# HEALTH AND SAFETY SHEET UNIVERSAL BRAKE FLUID

Product name: LS80 Universal Brake Fluid

DOT 3 – All grades

DOT 4 – Grades with wet boiling points less than 165 deg. C. DOT 5 – Grades with wet boiling points less than 165 deg. C.

# **Supplier**

Beal UK Ltd

## Composition/information on ingredients

#### General

Blend of Glycol ethers, glycol ether borate esters and polyglycols with added corrosion and oxidation inhibitors.

## **Hazard Ingredients**

Hazardous Ingredients	CAS- Number	Concentration %	Classi- fication	Risks
Butyl tri glycol	143-22-6	>20	ΧI	R 36
Di ethylene glycol	111-46-6	<20	ΧN	R 22
Methyl di glycol	111-77-3	<5	ΧN	R 63

#### **Hazards Identification**

#### Physical Hazards

Not significant

# Health Hazards

R 36: Irritating to eyes. Mildly irritating to skin. When ingested it may be absorbed and cause renal damage at high dosage.

## **Environmental Hazards**

Low

## First Aid Measures

Inhalation - Remove to fresh air. If recovery is not rapid, seek medical attention.

Skin Contact – Remove contaminated clothing. Wash affected skin with soap and water. If irritation persists seek medical attention.

Eye Contact – Flush eye with water at least 10 mins. If irritation persists seek medical attention.

Ingestion – Do not induce vomiting. Wash out mouth with water give plenty of water to drink. Obtain medical advice immediately.

Note to Physician – Medical personnel should refer to the Poisons Information Unit for advice. There is no specific antidote and treatment of over exposure should be directed at control of symptoms.

## Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media – Alcohol resistant foam, Dry Powder or Water (Fog or Fine Spray)

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media – Water Jets (Can be used to cool adjacent containers) Exposure Hazards – No special risk. Combustion may contain harmful or irritant fumes. Special Protective Equipment – In extreme conditions self-contained breathing apparatus may be worn.

## Accidental Release Measures

Personal Precautions – Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. When cleaning up large spillages, suitable protective clothing should be worn including eye protection and impervious gloves.

#### **Environmental Precaution**

Prevent from entering drains, ditches or rivers. If this happens inform relevant authorities. Prevent gross contamination of soil.

# Methods for cleaning up

Contain spillage using sand or earth. Remove all material to a suitable container for subsequent disposal. Label 'salvage container' appropriately. Flush contaminated area with plenty of water.

#### Handling and Storage

Storage – Suitable bulk storage vessels are mild/stainless steel tanks fitted with a dry air breathing system or tight head steel drums. Do not store in lined tanks or drums. Brake fluid absorbs water from the atmosphere – always keep containers tightly closed. Avoid contamination with any other substances and in particular with mineral oils that are compatible.

Handling – No specific handling precautions are necessary.

# Exposure controls/personal handling

Exposure controls – No official TLV/OEL figures available for the entire preparation. However, 8 h TWA limits of 100 mg/m3 vapour or 10 mg/m3 particulates should be adhered to.

Respiratory Protection – No specific precautions at ambient temperatures. If fluid is being heated or atomised, use suitable engineering control measures.

Hand Protection – Wear suitable impervious gloves to avoid prolonged or repeated contact

Eye Protection – Wear close-fitting goggles where there is a risk of splashing. Eye baths should be provided at locations where accidental exposure may occur.

Skin Protection – Where significant exposure is possible where impervious clothing. It is recommended that showers be provided where accidental exposure may occur.

# Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance Clear liquid, some may be dyed.

Odour Bland PH 7.0 to 10.50

Boiling Point >205 deg. C DOT3 – 230min DOT4- 210min

Melting Point <-50 deg. C

Flash Point >80 deg. Cn DOT 3, >90 deg. C DOT 4

Ignition Temp >300 deg. C Density at 20 deg. C 1.030 – 1.070 g/ml

Solubility in water Miscible

Viscosity at 20 deg. C Approx 5 – 10 cSt 1500max

Vapour Pressure <2 milibars

# Stability and reactivity

Conditions to avoid – Product is stable under normal conditions

Materials to avoid – Strong oxidising agents.

Hazardous decomposition products – None Known

## **Toxicology Information**

Inhalation – Unlikely to be hazardous by inhalation at ambient due to low vapour.

Skin Contact – Mild skin irritation

Eye contact – Irritating to eyes

Ingestion – Low oral toxicity – however, if any significant amount is ingested there is a risk of renal damage which in extreme cases could lead to kidney failure, coma and death. There are no reports of long term adverse effects in man.

LD 50 Rat = >5000 mg/kg. Sparse experience indicates lethal dose in man could be considerably less.

# **Ecological Information**

Mobility – Soluble in water and will partition in aqueous phase. Volatisation from water to air not expected. Mobile in soil until degraded.

Persistence/ Degradability – Moderately

biodegradable. Bio accumulative Potential - None

Eco-toxicity - Low LC 50 100 mg/l

#### **Disposal Considerations**

Disposal dangers – As for spillages – avoid liquid entering drains, rivers, etc.

Disposal methods – Controlled incineration or recycling is recommended.

Regulations – Dispose of in accordance with local and national regulations. In the E.U> used brake fluids are classified as 'Special Waste'.

<u>Transport Information</u>

IMO Class Not classified as hazardous

UN No. None

IATA/IACO Class

ADR/RID

U.K/E.U. regulations

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Regulatory Information

E.U. Classification X I – Irritant

Risk Phrases R36 – Irritating to eyes

Safety Phrases S2 – Keep out of reach of children

S26 (Modified)

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with water for 10 mins. If irritation persists seek medical

advice.

 $S46-If\ swallowed\ seek\ medical\ advice\ immediately\ and$ 

show container or label.

Restrictions on use or exposure – To be in accord with local and national regulations including HSWA and COSHH.

# Other Information

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