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### 1. Product Identification

**Trade Name:** NUWASH

**Description:** Solvent based cleaner/degreaser.

### 2. Composition / Information on Ingredients

Ingredient	CAS Number	Conc. (w/w)	Classification	R. Phrases
Solvent Naptha	64742-95-6	30-40%	F,Xn,N	10,65,66,67,51/53
1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene (all isomers or mixtures)	25551-13-7	20-30%	F,Xn,N	10,20,36/37/38,51/53
n&isopropylbenzenes	103-65-1	<5%	Xi	37
Mesitylene	108-67-8	5-10%	Xi	37
Xylenes	1330-20-7	<5%	F,Xn	10,20/21,38
Methoxypropylacetate	108-65-6	10-20%	F,Xi	10,36
Diacetone Alcohol	123-42-4	10-20%	F,Xi	10,36

**NOTE:** Benzene (CAS No. 71-43-2) will normally be present in trace amounts but will always be less than 0.1% w/w marker level in the 21<sup>st</sup> ATP to the Dangerous Substances Directive. This product is NOT CLASSIFIED as a carcinogen under the CHIP3 regulations.

### 3. Hazard Identification

Flammable and harmful, may cause lung damage if swallowed. May cause irritation of the eyes and respiratory system. Toxic to aquatic organisms and has the potential to cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

### 4. First Aid Measures

**Inhalation:** In case of drowsiness or sickness remove to fresh air, keep patient warm and at rest. If unconscious, turn to the recovery position. Seek medical assistance.

**Skin Contact:** Promptly remove contaminated clothing and wash the affected area with plenty of soap and water to ensure all traces of product are removed, then rinse thoroughly. Any contaminated clothing must be thoroughly cleaned before re-using. Seek medical advice if irritation persists.

**Eye Contact:** Flush with copious amounts of clean water for at least 15 minutes, with the eye lids held open. Seek medical attention.

**Ingestion:** Wash out mouth with water. Keep patient at rest and obtain medical attention. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING.

### 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Suitable Extinguisher Media:** Alcohol-resistant foam, dry powder, carbon dioxide or sand.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media:** Water.

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**Exposure Hazards:** May give off toxic fumes if heated or involved in a fire, including carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide.

**Special Protective Equipment:** Full face, positive pressure, self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.

#### **6. Accidental Release Measures**

**Personal Precautions:** Wear protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Do not eat, drink or smoke. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Eliminate all ignition sources.

**Environmental Precautions:** Eliminate all ignition sources. Keep people and animals away. Prevent entry into drains, sewers and watercourses. If spillage enters drains leading to sewerage works inform the local water company. If spillage enters rivers or watercourses inform the Environment Agency.

**Spillages:** Cordon off area. Absorb/contain spillage using inert absorbent granules, sand or earth. Transfer collected material to heavy-duty plastic/steel drums and keep in a well ventilated place for subsequent safe disposal. See Section 13.

#### **7. Handling and Storage**

**Handling:** No specific precautions required when handling unopened containers; follow any relevant manual handling guidance. Refer to Sections 6 and 8 if exposure to product is possible. Wash thoroughly with soap and water before eating, drinking or smoking, and after work.

**Storage:** Store in original containers in a well ventilated area away from heat, ignition sources or open flame. Do not store near acids.

#### **8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection**

**Occupational Exposure Standards:** Hydrocarbon Solvent (from raw material composition): 8 Hour TWA 150mg/m<sup>3</sup> OEL (calculated).  
Methoxypropyl acetate: 8 Hour TWA 50ppm, 15 min STEL 150ppm OES (Indicative Limit Value).  
Diacetone Alcohol: 8 Hour TWA 50ppm, 15 minute STEL 75ppm OES.

**Engineering Control Measures:** Refer to any applicable COSHH assessments. Engineering controls should be used where practicable in preference to personal protection and may include physical containment and good ventilation.

**Respiratory Protection:** If levels of solvents exceed the above limits use an approved respirator fitted with an appropriate gas cartridge (organic substance). All items must conform to EN149 and should be suitable for the levels of contamination present in the workplace.

