SAFETY DATA SHEET (SDS)

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

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salicylic acid

2-hydroxybenzoic acid

CAS 69-72-7

$C_7H_6O_3$ | EC 200-712-3

MOLAR MASS	LOGP
138.12	2.26

HAZARD CLASSIFICATION (GHS / CLP)



Danger

H361d | H302 | H318

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	salicylic acid
1.1 IUPAC name	2-hydroxybenzoic acid
1.1 CAS number	69-72-7
1.1 EC number	200-712-3
1.1 PubChem CID	338
1.1 InChIKey	YGSDEFSMJLZEOE-UHFFFAOYSA-N
1.1 SMILES	C1=CC=C(C(=C1)C(=O)O)O
1.1 Molecular formula	$C_7H_6O_3$ [7]
1.1 Molar mass	138.12 g/mol [7]
1.1 Exact mass	138.0317 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:



Prohibitions:



Danger

Hazard statements (H) [3][4][9]

H361d	Suspected of damaging the unborn child
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H318	Causes serious eye damage

Precautionary statements (P) [3][4][9]

P201	Obtain special instructions before use
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
P264	Wash thoroughly after handling
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes; Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
P308+P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician
P330	Rinse mouth
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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). [13][14]

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3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance type	pure substance
CAS Number	69-72-7
EC number	200-712-3
Molecular formula	$C_7H_6O_3$
Concentration	≥99% (typical reagent-grade purity — to be confirmed by the supplier's specification)
Clp index no	607-732-00-5

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][11]

Skin contact

Remove contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with soap and water (min. 15 minutes). [1][2][11]

Eye contact

Rinse eyes with running water (min. 15 minutes). Remove contact lenses if possible. Call an ophthalmologist immediately. [1][2][11]

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][11]

Symptoms and effects

nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea; eye irritation and watering. [3][9]

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. [12]
Advice for firefighters	Use self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Full protective suit.
Flash Point	157°C [7]
Auto-ignition temperature	540°C [7]

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions	Use personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Avoid breathing dust. [1][2][11]
Environmental precautions	Prevent entry into sewers, groundwater and surface water. [1][2][11]
Methods for containment and cleaning up	Collect mechanically into suitable containers. Absorption: sand, vermiculite, diatomaceous earth. Do not sweep dry (dust formation). [1][2][11]
Related sections	8; 13

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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][11]
Storage temperature	Store at room temperature (15-25°C) or as indicated on the label. [1][2][11]
Humidity	Store in a dry place (<60% RH). [1][2][11]
Light	Protect from direct sunlight. [1][2][11]
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidizers, strong bases, Base metals (hydrogen evolution). [12]

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

OEL — NDS (Poland)	No NDS (OEL) value in the available working list — verify in the current MRPiPS regulation before use; do not assume the absence of a limit value.
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][15]



Chemical-resistant protective gloves
EN ISO 374-1:2016+A1:2018
nitrile (min. 0.11 mm)

Closed safety spectacles or goggles
EN ISO 16321-1:2022 / EN 166:2001

Face shield (splash risk)
EN ISO 16321-1:2022

Closed safety footwear with toe protection
EN ISO 20345:2022 (S2/S3)

9. Physical and chemical properties

Property (item 9.1)	Value	Source
Physical state	Solid	
Colour	White crystals, fine needles, or fluffy white crystalline powder [7]	
Odour	Synthetic acid is odorless [7]	
pH (1% aqueous solution)	Not applicable	
Melting point	158.6°C [8] [7]	
Boiling point	211°C (experimental data) [7]	
Flash point	157°C [7][19]	
Flammability	No data available.	
Lower and upper explosion limit	Not applicable (REACH 9.1(g))	
Density (20°C)	1.44 g/cm³ [7][19]	
Vapour pressure	0 kPa (0.000082 mmHg) (experimental data) [7]	
Relative vapour density	Not applicable (REACH 9.1(q))	

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Property (item 9.1)	Value	Source
Kinematic viscosity	Not applicable (REACH 9.1(l))	
Refractive index nD²⁰	1.565 (experimental data) [7]	
Auto-ignition temperature	540°C (experimental data) [7]	
Decomposition temperature	Not applicable	
Dissociation constant (pKa)	pKa_1 = 2.97 / pKa_2 = 13.82	
Water solubility	2.24 g/L, 25°C [7]	
Particle characteristics	The particle size distribution has not been determined for this commercial form — required under Annex II 9.1(r); to be completed from the supplier's specification.	
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	2.26 [20]	
Molar mass	138.12 g/mol [7]	
Molecular formula	$C_7H_6O_3$ [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 bases, Base metals (hydrogen evolution).
Decomposition products	Thermal decomposition products: CO, CO2.

11. Toxicological information

LD50 (oral)	LD50 891 mg/kg (rat, oral) [7]
LD50 (dermal)	LD50 >2 g/kg (rat) [7]
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][9]
Eye irritation	Category 1 — serious eye damage.
Sensitisation	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][9]
Mutagenicity	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][9]
Carcinogenicity	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][9]
IARC classification (carcinogenicity)	No individual IARC monograph for this CAS — this is not confirmation of the absence of carcinogenicity (cf. CLP/GHS classification in section 2).
Reproductive toxicity	Category 2 (harmonised classification, Annex VI to CLP).
STOT — single exposure	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][9]

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STOT — repeated exposure	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][9]
Aspiration hazard	Not classified for this hazard (outside the scope of the harmonised classification in CLP Annex VI; verify supplier self-classification) [3][9]

12. Ecological information

Aquatic toxicity	EC_{50} (Daphnia): 105 mg/L (Daphnia magna, 24 h). EC_{50} (algae): 12.3 mg/L (Raphidocelis subcapitata, 48 h) [18]
Persistence / biodegradability	No data available.
Bioaccumulative potential	log Kow = 2.26. Low bioaccumulation potential (log Kow < 4.5 — PBT/vPvB screening criterion per ECHA Guidance R.11). [16][17]
Mobility in soil	No data available.
PBT/vPvB assessment	Insufficient data to assess PBT/vPvB.
Endocrine disrupting properties	Reported endocrine effects in aquatic organisms (ecotoxicological data, US EPA ECOTOX; not a regulatory ED classification under 2018/605). [18]

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. [10]
Packaging	Cleaned packaging may be recycled. Contaminated packaging must be treated as hazardous waste.

14. Transport information

UN number	VERIFICATION REQUIRED — no verified UN assignment.
Environmental hazard	Not classified as environmentally hazardous for transport (no H400/H410/H411 in CLP Annex VI; no marine pollutant mark required) [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	Transport classification not verified. Do not assume the absence of restrictions — check ADR/IMDG/IATA before shipping.

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]

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 21.10.2026 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

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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
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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