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## PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

TRADE NAME NCS MONOMER

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## 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Classified as Hazardous according to the New Zealand Hazardous Substances Regulations. Classified as Dangerous Goods for transport according to New Zealand Standard.

**DG Classification:** Class 3

**UN Number:** 1866, Resin Solution, Flammable

EPA New Zealand Approval Code: HSR001221







## **HSNO Classification:**

6.1E Acute Toxicity, Oral/Dermal 6.1D Acute Toxicity, Inhalation

6.3A Substance that is corrosive or irritating to the skin Substance that is corrosive or irritating to the eye

6.6B Suspected human mutagen6.7B Suspected human carcinogen

6.9B May cause damage to target organs through prolonged/repeated exposure

9.1C Aquatic ecotoxicity, Fish

## **Hazard Statements:**

H226 Flammable liquid and vapour.

H304 May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.

H315 Causes skin irritation.

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

H332 Harmful if inhaled.

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.H341 Suspected of causing genetic defects.







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H351 Suspected of causing cancer.

H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.

H370 Causes damage to organs (Central Nervous System).

H372 Causes damage to organs (Blood system, Liver, Nervous System, Respiratory Tract/Organ) through

prolonged or repeated exposure.

H401 Toxic to aquatic life.

## **Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

P210 Keep away from heat/spark/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.

P233 Keep container tightly closed.

P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment.

P242 Use only non-sparking tools.

P243 Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapour/spray.

P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

## **Precautionary Statements - Response**

P301 + P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy

to do. Continue rinsing.

P308 + P311 IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

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

P321 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).

P331 Do NOT induce vomiting.

P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
P362 + P364 Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.

## **Precautionary Statements – Storage**

P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P403 + P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

P405 Store locked up.

## **Precautionary Statements - Disposal**

P501 Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.
P505 Dispose of in accordance with local bylaws and national waste regulations.







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## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms: Inhibited Styrene

Phenylethylene Benzene, Ethenyl

Styrol Cinnamene Vinylbenzene Styrolene

Styrene Monomer

Molecular formula: C8H8

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Styrene	100-42-5	100

Chemical Name: Styrene

Chemical Family: Aromatic Hydrocarbon

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### Eyes

Immediately flood the eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, holding the eye open. Obtain medical attention urgently.

## Skin

Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water. Obtain medical attention if blistering occurs or redness persists.

## Ingestion

Wash mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting. If any material enters the lungs, for example during swallowing or vomiting, obtain medical attention urgently.

## Inhalation

Remove from exposure. Keep warm and at rest. If there is difficulty in breathing, give oxygen. If breathing stops or gives signs of failing, give artificial respiration. If heart beat absent, give external cardiac compression (CPR). Obtain medical attention.

## Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin. Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

## Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Notes to Physician: Treat symptomatically. Keep under medical surveillance for 48 hours if aspiration could have occurred.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

## **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Carbon dioxide (CO2), Foam, Dry Chemical, Water Spray.







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#### **Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**

Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.

#### Specific hazards arising from the chemical

## **Hazardous combustion products**

Combustion may produce carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and irritating or toxic vapours and gases

## **Combustion/Explosion Hazards**

Flammable. Vapours may form explosive mixture with air. Flash back possible over considerable distance. This material may polymerize (react) when its container is exposed to heat (as during a fire). This polymerization increases pressure inside a closed container and may result in the violent rupture of the container. Empty containers may retain product residue (liquid and/or vapor). Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind or expose these containers to heat, flame, sparks, static electricity, or other sources of ignition as the container may explode and may cause injury or death.

## **Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-Fighters**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and full fire-fighting protective clothing. Thoroughly decontaminate all protective equipment after use. Evacuate all person from the fire area to a safe location. Move non-burning material, as feasible, to a safe location as soon as possible. Fire fighters should be protected from potential explosion hazard while extinguishing the blaze. DO NOT extinguish a fire resulting from the flow of this flammable liquid until the flow of liquid is effectively shut off. This precaution will help prevent the accumulation of an explosive vapor-air mixture after the initial fire is extinguished. Use water spray to cool fire-exposed containers.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### **Personal Precautions**

Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

## **Other Information**

All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded.

