

## 1: PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Trade name:** 185 Soldering Flux

**Application of the substance / the preparation:** Soldering flux

### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

**Manufacturer/Supplier:**

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**Information department:** Product Compliance: EHS\_Kester@kester.com

### 1.4 Emergency telephone number:

CHEMTREC 24-Hour Emergency Response Telephone Number : (800) 424-9300  
CHEMTREC 24-Hour Emergency Response (Outside US & Canada) Telephone Number : (703) 527-3887

## 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

**Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**



GHS02 Flame

Flam. Liq. 2 H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapor.



GHS08 Health hazard

Resp. Sens. 1 H334 May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.



GHS07

Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
Acute Tox. 4 H312 Harmful in contact with skin.  
Acute Tox. 4 H332 Harmful if inhaled.  
STOT SE 3 H335-H336 May cause respiratory irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

### 2.2 Label elements

**Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

The product is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

**Hazard pictograms**



GHS02 GHS07 GHS08

**Signal word** Danger

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**Hazard-determining components of labeling:**

Isopropanol  
sec-butanol  
Rosin

**Hazard statements**

Highly flammable liquid and vapor.  
Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.  
May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.  
May cause respiratory irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

**Precautionary statements**

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.  
Wear protective gloves / eye protection.  
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.  
IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.  
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.  
Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

**Hazard description:****WHMIS Symbols**

B2 - Flammable liquid  
D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects

**Classification system:****NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)****HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**

HEALTH	1	Health = 1
FIRE	3	Fire = 3
REACTIVITY	0	Reactivity = 0






**2.3 Other hazards****Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

PBT: Not applicable.

vPvB: Not applicable.

**3: COMPOSITION OF MIXTURE**

Description: Mixture of the substances listed below with nonhazardous additions.

CAS No.	Description	% Range
CAS: 67-63-0 EINECS: 200-661-7	Isopropanol	 Flam. Liq. 2, H225  Eye Irrit. 2A, H319; STOT SE 3, H336 40-55%
	Rosin	 Skin Sens. 1, H317 25-40%
CAS: 78-92-2 EINECS: 201-158-5	sec-butanol	 Flam. Liq. 3, H226  Eye Irrit. 2A, H319; STOT SE 3, H335-H336 10-25%

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**Additional information:**

This product will be heated to a temperature of 217C (Celsius) during soldering. All volatile substances will evaporate and not remain on the finished circuit board.

**4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

**4.1 Description of first aid measures**

**General information:** Follow general first aid procedures.

**After inhalation:** Supply fresh air; consult doctor in case of complaints.

**After skin contact:** Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.

**After eye contact:** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.

**After swallowing:** Seek immediate medical advice.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.

**4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

No further relevant information available.

**5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

**5.1 Extinguishing media**

**Suitable extinguishing agents:**

CO<sub>2</sub>, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

**For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents:** Water with full jet

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

In case of fire, the following can be released:

Carbon monoxide (CO)

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

Aliphatic aldehydes

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

**Protective equipment:** Wear self-contained respiratory protective device.

**6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Keep away from ignition sources

**6.2 Environmental precautions:** Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.

**6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**

Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Do not flush with water or aqueous cleansing agents

Absorb with clay, dry sand, or other inert material. Do not use combustible materials such as sawdust. Place in a chemical waste container.

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

See Section 7 for information on safe handling.

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

**7: HANDLING AND STORAGE**

**7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed receptacles.

Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.

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Prevent formation of aerosols.

**Information about protection against explosions and fires:**

Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.  
Protect against electrostatic charges.

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

**Storage:**

**Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** Store in a cool location.

**Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Store away from oxidizing agents.

**Further information about storage conditions:**

Keep receptacle tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed receptacles.

**7.3 Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

**8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.

**8.1 Control parameters**

**Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

**67-63-0 Isopropanol**

PEL	Long-term value: 980 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 400 ppm
REL	Short-term value: 1225 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 500 ppm Long-term value: 980 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 400 ppm
TLV	Short-term value: 984 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 400 ppm Long-term value: 492 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 200 ppm BEI

**78-92-2 sec-butanol**

PEL	Long-term value: 450 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 150 ppm
REL	Short-term value: 455 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 150 ppm Long-term value: 305 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 100 ppm
TLV	Long-term value: 300 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , 100 ppm

**Additional information:**

PEL = Permissible Exposure Limit (OSHA)

TLV = Threshold Limit Value (ACGIH)

OSHA = Occupational Safety and Health Administration

ACGIH = American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**8.2 Exposure controls**

**Personal protective equipment:**

**General protective and hygienic measures:**

The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

**Breathing equipment:**

Not necessary if room is well-ventilated.

Use suitable respiratory protective device in case of insufficient ventilation.

**Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

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**Material of gloves:**

Nitrile rubber, NBR

Natural rubber, NR

**Penetration time of glove material:**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

**Eye protection:**

Safety Glasses with Sideshields at all times.

Safety glasses



Face Shield with Safety Glasses when refilling.

## 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### General Information

**Appearance:**

**Form:** Liquid  
**Color:** Amber colored  
**Odor:** Mild

**pH-value:** Not determined.

**Change in condition**

**Melting point/Melting range:** Undetermined.  
**Boiling point/Boiling range:** 82 °C (180 °F)

**Flash point:** 18 °C (64 °F)

**Ignition temperature:** 390 °C (734 °F)

**Auto igniting:** Product is not selfigniting.

**Danger of explosion:** Product is not explosive. However, formation of explosive air/vapor mixtures are possible.

**Explosion limits:**

**Lower:** 1.7 Vol %  
**Upper:** 12.0 Vol %

**Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F):** 43 hPa (32 mm Hg)

**Density at 20 °C (68 °F):** 0.88 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (7.344 lbs/gal)

**Solubility in / Miscibility with**

**Water:** Partly miscible.

**Solvent content:**

**Organic solvents:** VOC Content 558 g/L

## 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**10.1 Reactivity** No further relevant information available.

**10.2 Chemical stability**

**Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.

**10.4 Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.

**10.5 Incompatible materials:** Strong acids, strong oxidizers.

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**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products:**

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

When heated to soldering temperatures, the solvents are evaporated and rosin may be thermally degraded to liberate aliphatic aldehydes and acids.

