

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification of the substance/preparation and of the company/undertaking

Product name : THINNERS
Product Code : AT2001
Product Use : Industrial applications.
Used by Spraying : Yes.
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2. Composition/information on ingredients

Substances presenting a health or environmental hazard within the meaning of the Dangerous Substances Directive 67/548/EEC.

Chemical name*	CAS No.	EC Number	%	R-Phrases
Xylene	1330-20-7	215-535-7	50-100	R10 Xn; R20/21 Xi; R38
Solvent naphtha (petroleum), light arom.	64742-95-6	265-199-0	0.5-1	R10 Xn; R65 Xi; R37 R66 N; R51/53
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	95-63-6	202-436-9	0.5-1	R10 Xn; R20 Xi; R36/37/38 N; R51/53

* Occupational Exposure Limit(s), if available, are listed in section 8

3. Hazards identification

Physical/Chemical Hazards : Flammable.
Human health hazards : Harmful by inhalation and in contact with skin.
Irritating to skin.
Harmful: may cause lung damage if swallowed.

4. First aid measures

- General** : In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical attention. If unconscious, place in recovery position and seek medical advice. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
- Inhalation** : Remove to fresh air. Keep person warm and at rest. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.
- Eye Contact** : Immediately irrigate copiously with clean water for 5-10 minutes, keeping eyelids open. Get medical attention.
- Skin Contact** : Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water or use a suitable skin cleaner. Do NOT use solvents or thinners.
- Ingestion** : Seek immediate medical attention. Keep person warm and at rest. DO NOT induce vomiting. If vomiting, hold down the head to reduce the risk of getting stomach content into the lungs.
- Burns** : Rinse with water until the pain ceases. During rinsing, remove clothes, which are not burnt on, from the damaged area. In severe cases, rinse with tepid water for 30-40 minutes or until medical staff arrive. If possible, protect the burnt area with a bandage, clean towel or similar. Prevent shock.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

- Suitable** : In case of fire, use water spray (fog), foam, dry chemicals, or CO₂. Closed containers may be cooled with water spray.
- Not suitable** : Do NOT use a jet of water, water from buckets etc., which may spread the fire.
- Hazardous thermal decomposition products** : Refer to MSDS: # Section 10

6. Accidental release measures

- Personal precautions** : Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapors and spray mist. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8. Keep unnecessary personnel away. No smoking.
- Spill** : Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed. Absorb with DRY earth, sand or other non-combustible material. In case of a major spill, contact the Fire Department.
Keep away from sources of ignition and ventilate the area.

7. Handling and storage

- Handling** : Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Prevent the creation of flammable or explosive concentrations of vapors in air and avoid vapor concentrations higher than the occupational exposure limits. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in area where this product is handled. Personal Protective Equipment, see section 8. Keep away from incompatibles mentioned in section 10.
- The product must not be used near open flames or other sources of ignition. Use approved electrical equipment to avoid explosion. The product may charge electrostatically. Always connect containers to ground, and from the source to the recipient container, when transferring from one to another. Only non-sparking tools should be used.

- Storage** : Keep container tightly closed. Store in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area. Storage temperature: refer to the Technical Data Sheet. Keep away from incompatibles mentioned in section 10.
Store in accordance with applicable regulations for flammable liquids. Isolate from sources of heat, sparks, open flame and other sources of ignition.
- Packaging materials** : Never use pressure to empty: container is not a pressure vessel. Always keep in containers made from the same material as the original one.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

- Engineering measures** : Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapours below their respective Occupational Exposure Limits. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
- Hygiene measures** : Wash hands, forearms, and face thoroughly after handling and before eating, smoking, using lavatory, and at the end of the day. Always immediately wash contaminated skin. Apply a suitable skin lotion.

<u>Ingredient Name</u>	<u>Occupational Exposure Limits</u>
Xylene	EH40-OES (United Kingdom (UK), 2002). Skin STEL: 441 mg/m ³ STEL: 100 ppm TWA: 220 mg/m ³ TWA: 50 ppm
Solvent naphtha (petroleum), light arom. 1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	Not available. EH40-OES (United Kingdom (UK), 2002). TWA: 25 ppm TWA: 125 mg/m ³

Personal protective equipment

- Respiratory system** : Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. If exposure to dust cannot be avoided by local exhaust ventilation, suitable dust filter must be used.
- Eyes** : Wear safety glasses or other suitable protective equipment if there is a risk of splashing.
- Skin and body** : Wear suitable protective clothing. Cotton or cotton/synthetic overalls are normally suitable. Do NOT use clothes, which readily charge electrostatically.
- Hands** : Wear suitable gloves.

