

Betamethasone Liquid Formulation

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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Betamethasone Liquid Formulation

Manufacturer or supplier's details

Company name of supplier : Merck & Co., Inc
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Kenilworth - New Jersey - USA 1685
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Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use : Pharmaceutical

SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**GHS classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1200**

Reproductive toxicity : Category 1B
Specific target organ systemic toxicity - repeated exposure : Category 1 (Pituitary gland, Immune system, muscle, thymus, Blood, Adrenal gland)

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms : 

Signal Word : Danger

Hazard Statements : H360D May damage the unborn child.
H372 Causes damage to organs (Pituitary gland, Immune system, muscle, thymus, Blood, Adrenal gland) through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Precautionary Statements : **Prevention:**
P201 Obtain special instructions before use.
P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P260 Do not breathe mist or vapors.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/

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face protection.

Response:

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.

Storage:

P405 Store locked up.

Disposal:

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

Other hazards

None known.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Mixture

Hazardous ingredients

Chemical name	CAS-No.	Concentration (% w/w)
Betamethasone	378-44-9	>= 0.1 - < 1

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice	: In the case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately. When symptoms persist or in all cases of doubt seek medical advice.
If inhaled	: If inhaled, remove to fresh air. Get medical attention.
In case of skin contact	: In case of contact, immediately flush skin with soap and plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse.
In case of eye contact	: Flush eyes with water as a precaution. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
If swallowed	: If swallowed, DO NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention. Rinse mouth thoroughly with water.
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed	: May damage the unborn child. Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
Protection of first-aiders	: First Aid responders should pay attention to self-protection,

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Notes to physician : and use the recommended personal protective equipment when the potential for exposure exists.
 : Treat symptomatically and supportively.

SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray
 Alcohol-resistant foam
 Carbon dioxide (CO₂)
 Dry chemical

Unsuitable extinguishing media : None known.

Specific hazards during fire fighting : Exposure to combustion products may be a hazard to health.

Hazardous combustion products : No hazardous combustion products are known

Specific extinguishing methods : Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
 Use water spray to cool unopened containers.
 Remove undamaged containers from fire area if it is safe to do so.
 Evacuate area.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters : In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus.
 Use personal protective equipment.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures : Use personal protective equipment.
 Follow safe handling advice and personal protective equipment recommendations.

Environmental precautions : Discharge into the environment must be avoided.
 Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.
 Prevent spreading over a wide area (e.g., by containment or oil barriers).
 Retain and dispose of contaminated wash water.
 Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Soak up with inert absorbent material.
 For large spills, provide diking or other appropriate containment to keep material from spreading. If diked material can be pumped, store recovered material in appropriate container.
 Clean up remaining materials from spill with suitable absorbent.
 Local or national regulations may apply to releases and

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disposal of this material, as well as those materials and items employed in the cleanup of releases. You will need to determine which regulations are applicable. Sections 13 and 15 of this SDS provide information regarding certain local or national requirements.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Technical measures : See Engineering measures under EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION section.
- Local/Total ventilation : Use with local exhaust ventilation.
- Advice on safe handling : Do not get on skin or clothing.
 Do not breathe vapors or spray mist.
 Do not swallow.
 Avoid contact with eyes.
 Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice, based on the results of the workplace exposure assessment
 Keep container tightly closed.
 Take care to prevent spills, waste and minimize release to the environment.
- Conditions for safe storage : Keep in properly labeled containers.
 Store locked up.
 Keep tightly closed.
 Store in accordance with the particular national regulations.
- Materials to avoid : Do not store with the following product types:
 Strong oxidizing agents
 Organic peroxides
 Explosives
 Gases

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Ingredients	CAS-No.	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis
Betamethasone	378-44-9	TWA	1 µg/m ³ (OEB 4)	Merck
Further information: Skin				
		Wipe limit	10 µg/100 cm ²	Merck

- Engineering measures** : All engineering controls should be implemented by facility design and operated in accordance with GMP principles to protect products, workers, and the environment. Essentially no open handling permitted. Use closed processing systems or containment technologies. If handled in a laboratory, use a properly designed biosafety cabinet, fume hood, or other containment device if the

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potential exists for aerosolization. If this potential does not exist, handle over lined trays or benchtops.

Personal protective equipment

- Respiratory protection : General and local exhaust ventilation is recommended to maintain vapor exposures below recommended limits. Where concentrations are above recommended limits or are unknown, appropriate respiratory protection should be worn. Follow OSHA respirator regulations (29 CFR 1910.134) and use NIOSH/MSHA approved respirators. Protection provided by air purifying respirators against exposure to any hazardous chemical is limited. Use a positive pressure air supplied respirator if there is any potential for uncontrolled release, exposure levels are unknown, or any other circumstance where air purifying respirators may not provide adequate protection.
- Hand protection
- Material : Chemical-resistant gloves
- Remarks : Consider double gloving.
- Eye protection : Wear safety glasses with side shields or goggles. If the work environment or activity involves dusty conditions, mists or aerosols, wear the appropriate goggles. Wear a faceshield or other full face protection if there is a potential for direct contact to the face with dusts, mists, or aerosols.
- Skin and body protection : Work uniform or laboratory coat. Additional body garments should be used based upon the task being performed (e.g., sleevelets, apron, gauntlets, disposable suits) to avoid exposed skin surfaces. Use appropriate degowning techniques to remove potentially contaminated clothing.
- Hygiene measures : Ensure that eye flushing systems and safety showers are located close to the working place. When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use. The effective operation of a facility should include review of engineering controls, proper personal protective equipment, appropriate degowning and decontamination procedures, industrial hygiene monitoring, medical surveillance and the use of administrative controls.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- Appearance : liquid
- Color : colorless

