

# **Great Lakes Chemical Corporation**

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Bromide (MUP)

# SECTION I - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Meth-O-Gas® 100, Meth-O-Gas® Q, Methyl Bromide (MUP)

Manufacturer: Great Lakes Chemical Corporation

 Address:
 P.O. Box 2200
 City:
 West Lafayette

 State:
 Indiana
 Zip:
 47996-2200

Emergency Telephone Number: 1-800-949-5167

**Information Telephone Number:** 1-765-497-6100 **Fax:** 1-765-497-6123

Chemtrec Phone: 1-800-424-9300; Internationally call 703-527-3887

**Effective Date:** 07/19/2006 **Supercede Date:** 08/22/2003

MSDS Prepared By: Regulatory Affairs Department/Great Lakes Chemical Corporation

Synonyms: Meth-O-Gas, Bromomethane Product Use: EPA Registered Pesticide

Chemical Name: Methyl bromide
Chemical Family: Alkyl bromide

Additional Information

No information available

SECTION II - COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS					
INGREDIENT NAME	CAS No.	%	EXPOSURE LIMITS		
Dimethyl ether	115106	~0.2	Y (Hazardous)		
			Not established (OSHA PEL TWA)		
			Not established (OSHA PEL STEL)		
			Not established (OSHA PEL CEIL)		
			Not established (ACGIH TLV TWA)		
			Not established (ACGIH TLV STEL)		
			Not established (ACGIH TLV CEIL)		
Methyl bromide	d bromide 74839 >99.5		Y (Hazardous)		
			Not established (OSHA PEL TWA)		
			Not established (OSHA PEL STEL)		
			C20 ppm (Skin) (OSHA PEL CEIL)		
			1 ppm (Skin) (ACGIH TLV TWA)		
			Not established (ACGIH TLV STEL)		
			Not established (ACGIH TLV CEIL)		
Methyl chloride	74873	~0.2	Y (Hazardous)		
			50 ppm (OSHA PEL TWA)		
			100 ppm (OSHA PEL STEL)		
			Not established (OSHA PEL CEIL)		
			50 ppm (ACGIH TLV TWA)		

<sup>\*</sup>Indented chemicals are components of previous ingredient.

Additional Information

100 ppm (ACGIH TLV STEL) Not established (ACGIH TLV CEIL)

EPA Fumigation Limit = 5 ppm

# **SECTION III - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

**Emergency Overview:** Colorless gas at normal temperatures and pressures

Odorless

Highly toxic. May be fatal if inhaled.

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Toxic. Harmful if swallowed.

Contact can result in chemical burns.

Respiratory distress Lung damage Cardiac arrest

May cause central nervous system effects.

**Relevant Routes of Exposure:** 

Signs and Symptoms of Overexposure:

Ingestion, inhalation and skin absorption

Symptoms appear slowly and include: dizziness, blurred vision, lassitude, sensation of fatigue, staggering gait, slurred speech, nausea, vomiting, lack of appetite, and loss of muscle coordination. High concentrations can cause convulsions, very high concentrations cause lung damage. Prolonged skin and

eye contact can cause burns.

**Medical Conditions Generally** 

**Aggravated By Exposure:** Dermatitis

Respiratory disorders

**<u>Potential Health Effects:</u>** See Section XI for additional information.

Eyes: Chemical burns are possible.

Blurred vision

**Skin:** Chemical burns are possible.

**Ingestion:** Toxic. May be harmful if swallowed.

**Inhalation:** Highly toxic. May be fatal if inhaled. May cause respiratory distress, cardiac

arrest and nervous system effects.

Chronic Health Effects: Chronic overexposure may cause neurotoxic effects including peripheral nerve

damage and central nervous system effects, respiratory effects and cardiac

effects.

ACGIH has classified methyl bromide as an A4, Not Classifiable as a Human

Carcinogen.

Methyl bromide has been classified as Group 3 by IARC. An IARC Group 3 material exhibits limited evidence for carcinogenicity in experimental animals

and no human data.

Based on an epidemiology study, methyl bromide may be associated with an increase in prostate cancer risk in both private and commercial pesticide

applicators.

May cause genotoxic effects.

**Carcinogenicity:** 

NTP: No ACGIH: No IARC: No OTHER: No

OSHA: No

Additional Information

No information available

# **SECTION IV - FIRST AID MEASURES**

**Eves:** In all cases of overexposure, get medical attention immediately. Take person to a

doctor or emergency treatment facility.

If in eyes, hold eyelids open and flush with steady gentle stream of water for at

least 15 minutes.

**Skin:** In all cases of overexposure, get medical attention immediately. Take person to a

doctor or emergency treatment facility.

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If on skin, immediately remove contaminated clothing, shoes, and other items

covering skin. Wash contaminated skin area thoroughly with soap and water.

