



## Safety Data Sheet

Classified According to OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (HCS)

### SECTION 1: Identification

#### 1.1. Product Identifier

**Trade Name or Designation:** Acetonitrile, ACS Reagent Grade

**Product Number:** RSOA0019

**Other Identifying Product Numbers:** RSOA0019-4C, RSOA0019-55E4

#### 1.2. Recommended Use and Restrictions on Use

General Laboratory Reagent

#### 1.3. Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

**Company:** Ricca Chemical Company

**Address:** 448 West Fork Drive

Arlington, TX 76012 USA

**Telephone:** 888-467-4222

#### 1.4. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hours)

CHEMTREC (USA)

800-424-9300

CHEMTREC (International)

1+ 703-527-3887

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## SECTION 2: Hazard(s) Identification

### 2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture

For the full text of the Hazard and Precautionary Statements listed below, see Section 16.

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard Statements	Precautionary Statements:
Acute Toxicity - Oral	Category 3	H301	P264, P270, P301+P310, P321, P330, P405, P501
Acute Toxicity - Dermal	Category 4	H312	P280, P302+P352, P312, P321, P362, P501
Acute Toxicity - Inhalation	Category 3	H331	P261, P271, P304+P340, P311, P321, P403+P233, P405, P501
Eye Damage / Irritation	Category 2A	H319	P264, P280, P305+P351+P338, P337+P313
Flammable Liquids	Category 2	H225	P210, P233, P240, P241, P242, P243, P280, P303+P361+P353, P370+P378, P403+P235, P501

### 2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: **Danger**

Hazard Statements:

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapor.
H301	Toxic if swallowed.
H312	Harmful in contact with skin.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H331	Toxic if inhaled.

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**Precautionary Statements:**

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P210	Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking.
P233	Keep container tightly closed.
P240	Ground container and receiving equipment.
P241	Use explosion-proof equipment.
P242	Use only non-sparking tools.
P243	Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P261	Avoid breathing fumes, mist, vapors, or spray.
P264	Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.
P301+P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.
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.
P311	Call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P312	Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.
P321	Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).
P330	Rinse mouth.
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P370+P378	In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam or carbon dioxide to extinguish.
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.
P501	Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

**2.4. Hazards not Otherwise Classified or Covered by GHS**

Data not available.

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## SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

### 3.1. Components of Substance or Mixture

Chemical Name	Formula	Molecular Weight	CAS Number	Weight%
Acetonitrile	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	41.05 g/mol	75-05-8	100.00

## SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

### 4.1. General First Aid Information

**Eye Contact:** IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. May cause irritation with burning and stinging with possible damage to the cornea and conjunctiva.

**Inhalation:** IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

**Skin Contact:** IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. May result in irritating rash. May be absorbed through the skin with effects similar to those of inhalation.

**Ingestion:** IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Dilute immediately with water or milk. Induce vomiting. Call a physician.

### 4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

Toxic if swallowed. Harmful in contact with skin. Causes serious eye irritation. Toxic if inhaled. Flammable liquid. May be fatal if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through the skin. Forms Cyanide in the body. If ingested, give large quantity of water and induce vomiting. Call a physician immediately. Contact may cause irritation to the skin, eyes and respiratory tract. Wash areas of contact with water. It is excreted in the urine as Cyanide. Acetonitrile metabolizes into Cyanide over 2 to 8 hours, so symptoms or signs of toxicity may be delayed after significant exposure. **EYE CONTACT:** May cause irritation with burning and stinging with possible damage to the cornea and conjunctiva. **SKIN CONTACT:** May result in irritating rash. May be absorbed through the skin with effects similar to those of inhalation. **CHRONIC EFFECTS / CARCINOGENICITY:** Long-term exposures may affect liver, kidneys and central nervous system.

### 4.3. Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).

## SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

### 5.1. Extinguishing Media

In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam or carbon dioxide to extinguish. Use dry chemical, alcohol foam, or carbon dioxide for extinguishing the surrounding fire. Use water as fog in flooding quantities.

### 5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

Highly flammable liquid and vapor. Flammable liquid. Vapors are heavier than air and may travel to a source of ignition and flash back. Combustion by-products include hydrogen cyanide and oxides of nitrogen.

