Material Safety Data Sheet
Acetyl chloride

ACC# 95847

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Acetyl chloride  
**Catalog Numbers:** AC151270000, AC151270010, AC151270025, AC151275000, AC219470000, AC219470250, AC219472500, A27-250  
**Synonyms:** Acetic acid chloride; Ethanoyl chloride.  
**Company Identification:**  
Fisher Scientific  
1 Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
For information, call: 201-796-7100  
Emergency Number: 201-796-7100  
For CHEMTREC assistance, call: 800-424-9300  
For International CHEMTREC assistance, call: 703-527-3887

Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

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Section 3 - Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Appearance: colorless to light yellow liquid. Flash Point: 4 deg C.  
**Danger!** Causes eye and skin burns. Causes digestive and respiratory tract burns. Reacts violently with water.  
**Flammable liquid and vapor.** Material hydrolyzes in contact with moisture/water releasing toxic and corrosive fumes of hydrogen chloride and aqueous hydrochloric acid.  
**Target Organs:** Eyes, skin, mucous membranes.

**Potential Health Effects**  
**Eye:** Contact with liquid is corrosive to the eyes and causes severe burns. Lachrymator (substance which increases the flow of tears).  
**Skin:** Contact with liquid is corrosive and causes severe burns and ulceration.  
**Ingestion:** May cause corrosion and permanent tissue destruction of the esophagus and digestive tract.  
**Inhalation:** Causes chemical burns to the respiratory tract.  
**Chronic:** Chronic exposure may cause effects similar to those of acute exposure.

Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for a t least 15 minutes. Get medical aid immediately.  
**Skin:** In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid immediately. Wash clothing before reuse.  
**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical aid immediately. If victim is fully conscious, give a cupful of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.  
**Inhalation:** If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.
Notes to Physician: Treat symptomatically and supportively.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

General Information: As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. Vapors may form an explosive mixture with air. During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. Contact with moisture or water may generate sufficient heat to ignite nearby combustible materials. Flammable liquid and vapor. Reacts violently with water. Vapors are heavier than air and may travel to a source of ignition and flash back. Vapors can spread along the ground and collect in low or confined areas. Use of water will produce irritating and toxic vapors of hydrogen chloride. Hydrochloric acid solutions react with most metals, forming flammable hydrogen gas.

Extinguishing Media: Do NOT use water directly on fire. Do NOT use alcohol foams. Use carbon dioxide or dry chemical. DO NOT USE WATER!

Flash Point: 4 deg C (39.20 deg F)
Autoignition Temperature: 390 deg C (734.00 deg F)
Explosion Limits, Lower: 5.0
Upper: Not available.
NFPA Rating: (estimated) Health: 3; Flammability: 3; Instability: 2; Special Hazard: -W-

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

General Information: Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.
Spills/Leaks: Absorb spill with inert material (e.g. vermiculite, sand or earth), then place in suitable container. Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches which lead to waterways. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Remove all sources of ignition. Use a spark-proof tool. Provide ventilation. Do not expose spill to water. A vapor suppressing foam may be used to reduce vapors.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

Handling: Ground and bond containers when transferring material. Use spark-proof tools and explosion proof equipment. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Keep container tightly closed. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Do not ingest or inhale. Do not allow contact with water. Prevent build up of vapors to explosive concentration. Discard contaminated shoes. Do not pressurize, cut, weld, braze, solder, drill, grind, or expose empty containers to heat, sparks or open flames. Use only with adequate ventilation.

Storage: Keep container closed when not in use. Keep from contact with oxidizing materials. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Keep away from water. Flammables-area. Keep away from strong bases. Separate from alcohols.

Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

Engineering Controls: Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use adequate general or local explosion-proof ventilation to keep airborne levels to acceptable levels.

Exposure Limits

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OSHA Vacated PELs: Acetyl chloride: No OSHA Vacated PELs are listed for this chemical.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eyes: Wear chemical splash goggles.

Skin: Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure.
Clothing: Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.
Respirators: A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or European Standard EN 149 must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant respirator use.

### Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State:** Liquid  
**Appearance:** colorless to light yellow  
**Odor:** pungent odor  
**pH:** Not available.  
**Vapor Pressure:** 249 mm Hg @ 20 deg C  
**Vapor Density:** 2.7 (air=1)  
**Evaporation Rate:** Not available.  
**Viscosity:** Not available.  
**Boiling Point:** 51 deg C  
**Freezing/Melting Point:** -112 deg C  
**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available.  
**Solubility:** Reacts with water.  
**Specific Gravity/Density:** 1.10  
**Molecular Formula:** C2H3ClO  
**Molecular Weight:** 78.50

### Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable.  
**Conditions to Avoid:** Ignition sources, moisture, excess heat.  
**Incompatibilities with Other Materials:** Water, strong oxidizing agents, strong bases, alcohols, amines.  
**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Hydrogen chloride, phosgene, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide.  
**Hazardous Polymerization:** Has not been reported.

### Section 11 - Toxicological Information

**RTECS#:**  
**CAS# 75-36-5:** AO6390000  
**LD50/LC50:**  
**CAS# 75-36-5:**  
  Oral, rat: LD50 = 910 mg/kg  

**Carcinogenicity:**  
**CAS# 75-36-5:** Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.  
**Epidemiology:** No information found  
**Teratogenicity:** No information found  
**Reproductive Effects:** No information found  
**Mutagenicity:** No information found  
**Neurotoxicity:** No information found  
**Other Studies:**

### Section 12 - Ecological Information

No information available.
Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**RCRA P-Series:** None listed.

**RCRA U-Series:**
CAS# 75-36-5: waste number U006 (Corrosive waste, Reactive waste, Toxic waste).

Section 14 - Transport Information

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Section 15 - Regulatory Information

**US FEDERAL**

**TSCA**
CAS# 75-36-5 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

**Health & Safety Reporting List**
None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

**Chemical Test Rules**
CAS# 75-36-5: 40 CFR 799.5085

**Section 12b**
CAS# 75-36-5: Section 4

**TSCA Significant New Use Rule**
None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

**CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs**
CAS# 75-36-5: 5000 lb final RQ; 2270 kg final RQ

**SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances**
None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

**SARA Codes**
CAS # 75-36-5: immediate, delayed, fire, reactive.

**Section 313**
No chemicals are reportable under Section 313.

**Clean Air Act:**
This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants.
This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depletors.
This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depletors.

**Clean Water Act:**
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA.
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Priority Pollutants under the CWA.
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Toxic Pollutants under the CWA.

**OSHA:**
None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

**STATE**
CAS# 75-36-5 can be found on the following state right to know lists: New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts.

**California Prop 65**
California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

**European/International Regulations**
European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

Hazard Symbols:
F C

Risk Phrases:
R 11 Highly flammable.
R 14 Reacts violently with water.
R 34 Causes burns.

Safety Phrases:
S 16 Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.
S 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
S 45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).
S 9 Keep container in a well-ventilated place.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)
CAS# 75-36-5: 1

Canada - DSL/NDSL
CAS# 75-36-5 is listed on Canada’s DSL List.

Canada - WHMIS
This product has a WHMIS classification of B2, E, F.
This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all of the information required by those regulations.

Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List

Section 16 - Additional Information

MSDS Creation Date: 9/02/1997
Revision #9 Date: 3/15/2007

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