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1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Description: ETHYL FORMATE
CAS # 109-94-4
FEMA Number 2434
Other means of identification
Vigon Item # 500138
Recommended use Concentrated aromatic and flavor ingredient which may be used in flavor and fragrance compounds according to legal and IFRA or FEMA GRAS/FDA guidelines.
Recommended restrictions For Manufacturing Use Only

Company

Vigon International, Inc.
127 Airport Road
E. Stroudsburg, PA 18301
For information call: 570-476-6300
Web Site: www.vigon.com

24 Hour Emergency Response Information

INFOTRAC (ACCT# 78928);
1-800-535-5053 WITHIN THE U.S.A.
1-352-323-3500 OUTSIDE THE U.S.A.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Manufacturer

Company name	Vigon International, Inc.	
Address	127 Airport Road E. Stroudsburg, PA 18301 United States	
Telephone	For information call:	570-476-6300
Website	www.vigon.com	
E-mail	Not available.	
Emergency phone number	INFOTRAC	(ACCT# 78928);
	1-800-535-5053	WITHIN THE U.S.A.
	1-352-323-3500	OUTSIDE THE U.S.A.

2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

Physical hazards	Flammable liquids	Category 2
Health hazards	Acute toxicity, oral	Category 4
	Acute toxicity, inhalation	Category 4
	Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2A
	Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure	Category 3 respiratory tract irritation
	Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure	Category 3 narcotic effects
Environmental hazards	Not classified.	

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Label elements**Signal word**

Danger

Hazard statement

Highly flammable liquid and vapor. Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled. Causes serious eye irritation. May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement**Prevention**

Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Ground and bond container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. Use non-sparking tools. Take action to prevent static discharges. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

Response

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention. In case of fire: Use appropriate media to extinguish.

Storage

Keep cool. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up.

Disposal

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

Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None known.

Supplemental information

100% of the substance consists of component(s) of unknown acute hazards to the aquatic environment. 100% of the substance consists of component(s) of unknown long-term hazards to the aquatic environment.

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

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
ETHYL FORMATE	carboxylic acid oxaethane Ethyl methanoate	109-94-4	100

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**Inhalation**

If breathing is difficult, remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. For breathing difficulties, oxygen may be necessary. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.

Skin contact

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists. Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water for several minutes.

Eye contact

Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists. Promptly wash eyes with plenty of water while lifting the eye lids.



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Ingestion	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. If swallowed, rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious). Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, the head should be kept low so that stomach vomit doesn't enter the lungs.
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed	Severe eye irritation. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. May cause respiratory irritation.
Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed	Not available.
General information	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	Water spray, fog, CO2, dry chemical, or alcohol resistant foam.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases.
Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in enclosed spaces, SCBA. Structural firefighters protective clothing will only provide limited protection. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece operated in the positive pressure demand mode when fighting fires.
Fire fighting equipment/instructions	In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials. Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Keep run-off water out of sewers and water sources. Dike for water control.
Specific methods	Use water spray to cool unopened containers.
General fire hazards	Static charges generated by emptying package in or near flammable vapor may cause flash fire.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	Eliminate all sources of ignition. Avoid contact with skin or inhalation of spillage, dust or vapor. Keep unnecessary personnel away. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them.
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Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Collect and dispose of spillage as indicated in section 13 of the SDS.

Absorb with inert absorbent such as dry clay, sand or diatomaceous earth, commercial sorbents, or recover using pumps.

The product is immiscible with water and will spread on the water surface.

Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible.

Never return spills in original containers for re-use. This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Eliminate all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks or flames in immediate area). Prevent product from entering drains.

Large Spills: Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible. Cover with plastic sheet to prevent spreading. Absorb in vermiculite, dry sand or earth and place into containers.

Small Spills: Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Environmental precautions

Retain and dispose of contaminated wash water. Avoid release to the environment. Contact local authorities in case of spillage to drain/aquatic environment. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not contaminate water.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Do not handle or store near an open flame, heat or other sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded. Avoid breathing vapor. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged exposure. Wash thoroughly after handling.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container closed. Handle containers with care. Open slowly in order to control possible pressure release. Store in a cool, well-ventilated area.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Occupational exposure limits

US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Material	Type	Value
ETHYL FORMATE (CAS 109-94-4)	PEL	300 mg/m3
		100 ppm

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values

Material	Type	Value
ETHYL FORMATE (CAS 109-94-4)	STEL	100 ppm

US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

Material	Type	Value
ETHYL FORMATE (CAS 109-94-4)	TWA	300 mg/m3



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Material

Type

Value

100 ppm

Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

Appropriate engineering controls

Use explosion-proof ventilation equipment to stay below exposure limits. Good general ventilation should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Adequate ventilation should be provided so that exposure limits are not exceeded.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Avoid contact with eyes.

Skin protection

Hand protection

Chemical resistant gloves.

Other

Not available.

Respiratory protection

Chemical respirator with organic vapor cartridge and full facepiece.

Thermal hazards

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

General hygiene considerations

When using do not smoke. Keep away from food and drink. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance

Refer to Spec Sheet

Physical state

Liquid.

Form

Liquid.

Color

Refer to Spec Sheet

Odor

Characteristic.

Odor threshold

Not available.

pH

Not available.

Melting point/freezing point

-112.9 °F (-80.5 °C)

Initial boiling point and boiling range

130.1 °F (54.5 °C) 101.325 kPa

Flash point

-4.0 °F (-20.0 °C) Closed Cup

Evaporation rate

Not available.