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Odor	:	No information available.
Odor Threshold	:	No data available
pH	:	6.8 - 7.2
Melting point/freezing point	:	No data available
Initial boiling point and boiling range	:	No data available
Flash point	:	No data available
Evaporation rate	:	No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	:	Not applicable
Flammability (liquids)	:	No data available
Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit	:	No data available
Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit	:	No data available
Vapor pressure	:	No data available
Relative vapor density	:	No data available
Relative density	:	No data available
Density	:	No data available
Solubility(ies) Water solubility	:	No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	:	Not applicable
Autoignition temperature	:	No data available
Decomposition temperature	:	No data available
Viscosity Viscosity, kinematic	:	No data available
Explosive properties	:	Not explosive
Oxidizing properties	:	The substance or mixture is not classified as oxidizing.
Particle size	:	Not applicable

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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Reactivity : Not classified as a reactivity hazard.

Chemical stability : Stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions : Can react with strong oxidizing agents.

Conditions to avoid : None known.

Incompatible materials : Oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products : No hazardous decomposition products are known.

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**Information on likely routes of exposure**

Inhalation
Skin contact
Ingestion
Eye contact

Acute toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

Product:

Acute inhalation toxicity : Acute toxicity estimate: 57.97 mg/l
Exposure time: 4 h
Test atmosphere: dust/mist
Method: Calculation method

Ingredients:**Betamethasone:**

Acute oral toxicity : LD50 (Rat): > 5,000 mg/kg
LD50 (Mouse): > 4,500 mg/kg

Acute inhalation toxicity : LC50 (Rat): 0.4 mg/l
Exposure time: 4 h

Skin corrosion/irritation

Not classified based on available information.

Ingredients:**Betamethasone:**

Species: Rabbit
Result: Mild skin irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Not classified based on available information.

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Ingredients:

Betamethasone:

Species: Rabbit
 Result: No eye irritation

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Skin sensitization

Not classified based on available information.

Respiratory sensitization

Not classified based on available information.

Ingredients:

Betamethasone:

Routes of exposure: Dermal
 Species: Guinea pig
 Result: Weak sensitizer

Germ cell mutagenicity

Not classified based on available information.

Ingredients:

Betamethasone:

Genotoxicity in vitro	:	Test Type: Bacterial reverse mutation assay (AMES) Result: negative
		Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test Result: negative
		Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro Result: positive
Genotoxicity in vivo	:	Test Type: Mammalian erythrocyte micronucleus test (in vivo cytogenetic assay) Species: Mouse Application Route: Oral Result: equivocal
Germ cell mutagenicity - Assessment	:	Weight of evidence does not support classification as a germ cell mutagen.

Carcinogenicity

Not classified based on available information.

IARC

No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

OSHA

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

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NTP

No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

Reproductive toxicity

May damage the unborn child.

Ingredients:

Betamethasone:

Effects on fetal development : Species: Rabbit
 Application Route: Intramuscular
 Developmental Toxicity: LOAEL: 0.05 mg/kg body weight
 Result: Fetotoxicity., Malformations were observed.

Species: Rat
 Application Route: Subcutaneous
 Developmental Toxicity: LOAEL: 0.42 mg/kg body weight
 Result: Malformations were observed.

Species: Mouse
 Application Route: Intramuscular
 Developmental Toxicity: LOAEL: 1 mg/kg body weight
 Result: Malformations were observed.

Reproductive toxicity - Assessment : Clear evidence of adverse effects on development, based on animal experiments.

STOT-single exposure

Not classified based on available information.

STOT-repeated exposure

Causes damage to organs (Pituitary gland, Immune system, muscle, thymus, Blood, Adrenal gland) through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Ingredients:

Betamethasone:

Target Organs: Pituitary gland, Immune system, muscle, thymus, Blood, Adrenal gland
 Assessment: Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Repeated dose toxicity

Ingredients:

Betamethasone:

Species: Rabbit
 LOAEL: 0.05 %
 Application Route: Skin contact
 Exposure time: 10 - 30 d
 Target Organs: Pituitary gland, Immune system, muscle

Species: Rat
 LOAEL: 0.05 %

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Application Route: Skin contact
 Exposure time: 8 Weeks
 Target Organs: thymus

Species: Mouse
 LOAEL: 0.1 %
 Application Route: Skin contact
 Exposure time: 8 Weeks
 Target Organs: thymus

Species: Dog
 LOAEL: 0.05 mg/kg
 Application Route: Oral
 Exposure time: 28 d
 Target Organs: Blood, thymus, Adrenal gland

Aspiration toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

Experience with human exposure

Ingredients:

Betamethasone:

Inhalation : Target Organs: Adrenal gland
 Skin contact : Symptoms: Redness, pruritis, Irritation

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Ingredients:

Betamethasone:

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates : EC50 (Americamysis): > 50 mg/l
 Exposure time: 96 h

Toxicity to algae : EC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): > 34 mg/l
 Exposure time: 72 h
 Method: OECD Test Guideline 201
 Remarks: No toxicity at the limit of solubility.