## **Environmental Precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

## **Methods for Containment**

Prevent spilled material from contaminating soil, entering sanitary sewers, storm sewers, and drainage systems and entering bodies of water or ditches that lead to waterways. Prevent spreading over a wide area (e.g. by containment or oil barriers).

### **Methods for Clean-Up**

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Remove from surface water (e.g. by skimming or siphoning). Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to item 13.







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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### Handling

Do not breathe vapour or mist. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Ensure adequate ventilation. Ground and bond containers when transferring material. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Consult your supplier of promoters and catalysts for additional instructions on proper mixing and usage. Empty containers may retain product residue (liquid and/or vapour). Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose these containers to heat, flame, sparks, static electricity, or other sources of ignition as the container may explode and may cause injury or death. Empty drums should be completely drained and properly bunged. Empty drums should be promptly returned to a drum reconditioner or properly disposed. Do not use compressed air for filling, discharging or handling. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling product.

## Storage

Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. No smoking. Keep away from direct sunlight. Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. To ensure maximum stability and maintain optimum resin properties, resins should be stored in closed containers at temperatures below 77°F (25°C).

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

## **Occupational Exposure Guidelines:**

Components with workplace control parameters

Styrene (CAS #: 100-42-5)

Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993

Regulations for Hazardous Chemical Substances, 1995 Table 1&2

TWA OEL CL-RL 100ppm (styrene)

STEL OEL CL-RL 250ppm

#### Legend

TWA – Time-Weighted Average

STEL – Short Term Exposure Limit

OEL - Occupational Exposure Limit

CL – Control limit for Hazardous Chemical Substances

RL – Recommended limit for Hazardous Chemical Substances

## **Biological exposure index (BEI) for STYRENE**

Chemical Determinant	Sampling Time	BEI	Notation	
Mandelic acid in urine	End of shift	800mg/g creatinine Determinant is non-specific		
Mandelic acid in urine	Prior to next shift	300mg/g creatinine	Determinant is non-specific	
Phenylglyoxylic acid in urine	End of shift	240mg/g creatinine	Determinant is non-specific; determinant is usually present in a significant amount in biological specimens	
Phenylglyoxylic acid in urine	Prior to next shift	100mg/g creatinine	Determinant is non-specific; determinant is usually present in a significant amount in biological specimens	







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Styrene in venous blood	End of shift	0.55mg/l	Determinant is an indicator of exposure to the chemical but semi-quantitative (ambiguous interpretation)	
Styrene in venous blood	Prior to next shift	0.02mg/l	Determinant is an indicator of exposure to the chemical but semi-quantitative	
			(ambiguous interpretation)	

## **Appropriate engineering controls**

#### **Engineering Controls**

Use general ventilation to maintain airborne concentrations to levels that are below regulatory and recommended occupational exposure limits. Local ventilation may be required during certain operations. Use explosion-proof equipment.

## **Respiratory Protection**

If TWA OEL CL level above is exceeded, then suitable respiratory protection must be worn. Up to 500 ppm a chemical cartridge respirator with organic vapour cartridge(s). Above 500 ppm them full face supplied air respirator, or self-contained breathing apparatus should be used. Note that the IDL (immediately dangerous to life or health) concentration of styrene is 700 ppm.

#### **Hand Protection**

Impervious gloves. Evaluate the resistance of the product under conditions of use.

## **Eye Protection**

Wear approved safety glasses or chemical goggles or a face shield. Have an emergency eyewash station readily available in the working area.

## **Skin and Body Protection**

Impervious gloves, coveralls, boots, and/or other resistant protective clothing. Have a safety shower/eye wash fountain readily available in the immediate work area.