Flammability (solid, gas)

Not applicable.

Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - lower (%)

Not available.

Flammability limit - upper (%)

Not available.

Explosive limit - lower (%)

Not available.

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Explosive limit - upper (%)	Not available.
Vapor pressure	200 mm Hg at 20 °C
Vapor density	2.56
Relative density	Not available.
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	Insoluble
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	851 °F (455 °C)
Decomposition temperature	Not available.
Viscosity	Not available.
Other information	
Density	0.92 g/cm3 estimated at 20 °C
Explosive properties	Not explosive.
Flammability class	Flammable IB estimated
Molecular formula	C3-H6-O2
Molecular weight	74.09 g/mol
Oxidizing properties	Not oxidizing.
Specific gravity	0.92 at 25 °C
Surface tension	24 mN/m (68 °F (20 °C))

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
Chemical stability	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Conditions to avoid	Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. Avoid temperatures exceeding the flash point. Contact with incompatible materials.
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidizing agents. Nitrates.
Hazardous decomposition products	No hazardous decomposition products if stored and handled as indicated.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	Harmful if inhaled.
Skin contact	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.
Eye contact	Causes serious eye irritation.
Ingestion	Harmful if swallowed.
Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics	Severe eye irritation. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision. May cause respiratory irritation.

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Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity In high concentrations, vapors are anesthetic and may cause headache, fatigue, dizziness and central nervous system effects. Harmful if inhaled. Harmful if swallowed.

Product	Species	Test Results
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Acute

Inhalation

LC50	Rat	11 mg/l, 4 hours
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Oral

LD50	Rat	1850 mg/kg Remarks: Behavioral: Somnolence (general depressed activity). Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration: Dyspnea.
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Presumed Non-Toxic

Dermal

LD50	Rabbit	99999 mg/kg
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Skin corrosion/irritation Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
Skin - rabbit - Mild skin irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation Causes serious eye irritation.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Respiratory sensitization Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

Skin sensitization Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

Germ cell mutagenicity Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

Carcinogenicity Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.
Carcinogenicity - mouse - Skin
Tumorigenic: Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria. Skin and Appendages: Other: Tumors.

IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity

Not listed.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed.

US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

Not listed.

Reproductive toxicity Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure May cause respiratory irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

Aspiration hazard Due to partial or complete lack of data the classification is not possible.

Chronic effects Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity	The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.
Persistence and degradability	No data is available on the degradability of this substance.
Bioaccumulative potential	No data available.
Mobility in soil	No data available.
Other adverse effects	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal instructions	Do not discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground. Do not allow this material to drain into sewers/water supplies. Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used container. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
Local disposal regulations	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.
Hazardous waste code	Not established.
Waste from residues / unused products	Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).
Contaminated packaging	Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

ADN

UN number	1190
UN proper shipping name	ETHYL FORMATE
Transport hazard class(es)	3
Subsidiary class(es)	-
Packing group	II
Environmental hazards	No
Labels required	3

ADR

UN number	1190
UN proper shipping name	ETHYL FORMATE
Transport hazard class(es)	3
Subsidiary class(es)	-
Packing group	II
Environmental hazards	No
Labels required	3

RID

UN number	1190
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Transport hazard class(es)	3
Subsidiary class(es)	-
Packing Group	II

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Environmental Hazards	No
Labels required	3
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS and emergency procedures before handling.

DOT

BULK

UN number	1190
Proper shipping name	ETHYL FORMATE
Hazard class	3
Packing group	II
Environmental hazards	
Marine pollutant	No
Packaging exceptions	150
Packaging bulk	242
Reportable quantity	100
Labels required	3

DOT

NON-BULK

UN number	1190
Proper shipping name	ETHYL FORMATE
Hazard class	3
Packing group	II
Environmental hazards	
Marine pollutant	No
Packaging exceptions	150
Packaging non bulk	202
Reportable quantity	100
Labels required	3

IATA

UN number	1190
UN proper shipping name	ETHYL FORMATE
Transport hazard class(es)	3
Subsidiary class(es)	-
Packing group	II
Environmental hazards	No
Labels required	3

IMDG

UN number	1190
UN proper shipping name	ETHYL FORMATE
Transport hazard class(es)	3
Subsidiary class(es)	-
Packing group	II
Environmental hazards	
Marine pollutant	No
Labels required	3

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

Not applicable.

ADN; ADR; DOT BULK; DOT NON-BULK; IATA; IMDG; RID



15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

US federal regulations

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

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Listed.

SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Not regulated.

OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)

Not listed.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

Not listed.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical

Yes

Classified hazard categories

Flammable (gases, aerosols, liquids, or solids)
Acute toxicity (any route of exposure)
Serious eye damage or eye irritation
Specific target organ toxicity (single or repeated exposure)
Hazard not otherwise classified (HNOC)

SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

Not regulated.

Other federal regulations

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.



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Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)

Not regulated.

FEMA Priority Substances Respiratory Health and Safety in the Flavor Manufacturing Workplace

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Low priority

Food and Drug

Administration (FDA)

Total food additive

Direct food additive

GRAS food additive

16. OTHER INFORMATION, INCLUDING DATE OF PREPARATION OR LAST REVISION

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HMIS® ratings

Health: 2*

Flammability: 3

Physical hazard: 0

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Revision information

This document has undergone significant changes and should be reviewed in its entirety.