

REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE

211-001  
Revision Number: 5

## Shell Canada Limited

### Material Safety Data Sheet

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Class B2 Flammable  
Liquid



Class D2A Other Toxic  
Effects - Carcinogen



Class D2B Other Toxic  
Effects - Eye Irritant

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT: REGULAR UNLEADED GASOLINE

SYNONYMS: Automotive Fuel  
Petrol

PRODUCT USE: Fuel

MSDS Number: 211-001

#### MANUFACTURER

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#### TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Shell Emergency Number

CANUTEC 24 HOUR EMERGENCY NUMBER

For general information:

For MSDS information:

(From 7:30 to 4:30 Mountain Time)

1-800-661-7378

613-996-6666

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403-691-3982

403-691-2220

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### 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	% Range	WHMIS Controlled
Gasoline	86290-81-5	> 90	Yes
Ethyl Alcohol	64-17-5	0 - 10	Yes
Benzene	71-43-2	< 1.5	Yes

See Section 8 for Occupational Exposure Guidelines.

### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Physical Description:** Liquid Clear Typical Gasoline Odour

**Routes of Exposure:** Exposure will most likely occur through skin contact or inhalation.

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**Hazards:**

Vapour concentrations above the recommended exposure level are irritating to the eyes and respiratory tract, may cause headaches and dizziness, are anesthetic and may have other central nervous system effects.

Flammable Liquid.

Irritating to eyes.

May cause cancer.

Ingestion may result in vomiting. Avoid aspiration of vomitus into lungs as small quantities may result in aspiration pneumonitis.

May be absorbed by skin contact. Prolonged immersion in liquid may lead to chemical burns.

**Handling:**

Eliminate all ignition sources.

Wear suitable gloves and eye protection.

Bond and ground transfer containers and equipment to avoid static accumulation.

Avoid prolonged exposure to vapours.

Empty containers are hazardous, may contain flammable / explosive dusts, liquid residue or vapours. Keep away from sparks and open flames.

For further information on health effects, see Section 11.

**4. FIRST AID**

- Eyes:** Flush eyes with water for at least 15 minutes while holding eyelids open. If irritation occurs and persists, obtain medical attention.
- Skin:** Wash contaminated skin with mild soap and water for 15 minutes. If irritation occurs and persists, obtain medical attention.
- Ingestion:** DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING! OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY. Guard against aspiration into lungs by having the individual turn on to their left side. If vomiting occurs spontaneously keep head below hips to prevent aspiration of liquid into the lungs.
- Inhalation:** Remove victim from further exposure and restore breathing, if required. Obtain medical attention.
- Notes to Physician:** The main hazard following accidental ingestion is aspiration of the liquid into the lungs producing chemical pneumonitis. If more than 2.0 mL/kg has been ingested, vomiting should be induced with supervision. If symptoms such as loss of gag reflex, convulsions or unconsciousness occur before vomiting, gastric lavage with a cuffed endotracheal tube should be considered.

**5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

- Extinguishing Media:** Dry Chemical  
Carbon Dioxide  
Foam  
Water Fog
- Firefighting Instructions:** Extremely flammable. Do not use water except as a fog. Product will float and can be reignited on surface of water. Vapour forms a flammable/explosive mixture with air between upper and lower flammable limits. Avoid breathing vapours. Avoid inhalation of smoke. Vapours may travel along ground and flashback along vapour trail may occur. Do not enter confined fire space without adequate protective clothing and an approved positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus.

