

# SAFETY DATA SHEET



2-Ethylhexanoic acid  
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## SECTION 1: Identification

### 1.1. Product identifier

Identification of the  
substance/preparation

**2-Ethylhexanoic acid**

CAS-No

149-57-5

### 1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Use of the Substance /  
Preparation

Intermediate

Uses advised against

Consumer uses  
To avoid exposure of consumers

### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier

**OQ Chemicals Corporation**  
15375 Memorial Drive  
West Memorial Place I  
Suite 300  
Houston, TX 77079  
USA  
Phone +1 346 378 7300

Product Information

Product Stewardship  
FAX: +49 (0)208 693 2053  
email: sc.psq@oq.com

### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone number NCEC +1 202 464 2554  
available 24/7

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

This substance is classified in accordance with paragraph (d) of §1910.1200 (GHS-US classification).

Reproductive toxicity Category 2, H361  
Environmental hazard Aquatic Acute 3; H402

OSHA Specified Hazards

Not applicable.

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## 2.2. Label elements

Labeling according to §1910.1200 (GHS-US labeling).

### Hazard symbol(s)



### Signal word

### Warning

### Hazard statements

H361: Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.  
H402: Harmful 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.  
P273: Avoid release to the environment.  
P280: Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

### Response

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

### Storage

P405: Store locked up.

### Disposal

P501: Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulation.

## 2.3. Other hazards

Components of the product may be absorbed into the body by inhalation, ingestion and through the skin

## SECTION 3: Composition / information on ingredients

### 3.1. Substances

Component	CAS-No	Concentration (%)
2-Ethylhexanoic acid***	149-57-5	> 99,50

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

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## **Inhalation**

Keep at rest. Aerate with fresh air. When symptoms persist or in all cases of doubt seek medical advice.

## **Skin**

Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water. When symptoms persist or in all cases of doubt seek medical advice.

## **Eyes**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses. Immediate medical attention is required.

## **Ingestion**

Call a physician immediately. Do not induce vomiting without medical advice.

## **4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

### **Main symptoms**

None known.

### **Special hazard**

Lung irritation, Lung oedema, Kidney disorders, respiratory disorder.

## **4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

### **General advice**

Remove contaminated, soaked clothing immediately and dispose of safely. First aider needs to protect himself.

Treat symptomatically. If ingested, flush stomach and compensate acidosis.

## **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

### **5.1. Extinguishing media**

#### **Suitable extinguishing media**

foam, dry chemical, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), water spray

#### **Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**

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

### **5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Under conditions giving incomplete combustion, hazardous gases produced may consist of:

carbon monoxide (CO)

carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

Combustion gases of organic materials must in principle be graded as inhalation poisons

Vapours are heavier than air and may spread along floors

### **5.3. Advice for firefighters**

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## Special protective equipment for firefighters

Fire fighter protection should include a self-contained breathing apparatus (NIOSH-approved or EN 133) and full fire-fighting turn out gear.

## Precautions for firefighting

Cool containers / tanks with water spray. Dike and collect water used to fight fire. Keep people away from and upwind of fire.

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

For non-emergency personnel: For personal protective equipment see section 8. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid breathing vapors or mists. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

For emergency responders: Personal protection see section 8.

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage. Do not discharge product into the aquatic environment without pretreatment (biological treatment plant).

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

#### Methods for containment

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

#### Methods for cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. If liquid has been spilt in large quantities clean up promptly by scoop or vacuum. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Take necessary action to avoid static electricity discharge (which might cause ignition of organic vapours).

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

For personal protective equipment see section 8.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

#### Advice on safe handling

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work rooms.

#### Hygiene measures

When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Take off all contaminated clothing immediately. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

#### Advice on the protection of the environment

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See Section 8: Environmental exposure controls.\*\*\*

## Incompatible products

bases  
amines  
strong oxidizing agents

## 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

### Advice on protection against fire and explosion

Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take necessary action to avoid static electricity discharge (which might cause ignition of organic vapours). In case of fire, emergency cooling with water spray should be available. Ground and bond containers when transferring material.

