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## Material Safety Data Sheet

### p-methoxybenzoic acid MSDS

#### Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

**Product Name:** P-methoxybenzoic acid

**CAS#:** 100-09-4

**RTECS:** BZ4395000

**Synonym:** Anisic acid

**Chemical Name:** P-methoxybenzoic acid

**Chemical Formula:** C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

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#### Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

**Composition:**

Name	CAS # %	By Weight
P-methoxybenzoic acid	100-09-4	≥99.5%

**Toxicological Data on Ingredients:** Not applicable.

#### Section 3: Hazards Identification

Emergency Overview

OSHA Hazards: Harmful by ingestion, Irritant

GHS Classification

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4)

Skin irritation (Category 2)

Eye irritation (Category 2A)

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3)  
GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements



Pictogram

Signal word Warming

Hazard statement(s)

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H315 Causes skin irritation.

H319 Causes serious eye irritation

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P261 Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 2

Flammability: 1

Physical hazards: 0

NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 2

Fire: 1

Reactivity Hazard: 0

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation: May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.

Skin: May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.

Eyes: May cause eye irritation.

Ingestion: May be harmful if swallowed.

#### Section 4: First Aid Measures

If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration.

In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water.

In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water.

#### Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability of the Product: May be combustible at high temperature.  
Auto-Ignition Temperature: Not available.  
Flash Points: CLOSED CUP: 185° C (365° F).  
Flammable Limits: Not available.  
Products of Combustion: These products are carbon oxides (CO, CO2).  
Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:  
Slightly flammable to flammable in presence of heat. Non-flammable in presence of shocks.  
Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:  
Slightly explosive in presence of open flames and sparks. Non-explosive in presence of shocks.  
Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:  
SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. Do not use water jet.  
Special Remarks on Fire Hazards: As with most organic solids, fire is possible at elevated temperatures  
Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:  
Fine dust dispersed in air in sufficient concentrations, and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard.

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

Small Spill:  
Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.  
Large Spill:  
Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system.

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

Precautions:  
Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not breathe dust.  
Keep away from incompatibles such as oxidizing agents.  
Storage: Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area.

## Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls:  
Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.  
Personal Protection: Safety glasses. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.  
Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:  
Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE

handling this product.  
Exposure Limits: Not available.

## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state and appearance: Solid. (Powdered solid.)

Odor: Odorless.

Taste: Not available.

Molecular Weight: 152.15 g/mole

Color: White.

pH (1% soln/water): Not available.

Boiling Point: Not available.

Melting Point: Sublimation temperature: 184° C (363.2° F)

Critical Temperature: Not available.

Specific Gravity: 1.385 (Water = 1)

Vapor Pressure: Not applicable.

Vapor Density: Not available.

Volatility: Not available.

Odor Threshold: Not available.

Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.: Not available.

Ionicity (in Water): Not available.

Dispersion Properties: See solubility in water, diethyl ether.

Solubility:

Soluble in diethyl ether. Very slightly soluble in cold water. Freely soluble in alcohol, chloroform, ethyl acetate.

Soluble in 2500 parts water; more soluble in boiling water.

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability: The product is stable.

Instability Temperature: Not available.

Conditions of Instability: Excess heat, incompatible materials, dust generation.

Incompatibility with various substances: Reactive with oxidizing agents.

Corrosivity: Not available.

Special Remarks on Reactivity: Not available.

Special Remarks on Corrosivity: Not available.

Polymerization: Will not occur.

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

Routes of Entry: Inhalation. Ingestion.

Toxicity to Animals:

LD50: Not available. LC50: Not available.

Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans: Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available.  
Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.  
Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:  
Acute Potential Health Effects: Skin: May cause skin irritation. Eyes: May cause eye irritation. Inhalation: May cause respiratory tract irritation. Ingestion: May cause irritation of the digestive tract. The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated.

## Section 12: Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: Not available.  
BOD5 and COD: Not available.  
Products of Biodegradation:  
Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.  
Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation: The product itself and its products of degradation are not toxic.  
Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation: Not available.

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

Waste Disposal:  
Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

## Section 14: Transport Information

DOT Classification: Not a DOT controlled material (United States).  
Identification: Not applicable.  
Special Provisions for Transport: Not applicable.

## Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

Federal and State Regulations: TSCA 8(b) inventory: p-Anisic Acid  
Other Regulations: EINECS: This product is on the European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.  
Other Classifications:  
WHMIS (Canada): Not controlled under WHMIS (Canada).  
DSCL (EEC):  
This product is not classified according to the EU regulations. S24/25- Avoid contact with skin and eyes. S36/37- Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.  
HMIS (U.S.A.):  
Health Hazard: 1  
Fire Hazard: 1  
Reactivity: 0  
Personal Protection: E  
National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):  
Health: 1  
Flammability: 1  
Reactivity: 0

Specific hazard:

Protective Equipment:

Gloves. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Safety glasses.

## **Section 16: Other Information**

References: Not available.

Other Special Considerations: Not available.

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