# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

Product identifier		
Product Name	METHYL CELLULOSE	
Product Code(s)	00000039865	
Other means of identification		
CAS No.	9004-67-5	
Chemical name	Cellulose, methyl ether	
Synonyms	Methylcellulose A4M; Gum Methylcellulose 55HD 4000	
Pure substance/mixture	Substance	
Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use		
Recommended use	Food additive.	
Uses advised against	No information available.	

#### **Supplier**

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#### Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone number

1 800 033 111 (ALL HOURS)

Please ensure you refer to the limitations of this Safety Data Sheet as set out in the "Other Information" section at the end of this Data Sheet.

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### GHS Classification

Not classified as dangerous goods in accordance with the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (ADG)

Not classified as a hazardous chemical in accordance with the criteria of Safe Work Australia - Globally Harmonized System (GHS)



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#### **Hazard statements**

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

May form combustible dust concentrations in air

General Hazards Dust can form an explosive mixture with air

Poisons Schedule (SUSMP) None allocated

# **3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

#### Substance

Chemical name	CAS No.	Weight-%
Cellulose, methyl ether	9004-67-5	100

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### Description of first aid measures

Emergency telephone number	Poisons Information Center, Australia: 13 11 26 Poisons Information Center, New Zealand: 0800 764 766	
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. Call a physician if symptoms occur.	
Eye contact	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids. Consult a physician.	
Skin contact	Wash skin with soap and water. Call a physician if symptoms occur.	
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.	
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed		
Symptoms	No information available.	

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to physicians Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES	
Suitable Extinguishing Media	
Suitable Extinguishing Media	Dry chemical, CO2, water spray or regular foam.

Unsuitable extinguishing media Do not use straight streams.

fire-fighters

Specific hazards arising from the chemical		
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Combustible material. Dust can form an explosive mixture with air. Avoid generation of dust.	
Hazardous combustion products	Carbon oxides.	
Special protective actions for fire-fighters		
Special protective equipment for	Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout	

gear. Use personal protection equipment.

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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

Personal precautions	Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. Avoid generation of dust. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Wash thoroughly after handling.	
For emergency responders	Use personal protection recommended in Section 8.	
Environmental precautions		
Environmental precautions	Prevent product from entering drains.	
Methods and material for containment and cleaning up		
Methods for containment	Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.	
Methods for cleaning up	Use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). Carefully shovel or sweep up spilled material and place in suitable container. Avoid generating dust.	

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling		
Advice on safe handling	Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. Fine dust dispersed in air, in sufficient concentrations, and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard. Avoid generation of dust. Ground and bond all lines and equipment associated with product system. All equipment should be non-sparking and explosion proof. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.	
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities		
Storage Conditions	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Store away from sources of heat or ignition. Keep container closed when not in use.	
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidizing agents.	
Poisons Schedule (SUSMP)	None allocated	

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Control parameters**

#### Exposure Limits

No value assigned for this specific material by Safe Work Australia. However, Workplace Exposure Standard(s) for particulates:

Dusts not otherwise classified: 8hr TWA = 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

As published by Safe Work Australia Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants.

TWA - The time-weighted average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over an eight-hour working day, for a five-day working week.

These Workplace Exposure Standards are guides to be used in the control of occupational health hazards. All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable. These workplace exposure standards should not be used as fine dividing lines between safe and dangerous concentrations of chemicals. They are not a measure of relative toxicity.

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering controls

Apply technical measures to comply with the occupational exposure limits.

If in the handling and application of this material, safe exposure levels could be exceeded, the use of engineering controls such as local exhaust ventilation must be considered and the results documented. If achieving safe exposure levels does not require engineering controls, then a detailed and documented risk assessment using the relevant Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) (refer to PPE section below) as a basis must be carried out to determine the minimum PPE requirements.

#### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

The selection of PPE is dependent on a detailed risk assessment. The risk assessment should consider the work situation, the physical form of the chemical, the handling methods, and environmental factors.

OVERALLS, SAFETY SHOES, SAFETY GLASSES, GLOVES, DUST MASK.