### Technical measures/Storage conditions

Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. Handle and open container with care. Recommended storage temperature:  $\leq 38\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  /  $\leq 100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$ .

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls / personal protection

### 8.1. Control parameters

#### Exposure limits United States of America

##### US ACGIH

Component	TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	TWA (ppm)	STEL (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	STEL (ppm)
2-Ethylhexanoic acid*** CAS: 149-57-5	5 Inhalable fraction and vapor.			

#### Note

For details and further information please refer to the original regulation.

### 8.2. Exposure controls

#### Appropriate Engineering controls

General or dilution ventilation is frequently insufficient as the sole means of controlling employee exposure. Local ventilation is usually preferred. Explosion-proof equipment (for example fans, switches, and grounded ducts) should be used in mechanical ventilation systems.

#### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

#### General industrial hygiene practice

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not breathe vapours or spray mist. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

#### Hygiene measures

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When using, do not eat, drink or smoke. Take off all contaminated clothing immediately. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

## Eye protection

Tightly fitting safety goggles. In addition to goggles, wear a face shield if there is a reasonable chance for splash to the face.

## Hand protection

Wear protective gloves. Recommendations are listed below. Other protective material may be used, depending on the situation, if adequate degradation and permeation data is available. If other chemicals are used in conjunction with this chemical, material selection should be based on protection for all chemicals present.

<b>Suitable material</b>	nitrile rubber
<b>Evaluation</b>	according to EN 374: level 6
<b>Glove thickness</b>	approx 0,55 mm
<b>Break through time</b>	> 480 min
<b>Suitable material</b>	polyvinylchloride
<b>Evaluation</b>	Information derived from practical experience
<b>Glove thickness</b>	approx 0.8 mm

## Skin and body protection

Impervious clothing. Wear face-shield and protective suit for abnormal processing problems.

## Respiratory protection

Respirator with filter for organic vapour. Use the indicated respiratory protection if the occupational exposure limit is exceeded and/or in case of product release (dust). Equipment should conform to NIOSH.

## Environmental exposure controls

Use product only in closed system. If leakage can not be prevented, the substance needs to be suck off at the emersion point, if possible without danger. Observe the exposure limits, clean exhaust air if needed. If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations. Inform the responsible authorities in case of leakage into the atmosphere, or of entry into waterways, soil or drains.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	liquid
<b>Colour</b>	colourless
<b>Odour</b>	mild
<b>Odour threshold</b>	No data available
<b>pH</b>	3,75 (1 g/l in water @ 25 °C (77 °F)) DIN 19268
<b>Melting point/range</b>	-117,4 °F (-83 °C) (Pour point)
<b>Boiling point/range</b>	442,4 °F (228 °C) @ 1 atm (101,3 kPa)
<b>Method</b>	OECD 103
<b>Flash point</b>	240,8 °F (116 °C) @ 1013 hPa
<b>Method</b>	closed cup
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	No data available

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**Flammability (solid, gas)** Does not apply, the substance is a liquid  
**Lower explosion limit** 0,8 Vol %  
**Upper explosion limit** 6,7 Vol %

## Vapour pressure

Values [hPa]	Values [kPa]	Values [atm]	@ °C	@ °F	Method
0,04	0,004	< 0,001	20	68	
4,3	0,43	0,004	50	122	

**Vapour density** 5,0 (Air = 1) @ 20 °C (68 °F)

## Relative density

Values	@ °C	@ °F	Method
0,9067	20	68	DIN 51757

## Solubility

No data available

## Water solubility

1,4 g/l @ 68 °F (20 °C)

## log Pow

2,7 (measured) OECD 107

## Autoignition temperature

590 °F (310 °C)

### Method

DIN 51794

## Decomposition temperature

No data available

## Viscosity

8 mPa\*s @ 68 °F (20 °C)

### Method

dynamic, ASTM D445

## 9.2. Other information

### Molecular weight

144,21

### Molecular formula

C8 H16 O2

### Oxidizing properties

Does not apply, substance is not oxidising. There are no chemical groups associated with oxidizing properties

### Refractive Index

1,425 @ 68 °F (20 °C)

### Explosive properties

Does not apply, substance is not explosive. There are no chemical groups associated with explosive properties

## SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

The reactivity of the product corresponds to the typical reactivity shown by the substance group as described in any text book on organic chemistry.

