1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

- **Product name**: Methylene blue
- **Product Number**: M9140
- **Brand**: Sigma-Aldrich
- **Supplier**: Sigma-Aldrich
  - 3050 Spruce Street
  - SAINT LOUIS MO 63103
  - USA
- **Telephone**: +1 800-325-5832
- **Fax**: +1 800-325-5052
- **Emergency Phone # (For both supplier and manufacturer)**: (314) 776-6555
- **Preparation Information**: Sigma-Aldrich Corporation
  - Product Safety - Americas Region
  - 1-800-521-8956

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Emergency Overview**

- **OSHA Hazards**: Target Organ Effect, Harmful by ingestion., Irritant
- **Target Organs**: Blood, Central nervous system, Eyes
- **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**: ![Warning]
- **Signal word**: Warning
- **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.
  - P264: Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
  - P270: Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
  - P271: Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
  - P280: Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.
  - P301 + P312: IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.
  - P302 + P352: IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
  - P304 + P340: IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for
breathing.

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

P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

P321 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).

P330 Rinse mouth.

P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P405 Store locked up.

P501 Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

HMIS Classification

- Health hazard: 2
- Chronic Health Hazard: *
- Flammability: 0
- Physical hazards: 0

NFPA Rating

- Health hazard: 2
- Fire: 0
- Reactivity Hazard: 0

Potential Health Effects

- Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
- Skin May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
- Eyes Causes eye irritation.
- Ingestion May be harmful if swallowed.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms: Tetramethylthionine chloride
3,7-bis(Dimethylamino)phenazathionium chloride
Basic Blue 9

Formula: C_{16}H_{18}ClN_{3}S \cdot 3H_{2}O

Molecular Weight: 373.90 g/mol

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4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice
Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

If inhaled
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact
Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact
Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

If swallowed
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.
5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

Special protective equipment for firefighters
Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

Hazardous combustion products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Sulphur oxides, Hydrogen chloride gas

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

Environmental precautions
Do not let product enter drains.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

Conditions for safe storage
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Keep in a dry place.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection
For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type OV/AG/P99 (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Hand protection
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove’s outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Eye protection
Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin and body protection
Complete suit protecting against chemicals. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Hygiene measures
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.
9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance**

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10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**Possibility of hazardous reactions**

no data available

**Conditions to avoid**

no data available

**Materials to avoid**

Strong oxidizing agents

**Hazardous decomposition products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Sulphur oxides, Hydrogen chloride gas

Other decomposition products - no data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Acute toxicity**

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Other information on acute toxicity
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Skin corrosion/irritation
no data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitization
no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity
no data available

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.

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.

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.

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.

Reproductive toxicity

no data available

Teratogenicity
no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)
Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)
no data available

Aspiration hazard
no data available

Potential health effects

Inhalation  May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
Ingestion   May be harmful if swallowed.
Skin       May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
Eyes       Causes eye irritation.

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure
Absorption into the body leads to the formation of methemoglobin which in sufficient concentration causes cyanosis. Onset may be delayed 2 to 4 hours or longer. Vomiting, Diarrhoea. To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Synergistic effects
no data available

Additional Information
RTECS: SP5740000

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity
Persistence and degradability
no data available

Bioaccumulative potential
no data available

Mobility in soil
no data available

PBT and vPvB assessment
no data available

Other adverse effects
no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)
Not dangerous goods

IMDG
Not dangerous goods

IATA
Not dangerous goods

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Hazards
Target Organ Effect, Harmful by ingestion., Irritant

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

SARA 313 Components
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.

SARA 311/312 Hazards
Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

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California Prop. 65 Components
This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

16. OTHER INFORMATION
Further information

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