# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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#### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

## **Triethanolamine**

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#### SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Triethanolamine

Synonym: 2,2',2"-nitilo-triethanol, trihydroxytriethylamine

CAS#: 102-71-6

#### **SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Colorless, viscous, liquid; slight ammonia odor. Turns brown on exposure to air and light.

Body tissue irritant. Avoid all body tissue contact.

Combustible liquid.

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Health-0 Flammability-1

Reactivity-1 Exposure-1 Storage-1

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

#### **SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES**

Call a physician, seek medical attention for further treatment, observation and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye: Immediately flush with fresh water for 15 minutes.

External: Wash continuously with fresh water for 15 minutes.

Internal: Give large quantities of water. Call a physician or poison control at once.

### **SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Class IIIB combustible liquid.

NFPA CODE

Flash Point: 365 °F; Upper: 8.5%, Lower: 1.3%; Autoignition Temperature: 600 °F

H-2

When heated to decomposition, emits toxic fumes of NOx, and cyanides.

F-1

Fire Fighting Instructions: Use triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and

R-1

SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.

## SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from area. Remove all ignition sources and ventilate area. Contain spill with sand or other inert absorbent material; deposit in sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

#### **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #2. Store with alcohols, glycols, amines and amides.

Store in a cool, dry place. Keep container tightly closed. Material may freeze below 60 F.

Use and dispense in a hood.

#### **SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and chemical-resistant apron. Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire). Exposure guidelines: TWA 5 mg/m³ (ACGIH)

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**SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES** 

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Solubility: Chloroform, Miscible with water and alcohol.

Formula: N(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH)<sub>3</sub> Formula Weight: 149.22 Boiling Point: 190-193 @ 5 mm

Melting Point: 21.2 °C Specific Gravity: 1.126

Vapor Pressure: 0.01 mm (20 °C)

#### **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with strong oxidizers.

Shelf Life: Fair, turns brown on exposure to air and light. Slightly hydroscopic.

#### **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: Irritant Chronic effects: N.A. Target organs: N.A. ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: 8 g/kg IHL-RAT LC<sub>50</sub>: N.A. SKN-RBT LD<sub>56</sub>: >20 g/kg

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

## **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Data not yet available.

#### **SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Please consult with state and local regulations.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #18b is one option.

## **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping Name: Not regulated.

Hazard Class: N/A UN Number: N/A N/A = Not applicable

#### SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (203-049-8).

#### **SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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