**Ingestion:** In all cases of overexposure, get medical attention immediately. Take person to a

doctor or emergency treatment facility.

Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

**Inhalation:** In all cases of overexposure, get medical attention immediately. Take person to a

doctor or emergency treatment facility.

If inhaled, remove exposed person from contaminated area. Keep warm. Make

sure person can breathe freely. If breathing has stopped, give artificial

respiration. Give oxygen if needed. If not unconscious, rinse mouth out with

water.

**Antidotes:** No information available

Notes to Physicians and/or Protection

for First-Aiders: No information available

Additional Information

No information available

# SECTION V - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable Limits in Air (% by

Volume): ~10-15% Flash Point: None Autoignition Temperature: Not available

**Extinguishing Media:** All conventional media are suitable.

**Fire Fighting Instructions:** Wear a self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent skin

and eye contact in fire situations.

**Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** Under fire conditions, toxic and irritating fumes may be emitted.

Non-flammable gas

Containers can explode in fire situations. Use water spray to cool containers

exposed to heat.

Non-flammable in concentrated form. See Flammable Limits in Air. Methyl bromide is ignitable by a high energy spark at the flammability limits listed

above.

Flammability Classification:

**Known or Anticipated Hazardous** 

**Products of Combustion:** Hydrogen bromide and/or bromine Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Additional Information

No information available

# SECTION VI - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Accidental Release Measures: Evacuate immediate area of spill or leak. Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved self-

contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) or combination air-supplied/SCBA respirator for entry into affected area to correct problem. Move leaking or damaged cylinders or containers outdoors or to an isolated location, observing strict safety precautions. Work upwind if possible. Allow spill to evaporate. Do not permit entry into spill area by persons without appropriate respiratory protection until concentration of methyl bromide is determined to be less than 5

ppm.

Personal Precautions: See Section VIII.
Environmental Precautions: No information available

Additional Information

No information available

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# SECTION VII - HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling:** Use appropriate personal protection equipment.

Avoid eye, skin and clothing contact.

Do not breathe mist or vapor.

Cylinders should not be subjected to rough handling or mechanical shock such as dropping, bumping, dragging, or sliding. Do not use rope slings, hooks, tongs, or similar devices to unload cylinders. Transport cylinders using hand truck, fork truck or other device to which the cylinder can be firmly secured. Do not remove valve protection bonnet and safety cap until immediately before use. Replace safety cap and valve protection bonnet when cylinder is not in use. When cylinder is empty close, valve, screw safety cap onto valve outlet, and replace protection bonnet before returning to shipper. Only a registrant is authorized to

refill cylinders. Do not use cylinders for any other purpose.

Storage: Store upright in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area under lock and key. Post as a

pesticide storage area.

Store cylinders upright, secured to a rack or wall to prevent tipping.

Keep container tightly closed.

**Other Precautions:** Methyl bromide has no odor at dangerous levels and is extremely hazardous.

Do not contaminate water, food, or feed by storage or disposal.

Additional Information

No information available

#### SECTION VIII - EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Engineering Controls:** No information available

**Ventilation Requirements:** Use local ventilation to keep levels below established threshold values.

Use mechanical ventilation for general area control.

Ventilation is essential when indoors.

**Personal Protective Equipment:** 

**Eve/Face Protection:** Full face shield or safety glasses with brow and temple shields. Do NOT wear

goggles.

**Skin Protection:** Do not use gloves.

Loose-fitting or well ventilated long-sleeved shirt and pants. Shoes and socks. Do NOT wear jewelry, gloves, tight clothing, rubber protective clothing, or

rubber boots when handling.

**Respiratory Protection:** If the concentration of methyl bromide as measured by detector tube exceeds 5

ppm at any time, all persons in fumigation area must wear NIOSH/MSHA

approved SCBA.

Consult the OSHA respiratory protection information located at 29CFR 1910.134

and the American National Standard Institute's Practices of Respiratory

Protection Z88.2.

**Other Protective Clothing or** 

**Equipment:** 

Pump and detector tubes for determining methyl bromide concentrations.

See Section II.

**Work Hygienic Practices:** 

**Exposure Guidelines:** 

Make sure piping is empty before doing maintenance work.

All persons working with methyl bromide should be trained in the hazards, use of required respirator equipment, emergency procedures and in the proper use of

methyl bromide as a fumigant where applicable.

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No information available

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### SECTION IX - PHYSICAL & CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Colorless gas at normal Percent Volatile: Not available Appearance:

temperatures and pressures. Colorless liquid below boiling point of methyl

bromide.