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## 5.3. Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters

Wear full protective clothing and positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus. Butyl rubber barrier recommended.

## SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

### 6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Ground container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

### 6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Eliminate all ignition sources. Approach release from upwind. Stop or control the leak, if this can be done without undue risk. Use water spray to cool and disperse vapors, protect personnel, and dilute spills to form nonflammable mixtures. Control runoff and isolate discharged material for proper disposal.

## SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

### 7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

Store locked up. As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from freezing and physical damage. Store in secure, flammable storage area away from all sources of ignition. Empty containers may be hazardous since they retain product residues.

## SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

### 8.1 Control Parameters

Chemical Name	Limit Type	Country	Exposure Limit	Information Source
Acetonitrile (75-05-8)	TLV-TWA	USA	20 ppm TWA	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)
Acetonitrile (75-05-8)	TWA	USA	40 ppm TWA; 70 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	U.S. - OSHA - Final PELs - Time Weighted Averages (TWAs)
Acetonitrile (75-05-8)	TWA	USA	5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (as CN)	U.S. - OSHA - Final PELs - Time Weighted Averages (TWAs)

### 8.2. Exposure Controls

**Engineering Controls:** Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below the Airborne Exposure Limit.

**Respiratory Protection:** Normal room ventilation is adequate. If the exposure limit is exceeded, a full facepiece respirator with organic vapor cartridge may be worn.

**Skin Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Chemical resistant gloves.

**Eye Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Safety glasses or goggles.



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### 8.3. Personal Protective Equipment

Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Normal room ventilation is adequate. If the exposure limit is exceeded, a full facepiece respirator with organic vapor cartridge may be worn. Chemical resistant gloves. Safety glasses or goggles.

## SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

### 9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

**Appearance:** Colorless Liquid

**Physical State:** Liquid

**Odor:** Sweet, Like Ether, Lachrymator

**Odor Threshold:** 1160 Ppm

**pH:** Data not available.

**Melting/Freezing Point:** -43.82°C

**Initial Boiling Point/Range:** Data not available.

**Flash Point:** 6°C Open Cup

**Evaporation Rate:** Data not available.

**Flammability:** Data not available.

**Flammability/Explosive Limits:** Data not available.

**Vapor Pressure:** Data not available.

**Vapor Density:** Data not available.

**Relative Density:** 0.79

**Solubility:** Miscible

**Partition Coefficient:** Data not available.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** Data not available.

**Decomposition Temperature:** Data not available.

**Viscosity:** Data not available.

**Explosive Properties:** Data not available.

**Oxidizing Properties:** Data not available.

## SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity and Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions of use and storage.

### 10.2. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Data not available.

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### 10.3. Conditions to Avoid and Incompatible Materials

Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Oxidizing material, Sulfuric Acid, Perchlorates, nitrating agents, oleum, heat, sparks, open flame.

### 10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

### 11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

#### Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:

Toxic if swallowed. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Rinse mouth. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

#### Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:

Harmful in contact with skin. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

#### Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:

Toxic if inhaled. Avoid breathing fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

#### Acute Toxicity - Other Information:

LD50, Oral, Rat: 2460 mg/kg; LD50, Dermal, Rabbit: 1250 µg/kg, details of toxic effects not reported other than lethal dose value. LC50, Inhalation, Rabbit: 2828 ppm/4H, behavioral and blood effects noted.

#### Skin Corrosion and Irritation:

Not applicable.

#### Serious Eye Damage and Irritation:

Causes serious eye irritation. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention.

#### Respiratory Sensitization:

Not applicable.

#### Skin Sensitization:

Not applicable.

#### Germ Cell Mutagenicity:

Not applicable.

#### Carcinogenicity:

Not applicable.



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**Reproductive Toxicity:**

Not applicable.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Single Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Repeated Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Aspiration Hazard:**

Not applicable.

**Additional Toxicology Information:**

Data not available.

### SECTION 12: Ecological Information

**12.1. Ecotoxicity**

Not applicable.

**12.2. Persistence and Degradability**

Data not available.

**12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential**

Data not available.