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**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and unidentified organic compounds may be formed upon combustion.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Issue warning "Flammable". Eliminate all ignition sources. Isolate hazard area and restrict access. Handling equipment must be grounded. Try to work upwind of spill. Avoid direct contact with material. Wear appropriate breathing apparatus (if applicable) and protective clothing. Stop leak only if safe to do so. Dike and contain land spills; contain water spills by booming. Use water fog to knock down vapours; contain runoff. Absorb residue or small spills with absorbent material and remove to non-leaking containers for disposal. Recommended materials: Clay or Sand Flush area with water to remove trace residue. Dispose of recovered material as noted under Disposal Considerations.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling:** Extremely flammable. Fixed equipment as well as transfer containers and equipment should be grounded to prevent accumulation of static charge. Avoid breathing vapours and prolonged or repeated contact with skin. Vapours may accumulate and travel to distant ignition sources and flashback. Do not use as a cleaning solvent. Never siphon by mouth. Empty containers are hazardous, may contain flammable/explosive dusts, residues or vapours. Do not cut, drill, grind, weld or perform similar operations on or near containers. Provide adequate ventilation. Launder contaminated clothing prior to reuse. Wash with soap and water prior to eating, drinking, smoking, applying cosmetics or using toilet facilities.

**Storage:** Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, away from heat and ignition sources. Protect against physical damage to containers.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, WHILE APPROPRIATE FOR THIS PRODUCT, IS GENERAL IN NATURE. THE SELECTION OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT WILL VARY DEPENDING ON THE CONDITIONS OF USE.

**OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS (Current ACGIH TLV/TWA unless otherwise noted):**

Gasoline: 300 ppm (STEL: 500 ppm)

Ethanol: 1000 ppm

Benzene (skin) : 0.5 ppm (STEL: 2.5 ppm)

Skin Notation: Absorption through skin, eyes and mucous membranes may contribute significantly to the total exposure.

**Mechanical Ventilation:** Concentrations in air should be maintained below lower explosive limit at all times or below the recommended threshold limit value if unprotected personnel are involved. Use explosion-proof ventilation as required to control vapour concentrations. Make up air should always be supplied to balance air exhausted (either generally or locally). For personnel entry into confined spaces (i.e. bulk storage tanks) a proper confined space entry procedure must be followed including ventilation and testing of tank atmosphere.

**PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:**

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- Eye Protection:** Chemical safety goggles and/or full face shield to protect eyes and face, if product is handled such that it could be splashed into eyes. Provide an eyewash station in the area.
- Skin Protection:** Avoid contact with skin. Use protective clothing and gloves manufactured from nitrile.
- Respiratory Protection:** Avoid breathing vapour or mists. If exposure has the potential to exceed occupational exposure limits, use an appropriate NIOSH-approved respirator. For limited time exposures (< 1 hour) exceeding the OEL, use an organic vapour cartridge. For longer exposures or high concentrations, use a NIOSH-approved supplied-air respirator.

## 9. PHYSICAL DATA

<b>Physical State:</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance:</b>	Clear
<b>Odour:</b>	Typical Gasoline Odour
<b>Odour Threshold:</b>	< 0.25 ppm
<b>Freezing/Pour Point:</b>	Not available
<b>Boiling Point:</b>	35 - 220 °C
<b>Density:</b>	720 - 760 kg/m <sup>3</sup> @ 15 °C
<b>Vapour Density (Air = 1):</b>	3.5
<b>Vapour Pressure (absolute):</b>	< 107 kPa @ 38 °C
<b>Specific Gravity (Water = 1):</b>	0.74
<b>pH:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flash Point:</b>	Tag Closed Cup -30 °C
<b>Lower Explosion Limit:</b>	1.4 % (vol.)
<b>Upper Explosion Limit:</b>	7.6 % (vol.)
<b>Autoignition Temperature:</b>	280 °C
<b>Viscosity:</b>	< 1 cSt @ 38 °C
<b>Evaporation Rate (n-BuAc = 1):</b>	Not available
<b>Partition Coefficient (log K<sub>ow</sub>):</b>	2.3
<b>Water Solubility:</b>	Insoluble
<b>Other Solvents:</b>	Hydrocarbon Solvents
<b>Formula:</b>	C4 - C11

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

<b>Chemically Stable:</b>	Yes
<b>Hazardous Polymerization:</b>	No
<b>Sensitive to Mechanical Impact:</b>	No
<b>Sensitive to Static Discharge:</b>	Yes
<b>Incompatible Materials:</b>	Avoid contact with strong oxidizing agents and acids.
<b>Conditions of Reactivity:</b>	Avoid excessive heat, open flames and all ignition sources.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ingredient (or Product if not specified)	Toxicological Data
Gasoline	LD50 Dermal Rabbit > 5 mL/kg LD50 Oral Rat > 18 mL/kg