<b>Hand Protection:</b>	Wear Neoprene or Nitrile gloves or gauntlets. These must be manufactured to EN374. The material breakthrough time should be stated by the glove manufacturer, and must be observed at all times.
<b>Eye Protection:</b>	If splashing of the product is likely chemical resistant goggles conforming to BS 2092 should be worn.
<b>Body Protection:</b>	Wear suitable impervious, chemical resistant overalls.
<b>Foot Protection:</b>	Wear chemical resistant safety footwear.
<b>Hygiene Measures:</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

### **9. Physical and Chemical Properties**

<b>Appearance:</b>	Clear liquid	<b>Boiling Point:</b>	Base	155-181 °C
<b>Odour:</b>	Aromatic	<b>Vapour Pressure @ 20°C:</b>	(Air =1)	>1
<b>pH:</b>	N/A	<b>Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1):</b>	0.21	
<b>Flash Point:</b>	>41°C	<b>Flammable Limits in Air:</b>	<b>Upper:</b>	7.0%
			<b>Lower:</b>	0.8%
<b>Solubility:</b>	Immiscible in water	<b>Autoignition Temperature:</b>	>450°C	
<b>Flammability:</b>	Flammable liquid			
<b>Specific Gravity:</b>	0.84-0.90			

### **10. Stability and Reactivity**

<b>Stability:</b>	Stable under normal conditions (see Section 7).
<b>Materials to Avoid:</b>	Strong oxidising agents. Avoid sources of ignition.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products:</b>	Toxic gases/vapours/fumes of: Carbon dioxide(CO <sub>2</sub> ). Carbon monoxide (CO).

### **11. Toxicological Information**

There is no data available on the product itself. The following relates to the primary solvents in the product.

<b>Inhalation:</b>	Harmful by inhalation. May cause sensitisation by inhalation. Vapour concentrations above the recommended exposure levels are irritating to the eyes and respiratory tract, and may cause headaches, dizziness and have other CNS effects.
<b>Eye Contact:</b>	Irritating to the eyes.
<b>Skin Contact:</b>	Irritant for skin and mucous membranes.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	May result in irritation to the gastro intestinal tract. Small amounts of liquid aspirated into the respiratory

system during ingestion or from vomiting may cause bronchopneumonia or pulmonary oedema.

**Health Warnings:**

Can be hazardous when inhaled and/or following skin contact. May cause allergic reaction and irritation of the respiratory system. Prolonged inhalation of high concentrations may damage the respiratory system.

**12. Ecological Information**

There is no data available on the product itself.  
Hazardous for water. Do not allow the product to reach ground water, water bodies or sewage systems. Must not reach sewage water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralised. The liquid product may be neutralised with a mixture of ammonia solution (190g/ltr), water and ethanol.

**13. Disposal Considerations**

Dispose of used containers and un-cured product as hazardous waste, in accordance with all applicable local and national regulations, and in compliance with the Environmental Protection (Duty of Care) Regulations 1991.

**14. Transport Information**

**For 25 Litre Unit:**

UN Number:	1268	Packaging Group:	III
<b>ROAD</b>		<b>AIR</b>	
ADR Class:	3	Air Transport Number:	3
ADR Hazard Number:	30	Packaging Instruction:	310
<b>SEA</b>			
IMDG Class:	3.3		
IMDG Page Number:	3375		
Marine Pollutant:	P		

Proper Shipping Name: Petroleum distillates, N.O.S. (alkyl (C3-4) benzenes).

**For 5 Litre Unit:**

Supplied as Limited Quantity.

**15. Regulatory Information**

**EU Classification and Labelling Particulars:**

**Designated Name:** NUWASH

**Classification:** Flammable and Harmful - Contains Solvent Naptha and 1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene

**Indication(s) of Danger:** F, Xn & N

**Risk and Safety Phrases:**

R10:	Flammable.
R36/37:	Irritating to eyes and respiratory system.
R51/53:	Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.
R65:	Harmful: may cause lung damage if swallowed.
S23:	Do not breathe vapour or spray.
S24/25:	Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

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S60: This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.  
S62: If swallowed, do not induce vomiting: seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.

**UK Guidance Publications:** EH40; Occupational Exposure Limits, HSE. Revised annually.  
EH44; Dust in the Workplace: General Principles of Protection, HSE.  
EH26; Occupational Skin Diseases - Health and Safety Precautions, HSE.

**UK Legislation:** Health and Safety at Work, etc Act, 1974, and relevant Statutory Provisions.  
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations, 1999.  
The Manual Handling Operations Regulations, 1992.  
The Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations, 1992.  
Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations, 2002 - CHIP 3.

#### 16. Other Information

##### **Full Text of R-Phrases Referred to above:**

R10: Flammable.  
R20: Harmful by inhalation.  
R21: Harmful in contact with skin.  
R36: Irritating to eyes.  
R37: Irritating to respiratory system.  
R38: Irritating to skin.  
R51/53: Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.  
R65: Harmful: may cause lung damage if swallowed.  
R66: Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking.  
R67: Vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness.

**Training Advice:** Do not use unless trained to do so. Refer to the Technical Data Sheet for the product.

**Recommended Uses:** For professional use only. This product is designed for use as a solvent based cleaner/degreaser.

**Further Information:** This Safety Data Sheet was compiled in accordance with EU Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC. Reference was also made to the above legislation and guidance publications.

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recommendations, conditions and instructions relating to any relevant product label, usage information, consent or approval in force at the time. Further and more specific information may be obtained from the supplier on request.