**12.4. Mobility in Soil**

Data not available.

**12.5. Other Adverse Ecological Effects**

Data not available.

### SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

**13.1. Waste Treatment Methods**

Data not available.





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### SECTION 14: Transportation Information

#### 14.1. Transportation by Land-Department of Transportation (DOT, United States of America)

**Sizes:** 4 L, 55 Gal

**UN Number:** UN1648

**Proper Shipping Name:** Acetonitrile

**Hazard Class:** 3

**Packing Group:** II

**Hazard Label(s):**



#### 14.2. Transportation by Air - International Air Transport Association (IATA)

**Sizes:** 4 L, 55 Gal

**UN Number:** UN1648

**Proper Shipping Name:** Acetonitrile

**Hazard Class:** 3

**Packing Group:** II

**Hazard Label(s):**



#### 14.3 Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG, Canada)

**Sizes:** 4 L, 55 Gal

**UN Number:** UN1648

**Proper Shipping Name:** ACETONITRILE

**Hazard Class:** 3

**Packing Group:** II

**Hazard Label(s):**



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## SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

### 15.1. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Not listed.

### 15.2. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

Not listed.

### 15.3. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): 5000 lb final RQ; 2270 kg final RQ

### 15.4. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxic Release Inventory (TRI)

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): 1.0 % de minimis concentration

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): 1.0 % de minimis concentration (X+CN<sup>-</sup> where X=H<sup>+</sup> or any other group where a formal dissociation can be made, for example, KCN or Ca(CN)<sub>2</sub>, listed under Chemical Category N106)

### 15.5. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): Present

### 15.6. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): Environmental hazard

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): Present

### 15.7. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Components

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): flammable - third degree

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): sn 0008

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): SN 0008 500 lb TPQ

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): sn 2308

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): SN 2308 500 lb TPQ (Category Code N106. Includes any unique chemical substance that contains the named metal as part of that chemical structure)

### 15.8. California Proposition 65

Not listed.

### 15.9. Canada Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List (DSL/NDSL)

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): Present (DSL)

### 15.10. United States of America Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) List

All components of this solution are listed as active on the TSCA Inventory or are mixtures (hydrates) of active items listed on the TSCA Inventory.

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): Present (ACTIVE)

### 15.11. European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS), European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS), and No Longer Polymers (NLP)

Acetonitrile (CAS # 75-05-8): 200-835-2

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## SECTION 16: Other Information

### 16.1. Full Text of Hazard Statements and Precautionary Statements

Highly flammable liquid and vapor. Toxic if swallowed. Harmful in contact with skin. Causes serious eye irritation. Toxic if inhaled.

Keep away from heat, sparks and open flame. No smoking. Ground container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Avoid breathing fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Wash arms, hands and face 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 and eye protection.

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. 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 or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Rinse mouth. If eye irritation persists: Get medical attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. In case of fire: Use dry chemical, foam or carbon dioxide to extinguish.

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

Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### 16.2. Miscellaneous Hazard Classes

**Canadian Carcinogenicity Hazard Class:** Not Applicable.

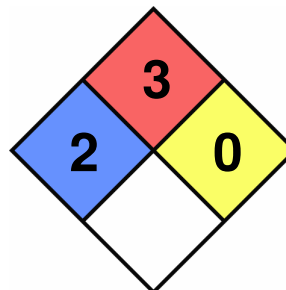
**Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (PHNOC):** Not Applicable.

**Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (HHNOC):** Not Applicable.

**Biohazardous Infectious Materials Hazard Class:** Not Applicable.

### 16.3. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Rating

**Health:** 2  
**Flammability:** 3  
**Reactivity:** 0  
**Special Hazard:**



### 16.4. Document Revision

**Last Revision Date:** 2023-10-11

## DISCLAIMER

When handled properly by qualified personnel, the product described herein does not present a significant health or safety hazard. Alteration of its characteristics by concentration, evaporation, addition of other substances, or other means may present hazards not specifically addressed herein and which must be evaluated by the user. The information furnished herein is believed to be accurate and represents the best data currently available to us. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made and RICCA CHEMICAL COMPANY assumes no legal responsibility or liability whatsoever resulting from its use.