Eye/face protection	Glasses.
Skin and body protection	Wear suitable protective clothing. Overalls. Antistatic boots.
Hand protection	Impervious gloves.
Respiratory protection	If determined by a risk assessment an inhalation risk exists, wear a dust mask meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716.
Environmental exposure controls	No information available.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties Physical state Solid

Appearance Color Odor Odor threshold	Powder or Granules Off-white Odourless No information available.	
Property	Values	Remarks • Method
pH	No data available	None known
Melting point / freezing point	No data available	None known
Boiling point / boiling range	No data available	None known
Flash point	No data available	None known
Evaporation rate	No data available	None known
Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available	None known
Flammability Limit in Air		None known
Upper flammability or explosive limits	No data available	
Lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available	
Vapor pressure	No data available	None known
Vapor density	No data available	None known
Relative density	No data available	None known
Water solubility	No data available	None known
Solubility(ies)	Soluble in water	None known
Partition coefficient	No data available	None known
Autoignition temperature	No data available	None known
Decomposition temperature	No data available	None known
Kinematic viscosity	No data available	None known
Dynamic viscosity	No data available	None known

Other information

# **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity		
Reactivity	No information available.	
Chemical stability		
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.	
Explosion data Sensitivity to mechanical impact None.		
Sensitivity to static discharge	Fine dust dispersed in air, in sufficient concentrations, and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard.	
Possibility of hazardous reactions		
Possibility of hazardous reactions	Dust can form an explosive mixture with air.	
Conditions to avoid		
Conditions to avoid	Heat, flames and sparks. Dust formation. Static discharge (electrostatic discharge).	
Incompatible materials		
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidizing agents.	
Hazardous decomposition products	<u>S</u>	

Hazardous decomposition products Carbon oxides.

# **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### Acute toxicity

#### Information on likely routes of exposure

Product Information	No adverse health effects expected if the chemical is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the chemical label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the chemical is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:
Inhalation	May cause irritation of respiratory tract.
Eye contact	Dust contact with the eyes can lead to mechanical irritation.
Skin contact	Prolonged or repeated contact may dry skin and cause irritation.
Ingestion	May cause gastrointestinal discomfort if consumed in large amounts.
Symptoms	No information available.

Numerical measures of toxicity - Product Information No information available.

See section 16 for terms and abbreviations

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Skin corrosion/irritation	No information available.	
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	No information available.	
Respiratory or skin sensitization	No information available.	
Germ cell mutagenicity	No information available.	
Carcinogenicity	No information available.	
Reproductive toxicity	No information available.	
STOT - single exposure	No information available.	
STOT - repeated exposure	No information available.	
Aspiration hazard	No information available.	

# **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Ecotoxicity** 

Ecotoxicity

Keep out of waterways.

Persistence and degradability

Persistence and degradability	No information available.
Bioaccumulative potential	
Bioaccumulation	No information available.
<u>Mobility</u>	
Mobility in soil	No information available.
Other adverse effects	

# **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues/unused<br/>productsDispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with<br/>environmental legislation.

## **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

#### <u>ADG</u>

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for transport by Road and Rail; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

#### <u>IATA</u>

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

#### IMDG

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

## **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

#### Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### National regulations

#### Australia

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See section 8 for national exposure control parameters

Poisons Schedule (SUSMP) None allocated

#### International Inventories AICS

This material is listed on the Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals.

#### Legend:

- Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals

**International Regulations** 

The Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer Not applicable

The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants Not applicable

The Rotterdam Convention Not applicable

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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This Safety Data Sheet has been prepared by Ixom Operations Pty Ltd (Toxicology and SDS Services).

#### **Revision Note:**

The symbol (\*) in the margin of this SDS indicates that this line has been revised.

#### Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

Legend	Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL	L PROTECTION	
TWA	TWA (time-weighted average)	STEL	STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)
Ceiling	Maximum limit value	*	Skin designation
С	Carcinogen		-

#### Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS

EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGL(s)) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals Food Research Journal Hazardous Substance Database International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID) Japan GHS Classification Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS) NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health) National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP) National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED) National Toxicology Program (NTP) New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID) Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Program Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set RTECS (Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances) World Health Organization

#### **Disclaimer**

This SDS summarises to our best knowledge at the date of issue, the chemical health and safety hazards of the material and general guidance on how to safely handle the material in the workplace. Since Ixom Operations Pty Ltd cannot

anticipate or control the conditions under which the product may be used, each user must, prior to usage, assess and control the risks arising from its use of the material.

If clarification or further information is needed, the user should contact their Bronson & Jacobs representative or Ixom Operations Pty Ltd at the contact details on page 1.

Ixom Operations Pty Ltd's responsibility for the material as sold is subject to the terms and conditions of sale, a copy of which is available upon request.

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