

## 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** Formic Acid, free acid
- **Article number:** 151162
- **CAS Number:**  
64-18-6
- **EC number:**  
200-579-1
- **Index number:**  
607-001-00-0
- **Molecular Formula** C H2 O2
- **Molecular Weight** 46.03 g/mol
- **Application of the substance / the mixture** For Research Use Only
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
MP Biomedicals, LLC  
29525 Fountain Parkway  
Solon, OH 44139  
United States  
www.mpbio.com
- 
- Rapid Diagnostics, Division of MP Biomedicals  
1429 Rollins Road  
Burlingame, CA 94010
- **Information department:** Quality Control Department
- **Emergency telephone number:** CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 (1-703-527-3887)

## 2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**



GHS02 Flame

Flam. Liq. 3 H226 Flammable liquid and vapor.



GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 3 H331 Toxic if inhaled.



GHS05 Corrosion

Skin Corr. 1A H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.



GHS07

Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.

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· **Label elements**

· **GHS label elements** The substance is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

· **Hazard pictograms**



GHS02    GHS05    GHS06

· **Signal word** *Danger*

· **Hazard-determining components of labeling:**

*Formic acid*

· **Hazard statements**

*Flammable liquid and vapor.*

*Harmful if swallowed.*

*Toxic if inhaled.*

*Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.*

· **Precautionary statements**

*Wear protective gloves / eye protection / face protection.*

*Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.*

*Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.*

*Do not breathe dusts or mists.*

*Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.*

*Use only non-sparking tools.*

*Take precautionary measures against static discharge.*

*Wash thoroughly after handling.*

*Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.*

*Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.*

*If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.*

*If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.*

*Continue rinsing.*

*Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.*

*Specific treatment (see on this label).*

*IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.*

*IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.*

*Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.*

*If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.*

*In case of fire: Use for extinction: CO<sub>2</sub>, powder or water spray.*

*Store locked up.*

*Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.*

*Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.*

*Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.*

· **Classification system:**

· **NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



Health = 3

Fire = 2

Reactivity = 1

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· **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**

HEALTH	3	Health = 3
FIRE	2	Fire = 2
REACTIVITY	1	Reactivity = 1

- **Other hazards**
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

### 3 Composition/information on ingredients

- **Chemical characterization: Substances**
- **CAS No. Description**  
64-18-6 Formic acid
- **Identification number(s)**
- **EC number:** 200-579-1
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### 4 First-aid measures

- **Description of first aid measures**
- **General information:**  
Consult your Doctor. Show the safety data sheet to the Doctor. Away from the dangerous area. Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing have been completely removed. In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.
- **After inhalation:**  
Supply fresh air or oxygen; call for doctor.  
If breathed in, supply fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a Doctor.
- **After skin contact:** Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a Doctor.
- **After eye contact:** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing:**  
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. If symptoms persist consult a Doctor.  
Drink copious amounts of water and provide fresh air. Immediately call a doctor.
- **Information for doctor:**
- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.
- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**  
No further relevant information available.

### 5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:**  
CO<sub>2</sub>, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**  
During heating or in case of fire poisonous gases are produced.
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Mouth respiratory protective device.

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## 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Mount respiratory protective device.  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
- **Environmental precautions:**  
Dilute with plenty of water.  
Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).  
Use neutralizing agent.  
Pick up mechanically, dispose contaminated material as waste according to Section 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **Reference to other sections**  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.  
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.

## 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**  
Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace. Avoid direct contact with skin and eyes.  
Open and handle receptacle with care.  
Prevent formation of aerosols.
- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:**  
Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.  
Protect against electrostatic charges.  
Keep respiratory protective device available.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:** 15-30 °C
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Further information about storage conditions:** Desiccate.
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

## 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see Section 7.
- **Control parameters**

- **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

### 64-18-6 Formic acid

PEL	Long-term value: 9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 5 ppm
REL	Long-term value: 9 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 5 ppm
TLV	Short-term value: 19 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 10 ppm Long-term value: 9.4 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 5 ppm

- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.