## **Personal Protection Comments**

Dust generated by grinding or polishing finished products is regarded as hazardous and precautions should be taken to ensure dust concentrations to be maintained below a TWA OEL value of 10mg/m<sup>3</sup>. Where dust concentrations exceed these values, appropriate dust masks should be worn.

#### **Other Protective Measures**

Remove contaminated clothing immediately. Keep contaminated clothing in closed containers. Discard or launder before rewearing. Inform laundry personnel of contaminated hazards.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State Liquid

Colour Clear colourless
Odour Pungent

PH Not applicable
Boiling Point/Range 145°C – 148°C

Freezing Point -30.6°C

Flash Point 31°C (closed cup)







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Flammability 1.1 - 6.1 % v/v

**Auto Ignition Temperature** 490°C

**Explosive Properties** LEL 1.1% UEL 6.1%

Oxidising Properties None

Vapour Pressure 0.60 kPa at 20°C

0.81 kPa at 25°C

**Density** 0.9 g cm<sup>-3</sup>

**Solubility** Practically insoluble 0.03%

Vapour Density (Air=1) 4.33

#### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

## Stability

Stable under normal storage conditions, below 25°C.

#### **Conditions to Avoid**

Heat, sparks, open flames, ignition sources.

#### **Materials to Avoid**

Oxidising agents. Mineral Acids. Alkalis. Phosphorous pentoxide. Peroxides. Ferrous chloride and other metal halides.

## **Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Heating to decomposition may cause the emission of thick irritating and acrid fumes, resulting in zero visibility. Styrene may form styrene oxide as decomposition product.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## Information on likely routes of exposure

**Primary Routes of Entry** Eye contact, Ingestion, Inhalation, Skin Contact, Skin absorption

## **Acute Toxicity**

Styrene

Oral LD50 = 5000 mg/kg (Rat)
Dermal LD50 > 2000 mg/kg (Rat)
Inhalation LC50 = 11.8 mg/l (4 H) (Rat)

## Information on toxicological effects

**Symptoms** Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting.

## Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

**Eyes** Irritating to eyes.

**Skin** Harmful by skin absorption. Contact causes skin irritation. Prolonged skin contact may defat the skin and

produce dermatitis.







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**Inhalation** Harmful by inhalation. May cause irritation of respiratory tract. Inhalation of high vapour concentrations

can cause CNS-depression and narcosis.

**Ingestion** Harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea.

Aspiration hazard if swallowed - can enter lungs and cause damage. Ingestion is not an anticipated route

of exposure for this material in industrial use.

**Sensitization** Not sensitizing.

Repeated dose toxicity In humans, styrene may cause a transient decrease in colour discrimination and effects on hearing.

Repeated or prolonged exposure may cause skin irritation and dermatitis, due to defatting properties of the product. May cause damage to the liver, eyes, brain, respiratory system, central nervous system through prolonged or repeated exposure if inhaled. May cause damage to the kidneys, liver, eyes, brain, respiratory

system, central nervous system through prolonged or repeated exposure if inhaled.

Mutagenic effects Styrene has given mixed positive and negative results in a number of mutagenicity tests. Styrene

was not mutagenic without metabolic activation but gave negative and positive mutagenic results with

metabolic activation.

Carcinogenicity

**Styrene** 

ACGIH Group A4 – Not classified as human carcinogen.
 IARC Group 2B – Possibly carcinogenic to humans.
 NTP Reasonably anticipated to be human carcinogen.

**Legend** IARC – International Agency for Research on Cancer

NTP - National Toxicology Program

**Reproductive Toxicity** No information available.

Neurological Effects No information available.

STOT – single exposure No information available.
STOT – repeated exposure No information available.

Target organ(s) Liver, Central Nervous System (CNS), Respiratory System, Kidney.

