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## Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

**Cat# :** 2401, 2432

**Part Name:** Ethanol 140 Proof

**Supplier:** Decon Laboratories Inc.

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### Emergency Telephone Numbers

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## Section 2: Hazards Identification:

### Hazard Overview

#### GHS CLASSIFICATIONS

#### Health:

Flammable Liquids, Category 2

#### GHS LABEL



**Signal Word: DANGER**

#### Hazard and Precautionary Statements

H302: Harmful if swallowed

H320: Causes eye irritation

H225: Highly flammable liquid and vapour

P261: Avoid breathing dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray

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

P102: Keep out of reach of children

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

#### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

**IMMEDIATE CONCERNS:** DANGER! Flammable liquid and vapor. Harmful or fatal if swallowed. Vapor harmful. Slight skin irritant - defatting action. Eye irritant. CNS depressant

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## POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

**EYES:** Liquid is moderately irritating to the eyes. High vapor concentrations may also be irritating. Direct contact with the liquid or exposure to its vapors or mists may cause stinging, tearing, redness, swelling and eye damage

**SKIN:** Liquid is mildly irritating to the skin. Prolonged or repeated contact can result in defatting and drying of the skin which may result in skin irritation and dermatitis (rash)

**INGESTION:** Ingestion of excessive quantities may cause irritation of the digestive tract and signs of nervous system depression (headache, drowsiness, dizziness, loss of coordination and fatigue)

**INHALATION:** May cause mild irritation to the nose, throat and respiratory tract and may result in central nervous system (CNS) depression

**MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED:** Preexisting diseases in or history of ailments involving skin, central nervous system, liver and kidney

### NFPA Rating

Hazard Ratings:

These ratings are Decon Laboratories Inc.'s own assessments of the properties of the material using the ANSI/NFPA 704 Standard. Additional information can be found by consulting in the NFPA published ratings lists (List 325 and list 49).

If no data is listed the information is not available

Health 1          Flammability 3          Reactivity 0

## Section 3: Composition/ Information on ingredients

Note: Items listed with a CASRN number have no CAS# available

Item#	Name	CAS #	% in Product
1	Ethanol	64-17-5	62-70

## Section 4: First Aid Measures

**EYES:** Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while holding eyelids open. Get medical attention, if irritation occurs or persists

**SKIN:** Wash with soap and water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention, if irritation develops or persists

**INGESTION:** DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Do not attempt to give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If vomiting occurs spontaneously, keep head below hips to prevent aspiration of liquid into the lungs. Get medical attention

**INHALATION:** Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Seek immediate medical attention

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## **SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF OVEREXPOSURE**

**ACUTE TOXICITY:** Shortness of breathing, confused behavior, redness of skin, swelling of tissues, watery eyes, and nausea

## **Section 5: Fire-Fighting Measures**

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** Use "alcohol resistant" foam, dry chemical, or CO<sub>2</sub>. Water may be ineffective, but water applied as a spray can absorb some of the fire's heat and should be used to keep fire-exposed containers cool

**HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:** Carbon monoxide and unidentified organic compounds may be formed during combustion

**EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** When heated above the flash point, this material emits flammable vapors which, when mixed with air, can burn or be explosive. Fine mists or sprays may be flammable at temperatures below the flash point

**FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES:** WARNING! Flammable Liquid. Clear fire area of unprotected personnel. Do not enter confined fire space without full bunker gear, including a positive pressure NIOSH approved SCBA. Cool fire exposed containers with water

## **Section 6: Accidental Release measures**

**GENERAL PROCEDURES:** WARNING. Flammable. Ventilate area of leak or spill. Remove all sources of ignition. Clean-up personnel require protective clothing and respiratory protection from vapors. Only specially trained or qualified personnel should handle the emergency

## **Section 7: Handling and Storage**

**GENERAL PROCEDURES:** Keep away from heat, sparks, and flame. Surfaces that are hot may ignite even liquid product in the absence of sparks or flame. Extinguish pilot lights, cigarettes and turn off other sources of ignition prior to use and until all vapors are gone

**COMMENTS:** KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN! Empty containers retain product residue (liquid and/or vapor) and can be dangerous. Do not pressurize, cut weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose such containers to heat, flame, sparks static electricity, or other sources of ignition; they may explode and cause injury or death

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## Section 8: Exposure Controls/ Personal Protection

### OSHA HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS (29 CFR1910.1200)

		EXPOSURE LIMITS					
		OSHA PEL		ACGIH TLV		Supplier OEL	
Chemical Name		ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Ethanol	TWA	1000	1900	1000	1884	400	980
	STEL					400	1,225

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS:** Provide exhaust ventilation sufficient to keep the airborne concentration of this product below its exposure limits. Exhaust air may need to be cleaned by scrubbers or filters to reduce environmental contamination

### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

**EYES AND FACE:** Use chemical safety goggles and/or full face shield where splashing is possible. Contact lenses should not be worn when working with this material. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work areas

**SKIN:** Wear resistant gloves (consult your safety equipment supplier). To prevent repeated or prolonged skin contact, wear impervious clothing and boots

**RESPIRATORY:** If exposure may or does exceed occupational exposure limits (Sec. 8) use a NIOSH approved respirator to prevent overexposure. In accord with 29 CFR 1910.134 use either an atmosphere-supplying respirator or an air-purifying respirator for organic vapors

**PROTECTIVE CLOTHING:** Where splashing is possible, full chemically resistant protective clothing (e.g., acid suit) and boots are required

**WORK HYGIENIC PRACTICES:** Use good personal hygiene when handling this product. Wash hands after use, before eating, drinking, smoking, or using the toilet

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**OTHER USE PRECAUTIONS:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower

**COMMENTS:** May be harmful or fatal if swallowed. May irritate body tissues. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing vapor. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling

## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

**PHYSICAL STATE:** Liquid  
**ODOR:** Alcohol odor  
**COLOR:** Clear, colorless liquid  
**pH:** NA = Not Applicable  
**PERCENT VOLATILE:** 100  
**FLASHPOINT AND METHOD:** (60°F) CC  
**FLAMMABLE LIMITS:** 3.3% to 19%  
**AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE:** (685°F)  
**VAPOR DENSITY:** Heavier than air  
**BOILING POINT:** (173°F)  
**FREEZING POINT:** NDA = no data available  
**SOLUBILITY IN WATER:** Soluble  
**EVAPORATION RATE:** Slower than ether  
**DENSITY:** 7.34 at 25°C (77°F)  
**SPECIFIC GRAVITY:** 0.888 at 25°C (77°F)

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity:

**REACTIVITY:** Yes  
**HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:** Will not occur  
**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** Avoid heat, sparks, flame and contact with strong oxidizing agents. Do not store or handle in aluminum equipment at temperatures above 120 deg. F  
**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:** Carbon monoxide and unidentified organic compounds may be formed during combustion. There should be no decomposition if stored and applied as directed  
**INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS:** This product is incompatible with strong acids or bases, oxidizers, alkali metals, and halogens

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

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**TARGET ORGANS:** This product contains ethanol. Alcoholic beverage consumption has been associated with brain damage, heart damage, and pancreatitis in humans. The relevance of these findings to ethanol exposure in industrial environments is uncertain

## Section 12: Ecological Information

**ECOTOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION:** Avoid uncontrolled releases of this material. Where spills are possible, a comprehensive spill response plan should be developed and implemented

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

**DISPOSAL METHOD:** The preferred options for disposal are to send to licensed reclaimers, or to permitted incinerators. Any disposal practice must be in compliance with federal, state, and local regulations. Do not dump into sewers, ground, or any body of water.

**EMPTY CONTAINER: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN!** Empty containers retain product residue and can be dangerous. Contaminated packaging should be emptied as far as possible and after appropriate cleansing may be taken for reuse. Do not pressurize, cut weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose such containers to heat, flame, sparks static electricity, or other sources of ignition.

**RCRA/EPA WASTE INFORMATION:** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification

## Section 14: Transportation Information

**DOT (DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION)**

**PROPER SHIPPING NAME:** Ethanol

**PRIMARY HAZARD CLASS/DIVISION:** 3

**UN/NA NUMBER:** UN 1170

**PACKING GROUP:** II

**NAERG:** 127

**LABEL:** Flammable liquid                      Note: sizes 1 Liter or less ship as ORM-D

## Section 15: Regulatory Information

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**UNITED STATES**

## **DOT LABEL SYMBOL AND HAZARD CLASSIFICATION**



## **SARA TITLE III (SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT)**

**311/312 HAZARD CATEGORIES:** This product should be reported as an immediate (acute) health hazard, delayed (chronic) health hazard, and a fire hazard.

**FIRE:** Yes **PRESSURE GENERATING:** No **REACTIVITY:** No **ACUTE:** Yes  
**CHRONIC:** Yes.

**313 REPORTABLE INGREDIENTS:** To the best of our knowledge, this product is not listed as a toxic chemical under Section 313 of SARA Title III.

## **302/304 EMERGENCY PLANNING**

**EMERGENCY PLAN:** To the best of our knowledge, this product is not listed as an extremely hazardous substance.

## **TSCA (TOXIC SUBSTANCE CONTROL ACT)**

**TSCA STATUS:** Listed

**GENERAL COMMENTS:** The regulatory information is not intended to be comprehensive. Other regulations may apply to this material.

<b>Section 16: Other Information</b>
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