**11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

**Acute toxicity:**

Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.

**LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

**67-63-0 Isopropanol**

Oral	LD50	5045 mg/kg (rat)
Dermal	LD50	12800 mg/kg (rabbit)
Inhalative	LC50/4 h	30 mg/l (rat)

**Rosin**

Oral	LD50	> 4000 mg/kg (Rat)
Dermal	LD50	>2500 mg/kg (rabbit)

**Primary irritant effect:**

**on the skin:** Possible local irritation by contact with flux or fumes.

**on the eye:** Smoke during soldering can cause eye irritation.

**through inhalation:**

Vapors during use may irritate mucous membranes and respiratory system. High concentrations can cause headache, dizziness, and nausea.

Flux fumes during soldering may cause irritation and damage of mucous membranes and respiratory system.

**through ingestion:** May cause gastrointestinal irritation.

**Sensitization:**

May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

**Additional toxicological information:**

**Carcinogenic categories**

**IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**

67-63-0	Isopropanol	3
64-17-5	ethanol	1

**NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**12.1 Toxicity**

**Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.

**Additional ecological information:**

**General notes:**

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

**PBT:** Not applicable.

**vPvB:** Not applicable.

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**13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**13.1 Waste treatment methods**

**Recommendation:**

Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.

**Uncleaned packagings:**

**Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

**14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**14.1 UN-Number**

DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA

UN1987

**14.2 UN proper shipping name**

DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA

UN 1987 ALCOHOLS, N.O.S. (ISOPROPANOL, BUTANOLS), 3, II, (D/E)

**14.3 Transport hazard class(es)**

DOT



**Class Label**

3 Flammable liquids  
3

**ADR, IMDG, IATA**



**Class Label**

3 Flammable liquids  
3

**14.4 Packing group**

DOT, IMDG, IATA

II

**Marine pollutant:**

No

**14.6 Special precautions for user**

Not applicable.

**Danger code (Kemler):**

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**EMS Number:**

F-E,S-D

**14.7 Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code**

Not applicable.

**Transport/Additional information:**

DOT

**Quantity limitations**

On passenger aircraft/rail: 5 L  
On cargo aircraft only: 60 L

ADR

**Excepted quantities (EQ)**

Code: E2  
Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 ml  
Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 ml

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**IMDG**

Limited quantities (LQ)  
Excepted quantities (EQ)

1L

Code: E2

Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 ml

UN "Model Regulation":

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**15: REGULATORY INFORMATION****15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

All ingredients are listed on the following Government Inventories:

China: Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)  
Korea: Korea Existing Chemicals List (ECL)  
Europe: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)  
Japan: Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)  
Philippines: Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)  
USA: TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act) TSCA Inventory of Chemical Substances

**USA** The following information relates to product regulation specific to the USA.

**SARA (Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act)****Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):**

None of the ingredient is listed.

**Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

78-92-2 | sec-butanol

**TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):** Kester certifies that all components listed below for the subject finished product are on the TSCA Inventory of Chemical Substances and are not subject to any chemical specific regulation under TSCA Section 12(b) export notification requirements delineated at 40 CFR part 707, subpart D.

All ingredients are listed or exempt from listing.

**California Proposition 65****Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**Carcinogenic categories****EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**CANADA:**

Workplace Hazardous Materials Identification (WHMIS):

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Canadian Controlled Products Regulation (CPR) and the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) contains all of the information required by the CPR.

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The product is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

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### Hazard pictograms



GHS02 GHS07 GHS08

**Signal word** Danger

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IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.  
Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

**15.2 Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

## 16: OTHER INFORMATION

The information contained herein is based on data considered accurate and is offered solely for information, consideration and investigation. Kester extends no warranties, makes no representations and assumes no responsibility as to the accuracy, completeness or suitability of this data for any purchaser's use. The data on this Material Safety Data Sheet relates only to this product and does not relate to use with any other material or in any process. All chemical products should be used only by, or under the direction of, technically qualified personnel who are aware of the hazards involved and the necessity for reasonable care in handling. Hazard communication regulations require that employees must be trained on how to use a Material Safety Data Sheet as a source for hazard information.

**Department issuing Safety Data Sheet (SDS):** Product Compliance / EHS Department

**Contact:** EHS\_Kester@kester.com

**Date of preparation / last revision** 10/05/2015 / 7

### Abbreviations and acronyms:

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)  
ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organisation  
ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)  
IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods  
DOT: US Department of Transportation  
IATA: International Air Transport Association  
GHS: Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals  
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances  
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)  
NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)  
HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)  
WHMIS: Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (Canada)  
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent  
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent  
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic  
vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative  
Flam. Liq. 2: Flammable liquids, Hazard Category 2

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Flam. Liq. 3: Flammable liquids, Hazard Category 3  
Acute Tox. 4: Acute toxicity, Hazard Category 4  
Eye Irrit. 2A: Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Hazard Category 2A  
Resp. Sens. 1: Sensitisation - Respirat., Hazard Category 1  
Skin Sens. 1: Sensitisation - Skin, Hazard Category 1  
STOT SE 3: Specific target organ toxicity - Single exposure, Hazard Category 3  
**\* Data compared to the previous version altered.**

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