SAFETY DATA SHEET (SDS)

in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH), Annex II — Regulation (EU) 2020/878

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tetrachloroethylene

1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethene

CAS 127-18-4

C_2Cl_4 | EC 204-825-9

MOLAR MASS	LOGP
165.80	3.4

HAZARD CLASSIFICATION (GHS / CLP)



Warning

H351 | H411

Hazard class scope limited to the harmonised classification (CLP Annex VI); classes outside the harmonised entry may require supplier self-classification (CLP Art. 4(3)) — verify with the supplier safety data sheet.

1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Substance name	tetrachloroethylene
1.1 IUPAC name	1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethene
1.1 CAS number	127-18-4
1.1 EC number	204-825-9
1.1 PubChem CID	31373
1.1 InChIKey	CYTYCFOTNPOANT-UHFFFAOYSA-N
1.1 SMILES	C(=C(Cl)Cl)(Cl)Cl
1.1 Molecular formula	C_2Cl_4 [7]
1.1 Molar mass	165.8 g/mol [7]
1.1 Exact mass	165.8725 Da [7]

1.2 Uses

For laboratory and research purposes. Not for use in the production of food, medicines or cosmetics without appropriate authorisation.

1.3 Details of the supplier

REFERENCE COPY — NO SUPPLIER DETAILS — NOT FOR DISTRIBUTION	Supplier details are not included in this reference copy. The supplier placing the substance on the market must complete this section and remains responsible for the sheet under REACH. MolGod.org prepares documentation and is not the supplier of this substance.

1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone	112 (EU-wide emergency number)

Contact the poison centre designated in the country of placing on the market (CLP Art. 45).

2. Hazards identification

GHS:



PPE:



Warning

Hazard statements (H) [3][4][10]

H351	Suspected of causing cancer
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Precautionary statements (P) [3][4][10]

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NOTE: CMR substance — employment of pregnant and breastfeeding women in work harmful to health is prohibited (Polish Labour Code Art. 176 § 1; Council of Ministers Regulation of 3 April 2017, Journal of Laws 2017 item 796). [15][16]

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3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance type	pure substance
CAS Number	127-18-4
EC number	204-825-9
Molecular formula	C_2Cl_4
Concentration	≥99% (typical reagent-grade purity — to be confirmed by the supplier's specification)
Clp index no	602-028-00-4

4. First aid measures



Inhalation

Move the affected person to fresh air. Keep at rest. If not breathing: artificial respiration (qualified personnel only). [1][2][13]

Skin contact

Remove contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with soap and water (min. 15 minutes). [1][2][13]

Eye contact

Rinse eyes with running water (min. 15 minutes). Remove contact lenses if possible. If irritation persists — consult an ophthalmologist. [1][2][13]

Ingestion

Do NOT induce vomiting (unless directed by a physician). Rinse mouth with water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Emergency number: 112 (EU-wide). Contact the poison centre designated in your country (CLP Art. 45). [1][2][13]

Symptoms and effects

No specific symptoms described in the literature. [3][10]

Notes for physician

Requires verification

Emergency numbers: Emergency: 112 (EU-wide). Poison centre: as designated in the country of placing on the market (CLP Art. 45).

5. Firefighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Adapt extinguishing media to surroundings. CO2, dry powder, foam.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	No specific restrictions.
Specific hazards	Thermal decomposition products: CO, CO2, HCl (hydrogen chloride). [14]
Advice for firefighters	Use self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Full protective suit.
Auto-ignition temperature	650°C [7]

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions	Use personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Avoid breathing vapours. [1][2][13]
Environmental precautions	Prevent entry into sewers, groundwater and surface water. [1][2][13]
Methods for containment and cleaning up	Contain the spill with a barrier. Absorb with inert material (sand, vermiculite, diatomaceous earth). Collect into sealed, labelled containers. Do not release into drains. [1][2][13]
Related sections	8; 13

7. Handling and storage

Precautions	Work in a fume hood or with adequate ventilation. No eating, drinking or smoking in the work area. [1][2][13]

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Storage temperature	Store at room temperature (15-25°C) or as indicated on the label. [1][2][13]
Humidity	Store in a dry place (<60% RH). [1][2][13]
Light	Protect from direct sunlight. [1][2][13]
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidizers, strong acids, strong bases. [14]

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

OEL — NDS (Poland)	NDS = 85 mg/m³ (TWA) · NDSCh = 170 mg/m³ (STEL) — Rozp. MRiPS Dz.U. 2024 poz.1017 [23]
OEL (EU)	The EU OEL value has not been verified against the available dataset — check the IOELV/BOELV directives; do not assume the absence of a value.
DNEL	No data available.
PNEC	No data available.