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- **Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment:**
- **General protective and hygienic measures:**  
 Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
 Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.  
 Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
 Store protective clothing separately.  
 Avoid contact with the eyes.  
 Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.
- **Breathing equipment:**  
 In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.
- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.  
 Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.

Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

- **Material of gloves**  
 The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.
- **Penetration time of glove material**  
 The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.
- **Eye protection:**



Tightly sealed goggles

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

### · Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### · General Information

#### · Appearance:

<b>Form:</b>	Liquid
<b>Color:</b>	Colorless
<b>Odor:</b>	Indeterminate
<b>Odor threshold:</b>	Not determined.

· **pH-value at 20 °C (68 °F):** 2.2

#### · Change in condition

**Boiling point/Boiling range:** Undetermined.

· **Flash point:** 49 °C (120 °F)

· **Flammability (solid, gaseous):** Not applicable.

· **Ignition temperature:** 480 °C (896 °F)

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· <b>Decomposition temperature:</b>	<i>Not determined.</i>
· <b>Auto igniting:</b>	<i>Not determined.</i>
· <b>Danger of explosion:</b>	<i>Product is not explosive. However, formation of explosive air/vapor mixtures are possible.</i>
· <b>Explosion limits:</b>	
<b>Lower:</b>	<i>14 Vol %</i>
<b>Upper:</b>	<i>33 Vol %</i>
· <b>Vapor pressure:</b>	<i>Not Applicable</i>
· <b>Density:</b>	<i>Not Applicable</i>
· <b>Relative density</b>	<i>Not determined.</i>
· <b>Vapor density</b>	<i>Not determined.</i>
· <b>Evaporation rate</b>	<i>Not determined.</i>
· <b>Solubility in / Miscibility with</b>	<i>Not Determined</i>
· <b>Water:</b>	<i>Soluble.</i>
· <b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b>	<i>Not determined.</i>
· <b>Viscosity:</b>	
<b>Dynamic:</b>	<i>Not determined.</i>
<b>Kinematic:</b>	<i>Not determined.</i>
· <b>Solvent content:</b>	
<b>Organic solvents:</b>	<i>0.0 %</i>
<b>VOC content:</b>	<i>0.0 g/l / 0.00 lb/gl</i>
· <b>Other information</b>	<i>No further relevant information available.</i>

## 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** *No further relevant information available.*
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** *No decomposition if used according to specifications.*
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** *No dangerous reactions known.*
- **Conditions to avoid** *No further relevant information available.*
- **Incompatible materials:** *No further relevant information available.*
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** *No dangerous decomposition products known.*

## 11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**

· <b>LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:</b>		
<b>64-18-6 Formic acid</b>		
<i>Oral</i>	<i>LD50</i>	<i>730 mg/kg (rat)</i>
<i>Inhalative</i>	<i>LC50/4 h</i>	<i>7.4 mg/L (rat)</i>

- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** *Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.*
- **on the eye:**  
*Strong caustic effect.*

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- *Strong irritant with the danger of severe eye injury.*
- **Sensitization:** *No sensitizing effects known.*
- **Additional toxicological information:**  
*Swallowing will lead to a strong caustic effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.*

- **Carcinogenic categories**

- **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**

*Substance is not listed.*

- **NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

*Substance is not listed.*

- **OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)**

*Substance is not listed.*

## 12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** *No further relevant information available.*
- **Persistence and degradability** *No further relevant information available.*
- **Behavior in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential** *No further relevant information available.*
- **Mobility in soil** *No further relevant information available.*
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**  
*Water hazard class 1 (Assessment by list): slightly hazardous for water  
Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.  
Must not reach bodies of water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralized.*
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** *Not applicable.*
- **vPvB:** *Not applicable.*
- **Other adverse effects** *No further relevant information available.*