38.5 degrees F (3.6 degrees Not available **Boiling Point:** pH Value:

C)

**Bulk Density:** Not available pH Concentration: Not available

Colorless Color: **Physical State:** Gas

Reactivity in Water: **Decomposition Temperature:** Not available Not water reactive **Evaporation Rate:** Not available Saturated Vapor

**Concentration:** Not available **Freezing Point:** Not available **Softening Point:** Not available

**Heat Value:** 

1.75 g/100 g of water at 68 Solubility in Water: Not available degrees F

**Melting Point:** Not available Specific Gravity or

Density (Water=1): 1.7 at 0 degrees C

Molecular/Chemical Formula: CH3Br Vapor Density: ~3.27

1400 at 68 degrees F, 2600 Molecular Weight: 94.94 Vapor Pressure:

at 104 degrees F Not available

**Octanol/Water Partition Coefficient:** Not available Viscosity: Odor:

Volatile Organic Odorless

Not available **Compounds:** 

Not available Water/Oil Distribution **Odor Threshold:** 

**Coefficient:** Not available

**Particle Size:** Not available Weight Per Gallon: 14.45 pounds

#### Additional Information

Latent heat of fusion: 62.987 kJ/kg at -93.6 degrees C Heat of transition: 4.998 kJ/kg at -99.4 degrees C

Specific heat ratio, gas: 1.227 at 101.325 kPa at 25 degrees C

#### SECTION X - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability: Stable under normal conditions of handling and use.

**Conditions to Avoid:** None known

**Incompatibility With Other Materials:** 

Aluminum Magnesium Zinc

Alkali metals Strong bases

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** 

Thermal decomposition may produce the following:

Hydrogen bromide and/or bromine Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur

> **Conditions to Avoid:** None

> > Additional Information

No information available

# SECTION XI - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

VALUE (LD50 or LC50)	ANIMAL	ROUTES	COMPONENTS
3,120 ppm/15 Minutes	Rat	Acute Inhalation	Methyl Bromide
302 ppm/8H	Rat	Acute Inhalation	Methyl Bromide
214 mg/kg	Rat	Acute Oral	Methyl Bromide

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#### **Toxicological Information:**

An inhalation LCLo of 60,000 ppm for 2 hours has been found in humans. Methyl bromide is a poison and can cause respiratory distress, cardiac arrest and central nervous system effects. Overexposure may cause neurotoxic effects from which recovery may be slow.

Methyl bromide demonstrates genotoxicity in several test systems at levels above the TLV.

In a two year inhalation cancer bioassay with rats at 3, 30 and 90 ppm no tumors were observed.

In a two generation inhalation reproduction study with rats at 3, 30 and 90 ppm the no observed effect level was 3 ppm. At the higher doses organ weight variation was observed in some offspring.

In a 24 month chronic dietary study in rats, a no observable effect level (NOEL) for systemic toxicity of microencapsulated methyl bromide was considered to be 50 ppm (equivalent to 2.20 mg/kg/day for males and 2.92 mg/kg/day for females). The low observable effect level (LOEL) was considered to be 250 ppm (equivalent to 11.10 mg/kg/day for males and 15.12 mg/kg/day for females) based on reduced food consumption, body weight gains and body weights noted during the first 12 to 18 months of the study. Methyl bromide was not oncogenic upon dietary administration for two years.

In a two year inhalation study in B6C3FI mice, exposed to levels of 0, 10, 33 or 100 ppm for 6 hours per day, 5 days per week, degenerative changes in the cerebellum and cerebrum, myocardial degeneration and cardiomyopathy, sternal dysplasia, and olfactory epithelial necrosis and metaplasia were observed. There was no evidence of carcinogenic activity.

In an EPA/NIH sponsored epidemiology study entitled Agricultural Health Study, pesticides were evaluated based on cancer related deaths and questionnaire results provided by farmers, nursery workers and commercial pesticide applicators in Iowa and North Carolina. Results associated methyl bromide with an increase in prostate cancer risk in pesticide applicators. Exposures to methyl bromide were not confirmed. Incidence and intensity estimations were based solely on self-reporting via a questionnaire. Although the interpretation of the data collected in the study led to a statistically significant increase in prostate cancer risk for methyl bromide applicators, the authors could not rule out the possibility that the observations may have occurred by chance alone and findings need to be confirmed.

Additional Information

No information available

### SECTION XII - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecological Information:** These products are toxic to fish and wildlife. Keep out of lakes, streams and ponds. Do not contaminate water by cleaning of equipment or disposal of

wastes.

Additional Information

No information available

#### **SECTION XIII - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Disposal Considerations:** Pesticide wastes are toxic.

Pesticide wastes are toxic. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mixture or rinsate is a violation of Federal law. If these wastes cannot be disposed of by use according to label instructions, contact your State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency or the Hazardous Waste representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.

#### Additional Information

Return empty cylinders freight collect to the Great Lakes Chemical Corporation location from which shipment was made. Close cylinder valve by turning clockwise until hand tight. Disconnect lines. Replace safety caps and bonnet. Return partial cylinders only after consulting Great Lakes Chemical Corporation for proper shipping instructions.

