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1. Product Identification

Trade Name: POLYSOLV

Description: Primarily aromatic solvent for dissolving expanded polystyrene.

2. Composition / Information on Ingredients

Ingredient	CAS Number	Conc. (w/w)	Classification	R. Phrases
Distillates (petroleum), hydrodesulphurised, middle.	64742-80-9	100%	Xn,N	65,66,51/53

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 21st ATP to the Dangerous Substances Directive. This product is NOT CLASSIFIED as a carcinogen under the CHIP3 regulations.

3. Hazard Identification

Combustible liquid. Harmful, may cause lung damage if swallowed. Repeated exposure may cause dryness or cracking of the skin. Toxic to aquatic organisms and has the potential to cause long-term damage to 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 jet.

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

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. Avoid breathing vapours. 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. Avoid sparks and open flames. 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. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. 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, sunlight, ignition sources or open flame. Keep away from oxidising agents. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

8. Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

- Occupational Exposure Standards:** Distillates (petroleum), hydrodesulphurised, middle - 8 Hour TWA 50ppm (recommended).
- 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 vapour 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.
- Hand Protection:** Wear Neoprene, Nitrile or PVC 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.

Eye Protection:	If splashing of the product is likely chemical resistant goggles conforming to BS 2092 should be worn.
Body Protection:	Wear suitable impervious, chemical resistant overalls.
Foot Protection:	Wear chemical resistant safety footwear.
Hygiene Measures:	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance:	Clear liquid	Boiling Point:	205-270°C
Odour:	Aromatic	Vapour Pressure @ 20°C:	<0.38mm Hg
pH:	N/A	Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1):	N/D
Flash Point:	80°C	Flammable Limits in Air:	Upper: 8.0% Lower: 0.9%
Solubility:	Immiscible in water	Autoignition Temperature:	450°C
Flammability:	Combustible liquid		
Specific Gravity:	0.90		

10. Stability and Reactivity

Stability:	Stable under normal conditions (see Section 7). Avoid heat, flames and sparks.
Materials to Avoid:	Reacts violently with strong acids, alkalis and oxidising agents.
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	Thermal decomposition may lead to the formation of a wide range of compounds, some of which may be hazardous. With incomplete combustion smoke and hazardous fumes and gases, including carbon monoxide, may be formed.

11. Toxicological Information

There is no data available on the product itself.
The following information is based on a knowledge of the components and the toxicology of similar products.

Acute Effects:	Harmful: May cause lung damage if swallowed. Causes moderate irritation to the skin. Liquid and vapour cause mild irritation to the eyes. Ingestion of large amounts may have toxic effects. Excessive exposure may have anaesthetic or narcotic effects. Single exposure to vapours is not likely to be hazardous. Excessive exposure may cause irritation to upper respiratory tract.
Chronic Effects:	Liquid has a degreasing action on the skin and may produce a dry, scaly and fissured dermatitis. May cause chemical pneumonitis after inhalation of significant quantities of vapour or aspired mists.

12. Ecological Information

There is no data available on the product itself.
The following information is based on a knowledge of the toxicity of similar products.

- Mobility:** Floats on water. Partly evaporates from water or soil surfaces, but a significant proportion will remain after one day. Large volumes may penetrate soil and could contaminate groundwater.
- Degradability:** Biodegradable according to the appropriate OECD test. This product is expected to be removed in a wastewater treatment plant. Oxides rapidly by photochemical reactions in air.
- Bioaccumulation:** Not expected to bioaccumulate.
- Ecotoxicity:** Expected to be toxic to aquatic organisms and to cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

13. Disposal Considerations

Dispose of unused 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.
Used containers should be drained thoroughly. After draining, vent in a safe place away from sparks and fire. Residues may cause an explosion hazard. Do not puncture, cut or weld uncleaned drums.

14. Transport Information

For 25 Litre Unit:

UN Number:	3082	Packaging Group:	III
ROAD		AIR	
ADR Class:	9	Air Transport Number:	9
ADR Hazard Number:	90	Packaging Instruction:	914
SEA			
IMDG Class:	9		
IMDG Page Number:	9028		
Marine Pollutant:	P		
Proper Shipping Name:	Environmentally hazardous substance, liquid, N.O.S. (contains hydrodesulphurised petroleum distillate).		

For 5 Litre Unit:

Supplied as Limited Quantity.

15. Regulatory Information

EU Classification and Labelling Particulars:

Designated Name: POLYSOLV

Classification: Harmful & Dangerous for the Environment

Indication(s) of Danger: Xn & N

Contains: Distillates (petroleum), hydrodesulphurised) middle.

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Risk and Safety Phrases:

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.
S23: Do not breathe vapour/spray.
S24/25: Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
S37: Wear suitable gloves.
S62: If swallowed, do not induce vomiting. Seek medical advice immediately and show the container or label.

UK Guidance Publications: EH40; Occupational Exposure Limits, HSE. Revised annually.
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:

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.

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 for dissolving expanded polystyrene.

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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label, usage information, consent or approval in force at the time. Further and more specific information may be obtained from the supplier on request.