**Aspiration Hazard** No information available.

<u>Numerical measures of toxicity – Product Information</u>

The following values are calculated based on chapter 3.1 of the GHS document.

ATEmix (oral) 2923 mg/kg ATEmix (dermal) 1967 mg/kg ATEmix (inhalation-vapour) 11.4 mg/L







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## **STYRENE:**

Toxicity to fish

LC50: 4.02 mg/l Exposure time: 96 h

Species: Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)

Flow-through test Test substance: Yes

Toxic to fish

## Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates

EC50: 4.7mg/l Exposure time: 48 h

Species: Daphnia magna (Water flea)

Flow-through test

## **Toxicity to Algae**

EC50: 4.9 mg/l Exposure time: 72 h

Species: Selenastrum capricornutum (algae)

## Toxicity to bacteria

EC10: 0.28 mg/l Exposure time: 96 h

Growth rate

Species: Skeletonema costatum (Marine algae)

Test substance: Yes

## Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity)

NOEC: 1.01 mg/l Exposure time: 21 d

Species: Daphnia magna (Water flea)

Semi-static test Test substance: Yes

Method: OECD Test Guideline 211

## Elimination information (persistence and degradability)

**Bioaccumulation** Does not significantly accumulate in organisms.

**Biodegradability** According to the results of tests of biodegradability this product is considered as being readily

biodegradable.

## **Ecotoxicology Assessment**

Acute aquatic toxicity Toxic to aquatic life.

**Chronic aquatic toxicity**Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Toxicity data on soil No data available







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Other organisms relevant to the environment No data available.

Impact of sewage treatment

No data available.

**Results of PBT assessment** This substance is not considered to be very persistent nor very

bioaccumulating (vPvB). This substance is not considered to be

persistent, bioaccumulating nor toxic (PBT).

Additional ecological An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of

unprofessional handling or disposal. Toxic to aquatic life. Harmful to

aquatic life with long lasting effects.

#### 13. **DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

## **Waste treatment methods**

## **Disposal Considerations**

Hazardous waste. Can be incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations.

#### **Contaminated Packaging**

Empty containers should be taken for local recycling, recovery or waste disposal.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### NOT TO BE SENT BY MAIL

TARIFF No.			2902.5
UN No.			2055
Substance Identity No. S.I	.N. SAN	S 10232-3	2055
<b>Emergency Action Code E</b>	AC SAN	S 10232-3	27
SANS 10228:2006	S.I.N.		2055
SANS 10228:2006	<b>Technical Na</b>	me	Styrene
SANS 10228:2006	Class		3
SANS 10228:2006	Danger Grou	р	111
SANS 10228:2006	<b>Subsidiary Ri</b>	sks	Nil
SANS 10228:2006	Packaging M	ethods SABS 0229	13.3
			<u>.</u> .

Styrene monomer, inhibited IMDG – Shipping Name

IMDG - Code Page 3381 Class 3.3 **IMDG - Class IMDG - Packaging Group** 111 **IMDG - Marine Pollutant** Yes IMDG - EMS No. 3-07 IMDG - MFAG Table No. 310

IATA - Shipping Name Styrene monomer, inhibited

IATA - Class Class 3 IATA - Subsidiary Risk(s) None IATA - Packaging Group 111 309 IATA - Packaging Instruction - Passenger IATA - Packaging Instruction - Cargo 310 Tremcard No. TEC(R) 101







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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**ECC Hazard Classification** Flammable. Harmful. Irritant. [R10; Xn; Xi] (Styrene)

**Risk Phrases** Flammable. Harmful by inhalation. Irritating to eyes and skin.

[R: 10, 20, 36/38]

Safety Phrases Do not breathe vapour. [S: 23]

**National Legislation** South African Hazardous Substance Act 15 of 1973.

South African Occupational Health & Safety Act (85 of 1993).

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Reference:** NCS Resins South Africa MSDS on NCS MONOMER 15 August 2015

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