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### **SECTION XIV - TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

U.S. DOT

**Proper Shipping Name:** Methyl Bromide

**Hazard Class:** 2.3 ID Number: UN1062 **Packing Group:** N/A Labels: Poison Gas **Special Provisions:** 3, B14, T50 **Packaging Exceptions:** None **Non-Bulk Packaging:** 193 **Bulk Packaging:** 314, 315 Passenger Air/Rail Limit: Forbidden **Air Cargo Limit:** 25 kg **Vessel Stowage:** D Other Stowage: 40

**Reportable Quantity:** 1000 lb

AIR - ICAO OR IATA

Proper Shipping Name:ForbiddenHazard Class:N/AID Number:N/ASubsidiary Risk:N/APacking Group:N/AHazard Labels:N/APacking Instructions:N/A

Hazard Labels: N/A Packing Instructions:
Air Passenger Limit Per Package: N/A Packing Instruction -

NA

Cargo: N/A
Air Cargo Limit Per Package: N/A
Special Provisions Code: A2, A126

WATER - IMDG

Proper Shipping Name: Methyl Bromide

Hazard Class:2.3ID Number:UN1062Packing Group:N/ASubsidiary Risk:N/A

Additional Information

Poison Inhalation Hazard

**Medical First Aid Guide Code:** 

EmS No. F-C, S-U CERCLA ROs:

Methyl bromide = 1,000 lb Methyl chloride = 100 lb

# **SECTION XV - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

#### **U.S. Federal Regulations:**

The components of this product are either on the TSCA Inventory or exempt (i.e. impurities, a polymer complying with the exemption rule at 40 CFR 723.250) from the Inventory.

These products are offered as EPA registered pesticides.

#### **SARA 313**

The following materials are subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 and 40 CFR Part 372:

Methyl Bromide (De Minimus Concentration = 1%)

Methyl Chloride (De Minimus Concentration = 1%)

#### **CERCLA Reportable Quantities:**

Methyl Bromide = 1,000 lb

Methyl Chloride = 100 lb

#### SARA RQ:

Methyl Bromide = 1000 lb

#### OSHA Highly Hazardous Chemicals::

Methyl Bromide, TO = 2,500 lb

Methyl Chloride, TQ = 15,000 lb

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# **SECTION XV - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

In compliance with Section 611 of the Clean Air Act:

WARNING: Contains methyl bromide, a substance which harms public health and environment by destroying ozone in the upper atmosphere.

#### **State Regulations:**

Methyl bromide:

New Jersey Right To Know Hazardous Substance List (1% reporting limit)

Pennsylvania Environmental Hazard List

Massachusetts Extraordinarily Hazardous Substance (1 ppm reporting limit)

#### Dimethyl Ether:

New Jersey Special Health Hazard Substance List (0.1% reporting limit)

Pennsylvania Hazardous Substance List (1% reporting limit)

Massachusetts Substance List

#### Methyl Chloride:

New Jersey Special Health Hazard Substance List (0.1% reporting limit)

Pennsylvania Environmental Hazard List

Massachusetts Substance List

### **International Regulations:**

This material (or each component) is listed on the following inventories:

Canada - DSL

**EU - EINECS** 

Australia - AICS

Japan - ENCS

Korea - ECL

Philippines - PICCS

China - List I

Canadian Disclosure List (1%) - Methyl chloride

Canadian WHMIS Hazard Class and Division = A., D.1.a

#### **SARA Hazards:**

Acute:YesChronic:YesReactive:NoFire:NoPressure:No

#### Additional Information

The above regulatory information represents only selected regulations and is not meant to be a complete list.

#### **SECTION XVI - OTHER INFORMATION**

**NFPA Codes:** 

Health:3Flammability:1Reactivity:0Other:N

**HMIS Codes:** \* indicates chronic health hazard.

Health:3\*Flammability:1Reactivity:0Protection:X

Label Statements:Not availableOther Information:Abbreviations:

(L) = Loose bulk density in g/ml

LOEC = Lowest observed effect concentration

MATC = Maximum acceptable toxicant concentration

NA = Not available N/A = Not applicable NL = Not limited

NOAEL = No observable adverse effect level NOEC = No observed effect concentration

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# **SECTION XVI - OTHER INFORMATION**

NOEL = No observable effect level

NR = Not rated

(P) = Packed bulk density in g/ml

PNOR = Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated PNOS = Particulates Not Otherwise Specified

REL = Recommended exposure limit

TS = Trade secret

#### Additional Information

Information on this form is furnished solely for the purpose of compliance with OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard, 29CFR 1910.1200 and the Canadian Hazardous Products Act and associated Controlled Products Regulations and shall not be used for any other purpose.

**Revision Information:** 

General review and update