8.2 Personal protective equipment (PPE) [5][6][17]



9. Physical and chemical properties

Property (item 9.1)	Value	Source
Physical state	Liquid	
Colour	Colorless liquid [7]	
Odour	Ether-like odor [7]	
pH (1% aqueous solution)	No data available.	
Melting point	-22.2°C [8] [7]	
Boiling point	121.1327°C [8] [7]	
Flash point	No data available.	
Flammability	No data available.	
Lower and upper explosion limit	No data available.	
Density (20°C)	1.6266 g/cm³ [7]	
Vapour pressure	1.867 kPa (14 mmHg, 20°C) (experimental data) [7]	
Relative vapour density	5.72 [22]	
Dynamic viscosity	9900 mPa·s [7]	
Kinematic viscosity	No data available.	
Refractive index nD²⁰	1.5053 (experimental data) [7]	

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Property (item 9.1)	Value	Source
Auto-ignition temperature	650°C (experimental data) [7]	
Decomposition temperature	Not applicable	
Water solubility	0.206 g/L, 25°C [7]	
Particle characteristics	Not applicable (REACH 9.1(r))	
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	3.4 [9]	
Molar mass	165.8 g/mol [7]	
Molecular formula	C_2Cl_4 [7]	
Lipinski rule (RO5)	PASS	

Where a property above reads "No data available", no measured value was found in the public sources consulted for this substance. The property has not been determined by MolGod.org and no value is inferred. "Not applicable" means the property has no meaning for this substance in the form supplied.

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	Stable under normal storage and handling conditions.
Chemical stability	Thermally stable under recommended conditions.
Hazardous reactions	No hazardous reactions known under normal conditions.
Conditions to avoid	High temperatures, direct sunlight, moisture.
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidizers, strong acids, strong bases.
Decomposition products	Thermal decomposition products: CO, CO2, HCl (hydrogen chloride).

11. Toxicological information

LD50 (oral)	LD50 2400–13000 mg/kg (rat, oral) [7]
LD50 (dermal)	No data available.
LC50 (inhalation)	No data available.
Skin irritation	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][10]
Eye irritation	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][10]
Sensitisation	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][10]
Mutagenicity	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][10]
Carcinogenicity	Category 2 (harmonised classification, Annex VI to CLP).
IARC classification (carcinogenicity)	IARC Group 2A — probably carcinogenic to humans. [local snapshot — not verified against the current IARC list] [20]
Reproductive toxicity	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][10]
STOT — single exposure	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][10]
STOT — repeated exposure	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][10]
Aspiration hazard	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][10]

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12. Ecological information

Aquatic toxicity	Harmonised classification (CLP Annex VI): H411 — Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects (Aquatic Chronic 2). LC_{50} (fish): 1.6 mg/L (Oryzias latipes, 48 h). EC_{50} (Daphnia): 3.2 mg/L (Daphnia magna, 24 h). EC_{50} (algae): 0.2 mg/L (Skeletonema costatum, 48 h) [21]
Persistence / biodegradability	No data available.
Bioaccumulative potential	log Kow = 3.4 [9]. Low bioaccumulation potential (log Kow < 4.5 — PBT/vPvB screening criterion per ECHA Guidance R.11). [18][19]
Mobility in soil	No data available.
PBT/vPvB assessment	Insufficient data to assess PBT/vPvB.
Endocrine disrupting properties	No information.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal method	Hand over for disposal to licensed contractors in accordance with national and local regulations. Do not discharge into sewers.
Waste code (EWC)	16 05 06* — Laboratory and analytical chemicals (e.g. chemical reagents) containing hazardous substances. Verification of the EWC code required. [12]
Packaging	Cleaned packaging may be recycled. Contaminated packaging must be treated as hazardous waste.

14. Transport information

UN number	UN 1897 [7]
Environmental hazard	CLP classification (H411) indicates aquatic environmental hazard — marine pollutant marking may be required; confirm per ADR 2.2.9 / IMDG criteria [3]
Special precautions	Handle as dangerous goods according to the assigned class (ADR/IMDG/IATA); apply the precautions appropriate to that class.
CN/HS code	CN/HS code: verification required in the Eurostat Combined Nomenclature.
Notes	UN number per the indicated source. Verify the transport class and packing group in ADR Table A / UN Model Regulations before shipment. [7]
Environmentally hazardous (mark: fish and tree)	Yes

15. Regulatory information

SVHC status	SVHC status not verified against the available dataset — check the current ECHA Candidate List; do not assume absence. [1]
REACH Annex XIV	Not verified against the ECHA Authorisation List — check REACH Annex XIV. [1]
REACH Annex XVII	Not confirmed in the available Annex XVII dataset — verify against the current ECHA list before placing on the market; do not assume absence of restriction. [1]
IARC classification (carcinogenicity)	IARC Group 2A — probably carcinogenic to humans.

16. Other information

Legal status of classification: harmonised under CLP Annex VI — Reg. (EC) No 1272/2008 (as at the date of issue).Entries with an entry-into-force date after 04.11.2026 were omitted as future (not yet applicable).

Data aggregated automatically from public reference databases (PubChem, ECHA, NIST and others).

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Abbreviations

ADR	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
ATE	Acute Toxicity Estimate
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service
CLP	Classification, Labelling and Packaging (Reg. (EC) 1272/2008)
CMR	Carcinogenic, Mutagenic, toxic to Reproduction
DNEL	Derived No-Effect Level
EC	European Community number
EPI	Personal protective equipment
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
SDS	Safety Data Sheet
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50%
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50%
NDS	Maximum admissible concentration (workplace, PL)
NDSCh	Short-term exposure limit (PL)
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (Reg. (EC) 1907/2006)
STOT	Specific Target Organ Toxicity
SVHC	Substance of Very High Concern

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TPSA	Topological Polar Surface Area
vPvB	very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

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External links

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NFPA 704 (supplementary information — NFPA/USA system; not a required element of an EU safety data sheet under REACH Annex II)



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