synergistic materials** : Not available.
- Irritancy** : Irritating to eyes and skin.
- other important hazards** : Cholinesterase inhibitor. Repeated exposures to cholinesterase inhibitors may, without warning, cause increased susceptibility to doses of any cholinesterase inhibitor.

**SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

- Environmental effects** : The ecological characteristics of this product have not been fully investigated. The product should not be allowed to enter drains or water courses, or be deposited where it can affect ground or surface waters. Do not discharge product unmonitored into the environment. This material is toxic to wildlife and aquatic invertebrates, and is highly toxic to bees.


- Important environmental characteristics** : This product is a pesticide. The active ingredient is: Dimethoate. The active ingredient is readily biodegradable. The active ingredient undergoes rapid degradation in the environment and, without problems, in sewage treatment plants. No adverse effects are found at concentrations up to 100 g/L in waste water treatment plants. Degradation occurs both aerobically and anaerobically, and biologically as well as abiotically.

- Ecotoxicological** : The active ingredient is: Dimethoate  
The toxicity of the active ingredient to wildlife species is measured to be:  
Fish - 96-Hr LC50, Rainbow trout (Salmo gairdneri) = 30.2 ppm  
Invertebrates - 48-Hr LC50, Daphnids (Daphnia magna) = 2.5 ppm  
Birds - LD50, Mallard duck (male), acute oral = 41.7 mg/kg  
Bees - 24-Hr LC50, Bees, topical = 0.12 µg/bee  
24-Hr LC50, Bees, oral = 0.15 µg/bee



**SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- Handling for Disposal** : Handle waste according to recommendations in Section 7.
- Methods of Disposal** : Do not contaminate water, foodstuffs, feed or seed by storage or disposal. For disposable containers, triple rinse (or equivalent) containers and add rinse material to disposal tank. Follow any additional local, state or federal requirements for cleaning containers prior to disposal. Make the empty, rinsed container unusable for further use by puncturing. Dispose in accordance with all applicable federal, state, provincial and local regulations. Contact your local, state, provincial or federal environmental agency for specific rules.
- RCRA** : If this product, as supplied, becomes a waste in the United States, it may meet the criteria of a hazardous waste as defined under RCRA, Title 40 CFR 261. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the proper waste identification and disposal method. For disposal of unused or waste material, check with local, state and federal environmental agencies.

**SECTION 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

Regulatory Information	UN Number	Shipping Name	Class	Packing Group	Label
49CFR/DOT	UN3017	Organophosphorous pesticides, liquid, toxic, flammable (Dimethoate, Cyclohexanone)	6.1	III	
<b>49CFR/DOT Additional information</b>	None.				

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TDG	UN3017	ORGANOPHOSPHORUS PESTICIDE, LIQUID, TOXIC, FLAMMABLE (Dimethoate, Cyclohexanone)	6.1	III		
<b>TDG Additional information</b>	None.					

**SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**US Federal Information:**

OSHA: This material is classified as hazardous under OSHA regulations (29CFR 1910.1200).

CERCLA Reportable Quantity (RQ) (40 CFR 117.302): See Section 6

SARA TITLE III: Sec. 302, Extremely Hazardous Substances, 40 CFR 355: No Extremely Hazardous Substances are present in this material.

SARA TITLE III: Sec. 311 and 312, MSDS Requirements, 40 CFR 370 Hazard Classes: Fire Hazard; Immediate (Acute) health hazard; Chronic Health Hazard. Under SARA Sections 311 and 312, the EPA has established threshold quantities for the reporting of hazardous chemicals. The current thresholds are 500 pounds for the threshold planning quantity (TPQ), whichever is lower, for extremely hazardous substances and 10,000 pounds for all other hazardous chemicals.

SARA TITLE III: Sec. 313, Toxic Chemicals Notification, 40 CFR 372: This product may be subject to SARA notification requirements, since it contains Toxic Chemical constituents above their de minimus concentrations. This product contains: Dimethoate.

The additional Toxic Chemical constituent listed below is believed to be at trace levels or is a trace component of the Aromatic solvent naphtha (64742-94-5).

Trimethylbenzene (CAS# 95-63-6)

**US State Right to Know Laws:**

California Proposition 65: To the best of our knowledge, this product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive harm.

**International Information:**

This product is a Pest Control Product and is not regulated as a Controlled Product under the Hazardous Products Act (HPA). For informational purposes, this product would have the following WHMIS classification:

Class B3 (Combustible Liquids)

Class D1B (Materials Causing Immediate and Serious Toxic Effects, Toxic Material)

Class F (Dangerously Reactive Material)

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

**SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

**HMIS Rating** : \* - Chronic hazard 0 - Minimal 1 - Slight 2 - Moderate 3 - Serious 4 - Severe  
*Health: \*2 Flammability: 2 Reactivity: 2*


- Legend** :
- ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
  - CA: California
  - CAS: Chemical Abstract Services
  - CERCLA: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980
  - CFR: Code of Federal Regulations
  - DOT: Department of Transportation
  - EPA: Environmental Protection Agency
  - HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System
  - HSDB: Hazardous Substances Data Bank
  - IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer
  - Inh: Inhalation
  - MSHA: Mine Safety and Health Administration
  - N/Ap: Not Applicable
  - N/Av: Not Available
  - NFPA: National Fire Protection Association
  - NIOSH: National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health
  - NTP: National Toxicology Program
  - OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration
  - PEL: Permissible exposure limit
  - RCRA: Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
  - RTECS: Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances
  - SARA: Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act

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STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit  
 TDG: Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act & Regulations  
 TLV: Threshold Limit Values  
 TPQ: Threshold Planning Quantity  
 TSCA: Toxic Substance Control Act  
 TWA: Time Weighted Average  
 WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Identification System -

**References**

- : 1. ACGIH, Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices
- 2. International Agency for Research on Cancer Monographs
- 3. Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, CCHInfoWeb databases (Chempendium, HSDB, RTECs).
- 4. Material Safety Data Sheet from manufacturer.
- 5. US EPA Title III List of Lists
- 6. California Proposition 65 List

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