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous polymerisation does not occur.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

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Avoid contact with heat, sparks, open flame and static discharge. Avoid any source of ignition.

## 10.5. Incompatible materials

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## 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

**Likely routes of exposure** Ingestion, Inhalation, Eye contact, Skin contact

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##### **Target Organ Systemic Toxicant - Single exposure**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met for:  
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##### **Target Organ Systemic Toxicant - Repeated exposure**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met for:  
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#### **Acute toxicity**

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Routes of Exposure	Endpoint	Values	Species	Method
Oral	LD50	2043 mg/kg	rat, female	OECD 401
Dermal	LD50	> 2000 mg/kg	rat, male/female	OECD 402
Inhalative	LC0	0,11 mg/l (8 h)	rat	OECD 403

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##### **Assessment**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met for:

Acute oral toxicity

Acute dermal toxicity

Acute inhalation toxicity

#### **Irritation and corrosion**

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Target Organ Effects	Species	Result	Method	
Skin	rabbit	Mild skin irritation	OECD 404	
Eyes	rabbit	No eye irritation	OECD 405	24h

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##### **Assessment**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met for:  
skin irritation/corrosion



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eye irritation/corrosion  
For respiratory irritation, no data are available

<b>Sensitization</b>				
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Target Organ Effects	Species	Evaluation	Method	
Skin	guinea pig	not sensitizing	OECD 406	

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**Assessment**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met for:

Skin sensitization

For respiratory sensitization, no data are available

<b>Subacute, subchronic and prolonged toxicity</b>				
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Type	Dose	Species	Method	
Subchronic toxicity	NOAEL: ~ 200 mg/kg/d (90d)	mouse, male/female	EPA OTS 795.2600	Oral
Subchronic toxicity	NOAEL: ~300 mg/kg/d (90d)	rat, male/female	EPA OTS 795.2600	Oral

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**Assessment**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met for:

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<b>Carcinogenicity, Mutagenicity, Reproductive toxicity</b>					
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Type	Dose	Species	Evaluation	Method	
Developmental Toxicity	NOAEL 25 mg/kg/d	rabbit		EPA OTS 798.4900	Maternal toxicity
Developmental Toxicity	NOAEL 250 mg/kg/d	rabbit		EPA OTS 798.4900	Developmental toxicity
Developmental Toxicity	NOAEL 250 mg/kg/d	rat		EPA OTS 798.4900	Maternal toxicity
Developmental Toxicity	NOAEL 100 mg/kg/d	rat		EPA OTS 798.4900	Developmental toxicity
Reproductive toxicity	NOAEL 250 mg/kg/d	rat, parental		Oral OECD 443	
Reproductive toxicity	NOAEL 800 mg/kg/d	rat, 1. Generation, male/female		Oral OECD 443	
Mutagenicity		CHO (Chinese Hamster Ovary) cells	negative	OECD 476 (Mammalian Gene Mutation)	In vitro study
Mutagenicity		mouse lymphoma cells	negative	OECD 476 (Mammalian Gene Mutation)	

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Mutagenicity		Salmonella typhimurium	negative	OECD 471 (Ames)	In vitro study
Mutagenicity		rat lymphocytes	negative	OECD 473 (Chromosomal Aberration)	In vitro study
Mutagenicity		mouse male/female	negative	OECD 474	Oral micronucleus test

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### **CMR Classification**

The available data on CMR properties are summarized in the table above. They do not indicate a classification into categories 1A or 1B

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### **Evaluation**

In vitro tests showed mutagenic effects

Did not show carcinogenic effects in animal experiments

No indication for a carcinogenic potential

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### **Aspiration toxicity**

no data available

### **Other adverse effects**

Components of the product may be absorbed into the body by inhalation, ingestion and through the skin.

