

## Safety Data Sheet Startex Methyl Ethyl Ketone

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### SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Product name** : Startex Methyl Ethyl Ketone

#### Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use : Solvent.

#### Manufacturer or supplier's details

**Company** : Nexeo Solutions LLC - STARTEX™  
**Address** : 3 Waterway Square Place Suite 1000  
The Woodlands, TX. 77380  
United States of America

#### Emergency telephone number:

Health North America: 1-855-NEXEO4U (1-855-639-3648)

Health International: 1-855-NEXEO4U (1-855-639-3648)

Transport North America: CHEMTREC (1-800-424-9300)

**Additional Information:** : Responsible Party: Product Safety Group  
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SDS Requests: 1-855-429-2661  
SDS Requests Fax: 1-281-500-2370  
Website: [www.nexeosolutions.com](http://www.nexeosolutions.com)

### SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### GHS Classification

Flammable liquids : Category 2

Eye irritation : Category 2A

Specific target organ toxicity  
- single exposure : Category 3 (Central nervous system)

#### GHS Label element

Hazard pictograms :



Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour.  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

Precautionary statements : **Prevention:**  
P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces.  
No smoking.  
P233 Keep container tightly closed.  
P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.  
P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equip-



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ment.  
P242 Use only non-sparking tools.  
P243 Take precautionary measures against static discharge.  
P261 Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.  
**Response:**  
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.  
P304 + P340 + P312 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. 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.  
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.  
P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.  
**Storage:**  
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.  
**Disposal:**  
P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### Other hazards

None known.

## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Substance

### Hazardous components

CAS-No.	Chemical Name	Weight %
78-93-3	Methyl ethyl ketone	90 - 100

Any Concentration shown as a range is due to batch variation.

## SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice : Move out of dangerous area.  
Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.  
Do not leave the victim unattended.

If inhaled : Consult a physician after significant exposure.  
If unconscious place in recovery position and seek medical advice.

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- In case of skin contact : If on skin, rinse well with water.  
If on clothes, remove clothes.
- In case of eye contact : Immediately flush eye(s) with plenty of water.  
Remove contact lenses.  
Protect unharmed eye.  
Keep eye wide open while rinsing.  
If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist.
- If swallowed : Keep respiratory tract clear.  
Do not give milk or alcoholic beverages.  
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.  
If symptoms persist, call a physician.  
Do not induce vomiting without medical advice.

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#### SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

- Suitable extinguishing media : Alcohol-resistant foam  
Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)  
Dry chemical
- Unsuitable extinguishing media : High volume water jet
- Specific hazards during fire-fighting : Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.
- Hazardous combustion products : Carbon oxides
- Further information : Collect contaminated fire extinguishing water separately. This must not be discharged into drains.  
Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations.  
For safety reasons in case of fire, cans should be stored separately in closed containments.  
Use a water spray to cool fully closed containers.
- Special protective equipment for firefighters : Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.  
Use personal protective equipment.

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#### SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

- Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures : Use personal protective equipment.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Remove all sources of ignition.  
Evacuate personnel to safe areas.  
Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

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- Environmental precautions : Prevent product from entering drains.  
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.  
If the product contaminates rivers and lakes or drains inform respective authorities.
- Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Contain spillage, and then collect with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and place in container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13).

#### SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Advice on protection against fire and explosion : Do not spray on a naked flame or any incandescent material.  
Take necessary action to avoid static electricity discharge (which might cause ignition of organic vapours). Use only explosion-proof equipment. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.
- Advice on safe handling : Avoid formation of aerosol.  
Do not breathe vapours/dust.  
Avoid exposure - obtain special instructions before use.  
Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
For personal protection see section 8.  
Smoking, eating and drinking should be prohibited in the application area.  
Take precautionary measures against static discharges.  
Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work rooms.  
Container may be opened only under exhaust ventilation hood.  
Open drum carefully as content may be under pressure.  
Dispose of rinse water in accordance with local and national regulations.
- Conditions for safe storage : No smoking.  
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.  
Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.  
Observe label precautions.  
Electrical installations / working materials must comply with the technological safety standards.

#### SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

##### Components with workplace control parameters

CAS-No.	Components	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis
78-93-3	Methyl ethyl ketone	TWA	200 ppm	ACGIH
		STEL	300 ppm	ACGIH
		TWA	200 ppm	NIOSH REL



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			590 mg/m3	
		ST	300 ppm 885 mg/m3	NIOSH REL
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m3	OSHA Z-1
		TWA	200 ppm 590 mg/m3	OSHA P0
		STEL	300 ppm 885 mg/m3	OSHA P0

### Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : General and local exhaust ventilation is recommended to maintain vapor exposures below recommended limits. Where concentrations are above recommended limits or are unknown, appropriate respiratory protection should be worn. Follow OSHA respirator regulations (29 CFR 1910.134) and use NIOSH/MSHA approved respirators. Protection provided by air purifying respirators against exposure to any hazardous chemical is limited. Use a positive pressure air supplied respirator if there is any potential for uncontrolled release, exposure levels are unknown, or any other circumstance where air purifying respirators may not provide adequate protection.

### Hand protection

Remarks : The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed with the producers of the protective gloves.

Eye protection : Eye wash bottle with pure water  
Tightly fitting safety goggles  
Wear face-shield and protective suit for abnormal processing problems.

Skin and body protection : Impervious clothing  
Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.

Hygiene measures : When using do not eat or drink.  
When using do not smoke.  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

### SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance : liquid

Colour : Clear, Colorless

Odour : characteristic, pungent, sweet

Odour Threshold : No data available

pH : No data available

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Freezing Point (Melting point/freezing point)	: -86 °C (-123 °F)
Boiling Point (Boiling point/boiling range)	: 79 - 81 °C (174 - 178 °F)
Flash point	: -9 - -4 °C (16 - 25 °F)
Evaporation rate	: < 7.7 (Butyl Acetate = 1)
Flammability (solid, gas)	: No data available
Upper explosion limit	: 11.5 %(V)
Lower explosion limit	: 1 %(V)
Vapour pressure	: < 94.500 mmHg @ 20 - 25 °C (68 - 77 °F)
Relative vapour density	: < 2.5 @ 20 °C (68 °F) (Air = 1.0)
Relative density	: 0.804 - 0.807 @ 20 °C (68 °F) Reference substance: (water = 1)
Density	: 0.804 - 0.806 g/cm <sup>3</sup> @ 20 °C (68 °F)
Solubility(ies) Water solubility	: completely miscible @ 20 °C (68 °F)
Solubility in other solvents	: No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	: log Pow: 0.3
Auto-ignition temperature	: 404 - 515 °C
Thermal decomposition	: No data available
Viscosity Viscosity, dynamic	: 0.40 - 0.42 mPa.s @ 20 °C (68 °F)
Viscosity, kinematic	: 0.51 mm <sup>2</sup> /s @ 20 °C (68 °F)
Surface tension	: 24.8 mN/m, 20 °C

#### SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	: No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Chemical stability	: Stable under normal conditions.



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Possibility of hazardous reactions	: Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.
Conditions to avoid	: Keep away from heat, flame, sparks and other ignition sources. Exposure to moisture
Incompatible materials	: Alkalis Chloroform hydrogen peroxide Nitric acid Oxidizing agents strong reducing agents
Hazardous decomposition products	: Carbon oxides

### SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

##### Components:

##### **78-93-3:**

Species: Rabbit  
Result: Irritating to eyes.  
Exposure time: 24 h

#### Carcinogenicity

##### **IARC**

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

##### **OSHA**

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

##### **NTP**

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

##### **ACGIH**

No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

#### STOT - single exposure

##### Components:

##### **78-93-3:**

Target Organs: Central nervous system



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Assessment: The substance or mixture is classified as specific target organ toxicant, single exposure, category 3 with narcotic effects.

### Further information

#### Product:

Remarks: Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting.

Concentrations substantially above the TLV value may cause narcotic effects.

Solvents may degrease the skin.

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## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Ecotoxicity

No data available

### Persistence and degradability

No data available

### Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

### Mobility in soil

No data available

### Other adverse effects

#### Product:

Ozone-Depletion Potential : Regulation: 40 CFR Protection of Environment; Part 82 Protection of Stratospheric Ozone - CAA Section 602 Class I Substances

Remarks: This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

Additional ecological information : No data available

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## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Disposal methods

Waste from residues : Dispose of in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal regulations.  
For assistance with your waste management needs - including disposal, recycling and waste stream reduction, contact NEXEO's Environmental Services Group at 800-637-7922.