NOEC (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): 34 mg/l
 Exposure time: 72 h
 Method: OECD Test Guideline 201
 Remarks: No toxicity at the limit of solubility.

Toxicity to fish (Chronic toxicity) : NOEC (Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)): 0.052 mg/l
 Exposure time: 32 d
 Method: OECD Test Guideline 210

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	NOEC (Oryzias latipes (Japanese medaka)): 0.07 µg/l
	Exposure time: 219 d
	Method: OECD Test Guideline 229
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity)	: NOEC (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 8 mg/l
	Exposure time: 21 d
	Method: OECD Test Guideline 211
M-Factor (Chronic aquatic toxicity)	: 1,000

Persistence and degradability

No data available

Bioaccumulative potential

Ingredients:

Betamethasone:

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	: log Pow: 2.11
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Mobility in soil

No data available

Other adverse effects

No data available

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal methods

Waste from residues	: Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.
Contaminated packaging	: Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal. If not otherwise specified: Dispose of as unused product.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

International Regulations

UNRTDG

UN number	: UN 3082
Proper shipping name	: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S. (betamethasone)

Class	: 9
Packing group	: III
Labels	: 9

IATA-DGR

UN/ID No.	: UN 3082
Proper shipping name	: Environmentally hazardous substance, liquid, n.o.s.

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(Betamethasone)
 Class : 9
 Packing group : III
 Labels : Miscellaneous
 Packing instruction (cargo aircraft) : 964
 Packing instruction (passenger aircraft) : 964
 Environmentally hazardous : yes

IMDG-Code

UN number : UN 3082
 Proper shipping name : ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S.

(Betamethasone)
 Class : 9
 Packing group : III
 Labels : 9
 EmS Code : F-A, S-F
 Marine pollutant : yes

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable for product as supplied.

Domestic regulation

49 CFR

UN/ID/NA number : UN 3082
 Proper shipping name : Environmentally hazardous substance, liquid, n.o.s. (Betamethasone)

Class : 9
 Packing group : III
 Labels : CLASS 9
 ERG Code : 171
 Marine pollutant : yes(Betamethasone)
 Remarks : Above applies only to containers over 119 gallons or 450 liters., Shipment by ground under DOT is non-regulated; however it may be shipped per the applicable hazard classification to facilitate multi-modal transport involving ICAO (IATA) or IMO.

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

EPCRA - Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know

CERCLA Reportable Quantity

Ingredients	CAS-No.	Component RQ (lbs)	Calculated product RQ (lbs)
Disodium hydrogenorthophosphate	7558-79-4	5000	*

*: Calculated RQ exceeds reasonably attainable upper limit.

SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

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SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances Threshold Planning Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

SARA 311/312 Hazards : Reproductive toxicity
 Specific target organ toxicity (single or repeated exposure)

SARA 313 : This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

US State Regulations

Pennsylvania Right To Know

Water 7732-18-5
 Disodium hydrogenorthophosphate 7558-79-4

California Prop. 65

This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

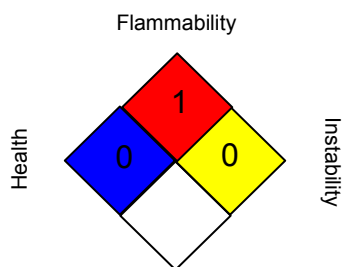
The ingredients of this product are reported in the following inventories:

AICS : not determined
 DSL : not determined
 IECSC : not determined

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Further information

NFPA:



HMIS® IV:

HEALTH	*	3
FLAMMABILITY		1
PHYSICAL HAZARD		0

HMIS® ratings are based on a 0-4 rating scale, with 0 representing minimal hazards or risks, and 4 representing significant hazards or risks. The "*" represents a chronic hazard, while the "/" represents the absence of a chronic hazard.

Full text of other abbreviations

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation,

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and Liability Act; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DOT - Department of Transportation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; EHS - Extremely Hazardous Substance; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; HMIS - Hazardous Materials Identification System; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; MSHA - Mine Safety and Health Administration; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NFPA - National Fire Protection Association; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RQ - Reportable Quantity; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

Sources of key data used to compile the Material Safety Data Sheet : Internal technical data, data from raw material SDSs, OECD eChem Portal search results and European Chemicals Agency, <http://echa.europa.eu/>

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