## 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation:**  
*Can not be disposed together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.*
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:** *Discard must be made according to official regulations.*
- **Recommended cleansing agent:** *Water, if necessary with cleaning agents.*

## 14 Transport information

- |                                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| · <b>UN-Number</b>               |                  |
| · <b>DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>    | UN1779           |
| · <b>UN proper shipping name</b> |                  |
| · <b>DOT</b>                     | Formic acid      |
| · <b>ADR</b>                     | 1779 Formic acid |

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· **IMDG, IATA** **FORMIC ACID**

· **Transport hazard class(es)**

· **DOT**



· **Class** 8 Corrosive substances  
 · **Label** 8, 3

· **ADR**



· **Class** 8 Corrosive substances  
 · **Label** 8+3

· **IMDG**



· **Class** 8 Corrosive substances  
 · **Label** 8/3

· **IATA**



· **Class** 8 Corrosive substances  
 · **Label** 8 (3)

· **Packing group**

· **DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA** II

· **Environmental hazards:** Not applicable.

· **Special precautions for user** Warning: Corrosive substances

· **Danger code (Kemler):** 80

· **EMS Number:** F-E,S-C

· **Segregation groups** Acids

· **Stowage Category** A

· **Stowage Code** SW2 Clear of living quarters.

· **Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable.

· **Transport/Additional information:**

· **DOT**

· **Quantity limitations** On passenger aircraft/rail: 1 L  
On cargo aircraft only: 30 L

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· <b>Hazardous substance:</b>	3838 lbs, 28982 kg
· <b>ADR</b>	
· <b>Excepted quantities (EQ)</b>	Code: E2 Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 ml Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 ml
· <b>IMDG</b>	
· <b>Limited quantities (LQ)</b>	1L
· <b>Excepted quantities (EQ)</b>	Code: E2 Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 ml Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 ml
· <b>UN "Model Regulation":</b>	UN 1779 FORMIC ACID, 8 (3), II

## 15 Regulatory information

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

· **Sara**

· **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):**

Substance is not listed.

· **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

Substance is listed.

· **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):**

Substance is listed.

· **Proposition 65**

· **Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Carcinogenic categories**

· **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

Substance is not listed.

· **TLV (Threshold Limit Value established by ACGIH)**

Substance is not listed.

· **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

Substance is not listed.

· **GHS label elements** The substance is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

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· **Hazard pictograms**



GHS02    GHS05    GHS06

· **Signal word** *Danger*

· **Hazard-determining components of labeling:**

*Formic acid*

· **Hazard statements**

*Flammable liquid and vapor.*

*Harmful if swallowed.*

*Toxic if inhaled.*

*Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.*

· **Precautionary statements**

*Wear protective gloves / eye protection / face protection.*

*Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.*

*Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.*

*Do not breathe dusts or mists.*

*Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.*

*Use only non-sparking tools.*

*Take precautionary measures against static discharge.*

*Wash thoroughly after handling.*

*Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.*

*Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.*

*If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.*

*If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.*

*Continue rinsing.*

*Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.*

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*In case of fire: Use for extinction: CO<sub>2</sub>, powder or water spray.*

*Store locked up.*

*Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.*

*Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.*

*Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.*

· **Chemical safety assessment:** *A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.*

## 16 Other information

*This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.*

· **Department issuing SDS:** *Quality Control Dept.*

· **Date of preparation / last revision** *01/17/2017 / -*

· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

*ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)*

*IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods*

*DOT: US Department of Transportation*

*IATA: International Air Transport Association*

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ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)  
NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)  
HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)  
VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds (USA, EU)  
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent  
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent  
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic  
vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative  
NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety  
OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health  
TLV: Threshold Limit Value  
PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit  
REL: Recommended Exposure Limit  
Flam. Liq. 3: Flammable liquids – Category 3  
Acute Tox. 4: Acute toxicity – Category 4  
Acute Tox. 3: Acute toxicity – Category 3  
Skin Corr. 1A: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1A  
Eye Dam. 1: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 1

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