



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

CHLORHEXIDINE HAND LOTION

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1. Identification of the Product and Company

Product Name:	CHLORHEXIDINE 1% HAND LOTION
Product Code:	CHL01508F
Other Names:	None allocated
Use:	Alternative means of rapid hand disinfection wherever routine hand washing is not practical (eg. wards, gynaecological units, isolation units, ambulances, patients' home). For use only where there is no gross soiling of the hands.
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2. Hazards Identification

Hazard Classification	HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE. DANGEROUS GOOD.
Risk phrase(s)	R11 – Highly Flammable; R66 – Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness and cracking; R20/22 – Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed; R36/38 – Irritating to the eyes and skin.
Safety phrase(s)	S7 - Keep container tightly closed; S16 - Keep away from sources of ignition – no smoking. S29 – Do not empty into drains. S33 – Take precautionary measures against static discharges. S45 – In case of accident or if you feel unwell seek medical advice immediately (show the label whenever possible).

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Chemical Entity	CAS No:	Proportion
Ethanol (alcohol)	64-17-5	>60% v/v
Chlorhexidine Gluconate	18472-51-0	<1% w/v
Polyethylene Glycol 400	25322-68-3	<10% w/v
Fragrance	-	<10% v/v
Colour	-	<10% w/v
Water, Purified	7732-18-5	to 100%

4. First Aid Measures

Inhalation:	Remove patient to fresh air. If respiratory irritation, dizziness, nausea or headache occurs, seek immediate medical attention. Apply artificial respiration if breathing stops.
Ingestion:	If swallowed, give large amounts of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting. Contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre.
Skin:	Remove contaminated clothing and wash skin with water. Launder contaminated clothing before use.
Eye:	Hold eyelids open and flush eye with gently running water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention promptly if irritation persists.
Advice to Doctor:	Care should be taken during emesis to prevent pulmonary aspiration of the return flow. If respiration is depressed, assisted respiration may be necessary.

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5. Fire Fighting Measures

Class 3 PG II. Highly flammable liquid. Burns with a colourless flame. Eliminate all possible sources of ignition. Ventilate area well. Contain using sand or earth and use an inert absorbent (sand, vermiculite) where appropriate. Collect and seal in properly labelled containers for disposal. Wash area down with excess water.

Extinguishing Media	Water fog/spray, carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, carbon dioxide or alcohol stable foam.
Hazards from Combustion products	On burning may emit toxic fumes including carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. Remove containers from path of fire. Heating can cause expansion and rupture of containers. Keep containers cool with water spray.
Precautions & Equipment for Fire Fighters	Fire-fighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus as exposure to vapour or combustion products is likely. Vapour is heavier than air and may travel along the ground. Distant ignition is possible.
Hazchem Code	2[Y]E

6. Accidental Release Measure

Eliminate all possible sources of ignition; take measures to prevent static discharge. Stop & contain spill; avoid entry into drains & waterways; use inert absorbent material (sand, vermiculite). Dispose all waste containers and used drums in accordance with local authority guidelines. Ventilate area well. Cleanup personnel to wear suitable respirator to minimise inhalation & protective clothing (eg gloves) to avoid skin contact.

7. Handling and Storage

Safe Handling Practices	Alcoholic solutions are highly flammable. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Avoid pooling on surfaces.Do not use near a naked flame or other ignition source.
Storage	Should not be stored or transported with flammable gases, explosives, spontaneously combustible substances, oxidising agents or foodstuffs. Store away from sources of heat or ignition. Store in a well-ventilated area and keep containers closed when not in use to avoid evaporation. Store below 25°C. Protect from light.

8. Exposure Controls; Personal Protection

Exposure Limits	There are no known Threshold Limit Values (TLV) for Chlorhexidine Hand Lotion 1% but the following limits for 100% ethanol should serve as a guide: Ethanol 1000ppm; TWA: time weighted average airborne 100% 1880mg/m ³ concentration over an eight-hour day, for a five-day working week over an entire working life.
Engineering Controls	Respiratory protection is not necessary under normal circumstances. Maintain concentration below recommended exposure limit & use with adequate ventilation at all times.
Personal Protection	Avoid contact with eyes and broken skin. If spillage or splashing is likely to occur during handling, wear safety spectacles (AS/NZS 1336). Approved barrier creams may prove useful in preventing dermatitis when prolonged skin contact is unavoidable; use PVC or neoprene gloves/aprons (AS 2161). Wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Do not smoke.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance:	Clear, pink perfumed liquid.	Flash point	21°C (closed cup)
pH:	Not known	Solubility:	Miscible in water @ 20°C
Vapour Pressure:	<58.1mbar @ 20°C	Percent Volatiles	70% v/v
Vapour Density:	Not known		
Boiling Point:	Not known		

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10. Stability and Reactivity

Chemical Stability:	Stable
Hazardous Polymerisation:	Will not occur
Incompatible Materials:	Will react with strong oxidizing agents
Conditions to Avoid:	Heat, sparks, flame and build-up of electricity.
Hazardous Decomposition:	Burning can produce carbon monoxide and/or carbon dioxide

11. Toxicological Information

Inhalation:	Moderately irritating to mucous membranes.
Ingestion:	May cause nausea and vomiting. Aspiration may cause lung damage.
Skin:	May cause irritation and reddening.
Eye:	Vapour may irritate the eyes. Liquid or mist may irritate or damage the eyes
Chronic:	Long term exposure by swallowing or repeated inhalation may cause degenerative changes in the liver, kidneys, gastrointestinal tract and heart muscle.

12. Ecological Information

Mobility in Soil:	Not known.
Persistence and Degradability:	No data available; Degree of elimination (ethanol 100%) 94%
Ecotoxicity:	Toxicity to fish (ethanol 100%): > 1000mg/l/48h.

13. Disposal Considerations

Disposal Methods & Containers:	Wash empty containers with water. Washed containers may be re-cycled, or incinerated. Waste material may be incinerated under controlled conditions where permitted. Refer to local Waste Management Authority Regulations for other approved methods. Empty containers should be decontaminated by rinsing with water prior to disposal.
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14. Transport Information

UN Number:	UN number 1170. Dangerous substance for the purpose of transport. Refer to appropriate State Regulations for storage and transport requirements.
UN Proper Shipping Name:	Ethanol Solutions
DG Class & Packing Group:	Classified as Flammable Liquid class 3, PG II.
Hazchem Code:	2[Y]E

15. Regulatory Information

Poisons Schedule:	Not scheduled
Classification:	Hazardous according to criteria of NOHSC. Dangerous Good according to criteria of the Australian Dangerous Good Code.

16. Other Information

References:	<i>Ethanol MSDS-022 issued 08/2008 CSR</i>
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