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Contaminated packaging : Empty remaining contents.  
Dispose of as unused product.  
Do not re-use empty containers.  
Do not burn, or use a cutting torch on, the empty drum.

### SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### DOT (Department of Transportation):

UN1193, Methyl ethyl ketone, 3, II

#### IATA (International Air Transport Association):

UN1193, Methyl ethyl ketone, 3, II

#### IMDG (International Maritime Dangerous Goods):

UN1193, METHYL ETHYL KETONE, 3, II, Flash Point:-9 - -4 °C(16 - 25 °F)

### SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

WHMIS Classification : B2: Flammable liquid  
D2B: Toxic Material Causing Other Toxic Effects

#### EPCRA - Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act

##### CERCLA Reportable Quantity

Components	CAS-No.	Component RQ (lbs)	Calculated product RQ (lbs)
Methyl ethyl ketone	78-93-3	5000	5051

##### SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

SARA 311/312 Hazards : Fire Hazard  
Immediate (Acute) Health Hazard

SARA 302 : No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

SARA 313 : This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

#### Clean Air Act

This product does not contain any hazardous air pollutants (HAP), as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 12 (40 CFR 61).

This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112(r) for Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130, Subpart F).

The following chemical(s) are listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 111 SOCM I Intermediate or Final VOC's (40 CFR 60.489):

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### Clean Water Act

This product does not contain any Hazardous Substances listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 116.4A.

This product does not contain any Hazardous Chemicals listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 117.3.

This product does not contain any toxic pollutants listed under the U.S. Clean Water Act Section 307

### US State Regulations

#### Massachusetts Right To Know

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#### Pennsylvania Right To Know

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#### New Jersey Right To Know

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#### California Prop 65

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

### The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:

- TSCA : On TSCA Inventory
- DSL : All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL
- AICS : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
- NZIoC : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
- ENCS : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
- KECI : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
- PHIL : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory
- IECSC : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

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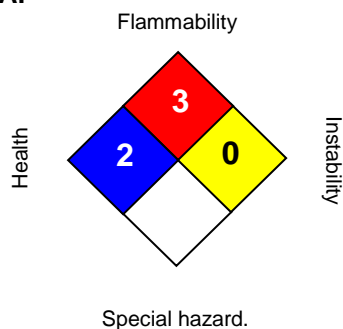
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### SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

#### NFPA:



#### HMIS III:

<b>HEALTH</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>FLAMMABILITY</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>PHYSICAL HAZARD</b>	<b>0</b>

0 = not significant, 1 = Slight,  
2 = Moderate, 3 = High  
4 = Extreme, \* = Chronic

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#### Material number:

16066725, 16066724, 16066723, 16061575, 16066703, 16066702, 16056353, 16056352, 16056351, 16056350, 16056349

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet			
ACGIH	American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists	LD50	Lethal Dose 50%
AICS	Australia, Inventory of Chemical Substances	LOAEL	Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level
DSL	Canada, Domestic Substances List	NFPA	National Fire Protection Agency
NDSL	Canada, Non-Domestic Substances List	NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety & Health
CNS	Central Nervous System	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service	NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
EC50	Effective Concentration	NOAEL	No Observable Adverse Effect Level
EC50	Effective Concentration 50%	NOEC	No Observed Effect Concentration
EGEST	EOSCA Generic Exposure Scenario Tool	OSHA	Occupational Safety & Health Administration
EOSCA	European Oilfield Specialty Chemicals Association	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	PICCS	Philippines Inventory of Commercial Chemical Substances
MAK	Germany Maximum Concentra-	PRNT	Presumed Not Toxic



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	tion Values		
GHS	Globally Harmonized System	RCRA	Resource Conservation Recovery Act
>=	Greater Than or Equal To	STEL	Short-term Exposure Limit
IC50	Inhibition Concentration 50%	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act.
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	TLV	Threshold Limit Value
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China	TWA	Time Weighted Average
ENCS	Japan, Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances	TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act
KECI	Korea, Existing Chemical Inventory	UVCB	Unknown or Variable Composition, Complex Reaction Products, and Biological Materials
<=	Less Than or Equal To	WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System
LC50			Lethal Concentration 50%