9. Physical and chemical properties

- Physical state** : Liquid.
- Density** : 0.86 g/cm³
- Flash point** : Closed cup: 25°C (77°F). (ASTM 6450)
- Auto-ignition temperature** : The lowest known value is 450 to 525°C (842 to 977°F) (Xylene).
- Explosion Limits** : Lowest Lower : 1%-v/v, Highest upper : 8%-v/v.
- Vapor Pressure** : The highest known value is 0.6 to 1.1 kPa (4.5 to 8.3 mm Hg) (at 20°C) (Xylene).
- Boiling Point** : >35°C (95°F)
- VOC Content** : Contains 99.546 wt% VOC. Contains 90.1855 wt% Carbon as VOC. This product contains VOC. You may be subject to environmental control legislation under Integrated Pollution Control (IPC) or Integrated Pollution & Prevention (IPPC) Regulations. Contact your local Environmental Agency Office if in doubt.

10. Stability and reactivity

Stability	: The product is stable.
Reactivity	: Reactive with oxidizing agents, acids. Slightly reactive to reactive with reducing agents.
Hazardous thermal decomposition products	: These products are carbon oxides (CO, CO ₂).

11. Toxicological information

Inhalation	: Exposure to component solvent vapor concentrations in excess of the stated occupational exposure limit may result in adverse health effects such as mucous membrane and respiratory system irritation and adverse effects on the kidneys, liver and central nervous system. Symptoms and signs include headaches, dizziness, fatigue, muscular weakness, drowsiness and, in extreme cases, loss of consciousness.
Eye Contact	: Can cause irritation and temporary damage if splashes come in contact with the eye.
Skin Contact	: Repeated or prolonged contact with the preparation may cause removal of natural fat from the skin, resulting in non-allergic contact dermatitis and absorption through the skin.
Ingestion	: Ingestion may lead to stomach pains, nausea, vomiting and other symptoms, similar to those caused by inhalation.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity	: There is no data available on the preparation itself.
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13. Disposal considerations



European Waste Catalogue (EWC)	: 080111
Hazardous Waste	: The classification of the product may meet the criteria for a hazardous waste
Methods of disposal	: Do not allow to enter drains or watercourses. Ship for treatment/disposal in accordance with local regulations.

14. Transport information

UN number	: 1263
ADR/RID Class	: 3
ADR/RID Item number	: 31(c)
Proper shipping name	: Paint
Packing Group	: III
ADR/RID label	:

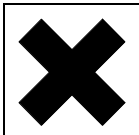


IMDG Class	: 3
Packing Group	: III

IMDG label	:	
Medical First Aid Guide (MFAG)	:	310
Emergency Schedules (EmS)	:	3-05
Marine pollutant	:	Not pollutant.
IATA-DGR Class	:	3
IATA label	:	

15. Regulatory information

Classification

Hazard symbol(s)	:	
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Classification	:	Harmful
Risk Phrases	:	R10- Flammable. R20/21- Harmful by inhalation and in contact with skin. R38- Irritating to skin. R65- Harmful: may cause lung damage if swallowed.
Safety Phrases	:	S16- Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. S23- Do not breathe spray or vapor. S33- Take precautionary measures against static discharges. S36/37- Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves. S38- In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment.
Contains	:	Xylene 215-535-7

Other Information

Additional Warning Phrases	:	Not applicable.
Restriction to Market Directive	:	Not applicable.

16. Other information

Full text of R phrases referred to in Sections 2 and 3 United Kingdom (UK)	:	
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Notice to Reader

The information in this Safety Data Sheet is based on the present state of our knowledge, and on current EU regulations and national laws. It provides guidance on health, safety and environmental aspects of the product, and should not be constructed as any guarantee of technical performance or suitability for particular applications. The product should not be used for purposes other than those shown in Section 1, without first referring to the supplier and obtaining written handling instructions. As the specific conditions of the use of the product are outside the supplier's control, the user is responsible for ensuring that the requirements of relevant legislation are complied with.