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Ethyl Alcohol	LD50 Dermal Rabbit = 20000 mg/kg LD50 Oral Mouse = 3450 mg/kg LC50 Inhalation Rat = 20000 ppm for 10 hours LD50 Oral Rat = 7060 mg/kg
Benzene	LD50 Dermal Rabbit > 8260 mg/kg LC50 Inhalation Rat = 13050 ppm for 4 hours LD50 Oral Rat = 890 mg/kg

<b>Routes of Exposure:</b>	Exposure will most likely occur through skin contact or inhalation.
<b>Irritancy:</b>	Based on the ingredients, this product would be expected to be irritating to the eyes.
<b>Acute Toxicity:</b>	Vapour concentrations above the recommended exposure level are irritating to the eyes and respiratory tract, may cause headaches and dizziness, are anesthetic and may have other central nervous system effects.
<b>Chronic Effects:</b>	Prolonged and repeated contact with skin can cause defatting and drying of the skin resulting in skin irritation and dermatitis. Prolonged exposure to high vapour concentration can cause headache, dizziness, nausea, blurred vision and central nervous system depression. Prolonged and repeated exposure may cause serious injury to blood forming organs, resulting in anemia and similar conditions.
<b>Carcinogenicity and Mutagenicity:</b>	According to the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) this product is considered to be possibly carcinogenic to humans. Epidemiological studies indicate that long term inhalation of benzene vapour can cause leukaemia in man. Benzene has also produced chromosomal aberrations in peripheral blood lymphocytes.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Do not allow product or runoff from fire control to enter storm or sanitary sewers, lakes, rivers, streams, or public waterways. Block off drains and ditches. Provincial regulations require and federal regulations may require that environmental and/or other agencies be notified of a spill incident. Spill area must be cleaned and restored to original condition or to the satisfaction of authorities.

<b>Biodegradability:</b>	Not readily biodegradable. Rapid volatilization.
<b>Bioaccumulation:</b>	Potential for bioaccumulation.
<b>Partition Coefficient (log K<sub>ow</sub>):</b>	2.3

### Aquatic Toxicity

May be harmful to aquatic life.

Ingredient:	Toxicological Data
<b>Gasoline</b>	EL50 - growth rate (WAF method) Algae (72hr) 1 - 10 mg/L. EL50 (WAF method) Daphnia Magna (48hr) 1 - 10 mg/L. LL50 (WAF method) Rainbow Trout (96hr) 1 - 10 mg/L.
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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste management priorities (depending on volumes and concentration of waste) are: 1. recycle (reprocess), 2. energy recovery (cement kilns, thermal power generation), 3. incineration, 4. disposal at a licenced waste disposal facility. Do not attempt to combust waste on-site. Incinerate at a licenced waste disposal site with approval of environmental authority.

**14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION****Canadian Road and Rail Shipping Classification:**

UN Number	UN1203
Proper Shipping Name	GASOLINE
Hazard Class	Class 3 Flammable Liquids
Packing Group	PG II
Additional Information	Marine Pollutant
Shipping Description	GASOLINE Class 3 UN1203 PG II Marine Pollutant

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the *Controlled Products Regulations (CPR)* and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

<b>WHMIS Class:</b>	Class B2 Flammable Liquid Class D2A Other Toxic Effects - Carcinogen Class D2B Other Toxic Effects - Eye Irritant
<b>DSL/NDSL Status:</b>	This product, or all components, are listed on the Domestic Substances List, as required under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act. This product and/or all components are listed on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory.
<b>Other Regulatory Status:</b>	No Canadian federal standards.

**16. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION****LABEL STATEMENTS**

**Hazard Statement :** Flammable Liquid.  
Irritating to eyes.  
May cause cancer.