### **Note**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Further details on substance data can be found in the registration dossier under the following link:

<http://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals/registered-substances>.

## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

### **12.1. Toxicity**

<b>Acute aquatic toxicity</b>			
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Species	Exposure time	Dose	Method
Oryzias latipes (Medaka)	96h	LC50: > 100 mg/l	OECD 203
Daphnia magna (Water flea)	48h	EC50: 85,4 mg/l	79/831/EEC.C2
Desmodesmus subspicatus	72h	EC50: 49,3 mg/l	DIN 38412, part 9
Pseudomonas putida	17 h	EC50: 112,1 mg/l (Growth inhibition)	DIN 38412, part 8

<b>Long term toxicity</b>				
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Type	Species	Dose	Method	
Reproductive toxicity	Daphnia magna (Water flea)	NOEC: 25 mg/l	OECD 211	
Aquatic toxicity	Desmodesmus subspicatus	EC10: 32 mg/l (3 h)	DIN 38412 / part 9	

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## 12.2. Persistence and degradability

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### Biodegradation

99 % (28 d), Sewage, domestic, aerobic, OECD 301 E.

Abiotic Degradation		
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Type	Result	Method
Photolysis	Half-life (DT50): 47,1 h	calculated
Hydrolysis	not expected	

## 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

2-Ethylhexanoic acid (149-57-5)		
Type	Result	Method
log Pow	2,7	measured, OECD 107

## 12.4. Mobility in soil

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No data available

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Type	Result	Method
Adsorption/Desorption	Koc: 140,87 @ 20 °C	OECD 106
Surface tension	Surface activity not expected	
Distribution to environmental compartments	Air: 0,93 Soil: 3,64 Water: 91,7 Sediment: 3,68	

## 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

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### PBT and vPvB assessment

This substance is not considered to be persistent, bioaccumulating nor toxic (PBT), nor very persistent nor very bioaccumulating (vPvB)

## 12.6. Other adverse effects

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No data available

## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

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## 13.1. Waste treatment methods

### Product Information

Disposal required in compliance with all waste management related state and local regulations. The choice of the appropriate method of disposal depends on the product composition by the time of disposal as well as the local statutes and possibilities for disposal.

### Uncleaned empty packaging

Contaminated packaging should be emptied as far as possible and after appropriate cleansing may be taken for reuse.

## SECTION 14: Transport information

### Section 14.1 - 14.6

D.O.T. (49CFR) Not restricted

ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR Not restricted

IMDG Not restricted

### 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code

Product name	2-Ethylhexanoic acid
Ship type	3
Pollution category	Y

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### Federal and State Regulations

Components of the product are listed in the quoted regulations. For details please refer to the regulations directly. This list is not exhaustive, please check for other applicable regulations.

### Federal Regulations

This product is listed on the TSCA inventory

### International Inventories

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DSL (CA)  
IECSC (CN)  
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ENCS (2)-608 (JP)  
ISHL (2)-608 (JP)  
KECI KE-13740 (KR)  
INSQ (MX)  
PICCS (PH)  
TSCA (US)  
NZIoC (NZ)\*\*\*  
TCSI (TW)

## SECTION 16: Other information

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### Hazard Rating Systems

#### **NFPA (National Fire Protection Association)**

Health Hazard	1
Fire Hazard	1
Reactivity	0

#### **HMIS (Hazardous Material Information System)**

Health Hazard	1
Flammability	1
Physical Hazard	0

### **Training advice**

For effective first-aid, special training / education is needed.

### **Sources of key data used to compile the datasheet**

Information contained in this safety data sheet is based on OQ owned data and public sources deemed valid or acceptable. The absence of data elements required by OSHA, ANSI or Annex II, Regulation 1907/2006/EC indicates, that no data meeting these requirements is available.

### **Further information for the safety data sheet**

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The use of a comma in section 3 and section 7 to 12 is the same as a period.

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