

## Material Safety Data Sheet

### Section 1 – Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** 3,5-Difluorobenzyl alcohol  
**Synonyms:** (3,5-Difluorophenyl)methanol  
**Company Identification:** Shanghai PI Chemicals Ltd.  
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### Section 2 – Product Information

**Catalog Number:** PI-31311  
**CAS #:** 79538-20-8  
**Purity:** 98.0%  
**EINECS#** Unlisted

### Section 3 – Physical and Chemical Properties

**Appearance:** Colorless to light brown liquid  
**Odor:** Not available  
**Molecular Formula:**  $C_7H_6F_2O$   
**Molecular Weight:** 144.12  
**Freezing / Melting Point:** Not available  
**Boiling Point:** 97-99°C (9 mmHg)  
**Flash Point:** 94°C  
**Refractive Index (nD20):** 1.486-1.488  
**Density:** 1.27g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available  
**Solubility:** Not available

### Section 4 – Hazards Identification

**Eye:** Causes eye irritation.  
**Skin:** Causes skin irritation. Harmful if absorbed through the skin.

**Ingestion:** May cause irritation of the digestive tract. Toxic if swallowed.

**Inhalation:** Harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.

## Section 5 – First Aid Measures

**Eye:** Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid.

**Skin:** Get medical aid. Flush skin with plenty of water and soap for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid if irritation develops and persists.

**Ingestion:** Get medical aid immediately. Wash mouth out with water.

**Inhalation:** Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

## Section 6 – Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Not available

**Materials to avoid:** Strong oxidizing agents.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Incompatible materials.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, hydrogen fluoride gas.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Has not been reported.

## Section 7 – Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Avoid breathing dust, vapor, mist, or gas. Keep container tightly closed. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wash thoroughly after handling. Mechanical exhaust required.

**Storage:** Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a tightly closed container. Keep away from sources of ignition.

## Section 8 – Personal Protection

**Eyes:** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin:** Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure.

**Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respirators:** Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

## Section 9 – Fire and Explosion Hazard Data

**General Information:** As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or appropriate foam.

## Section 10 – Accidental Release Measures

**General Information:** Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

**Spills / Leaks:** Vacuum or sweep up material and place into a suitable disposal container.

## Section 11 – Toxicological Information

**RTECS#:** CAS# 79538-20-8: Unlisted

**LD50 / LC50:** RTECS: Not available

**Carcinogenicity:** 3,5-Difluorobenzyl alcohol - Not listed as a carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

## Section 12 – Environmental information

Not available

## Section 13 – Disposal Consideration

Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber. Observe all federal, state and local environmental regulations.

## Section 14 – Transport Information

Not available

## Section 15 – Regulatory Information

### European / International Regulations

European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

Hazard Symbols: Xi

Risk Phrases:

R 36/37/38 Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

**Safety Phrases:**

S 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

S 37/39 Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

**WGK (Water Danger/Protection)**

CAS# 79538-20-8: Not available

**Canada**

CAS# 79538-20-8: Not available

**US Federal**

**TSCA**

CAS# 79538-20-8 is listed on the TSCA Inventory.

## Section 16 – Additional Information

**MSDS Creation Date:** 2/21/2007

**Update:** Original

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