

# Safety Data Sheet

## Paraffin Wax

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### Section 1 Product Description

**Product Name:** Paraffin Wax  
**Recommended Use:** Science education applications  
**Synonyms:** Alkanes, Histowax  
**Distributor:** Carolina Biological Supply Company  
2700 York Road, Burlington, NC 27215  
1-800-227-1150  
**Chemical Information:** 800-227-1150 (8am-5pm (ET) M-F)  
**Chemtrec:** 800-424-9300 (Transportation Spill Response 24 hours)

### Section 2 Hazard Identification

Classification of the chemical in accordance with paragraph (d) of §1910.1200;

GHS Classification:

**Other Safety Precautions:** Not a dangerous substance according to GHS classification criteria.  
No known OSHA hazards.  
May cause irritation.  
May cause gastrointestinal discomfort.  
May cause irritation to respiratory tract.  
May cause irritation to skin.

### Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>%</u>
Paraffin Wax	8002-74-2	100

### Section 4 First Aid Measures

#### Emergency and First Aid Procedures

**Inhalation:** In case of accident by inhalation: remove casualty to fresh air and keep at rest.  
**Eyes:** In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.  
**Skin Contact:** After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water.  
**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do not induce vomiting: seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.

### Section 5 Firefighting Procedures

**Extinguishing Media:** Use alcohol resistant foam, carbon dioxide, dry chemical, or water spray when fighting fires. Water or foam may cause frothing if liquid is burning but it still may be a useful extinguishing agent if carefully applied to the fire. Do not direct a water stream directly into the hot burning liquid.  
**Fire Fighting Methods and Protection:** Firefighters should wear full protective equipment and NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus.  
**Fire and/or Explosion Hazards:** None Known  
**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Carbon dioxide, Carbon monoxide

### Section 6 Spill or Leak Procedures

**Steps to Take in Case Material Is Released or Spilled:** No health affects expected from the clean-up of this material if contact can be avoided. Follow personal protective equipment recommendations found in Section 8 of this (M)SDS. Avoid creating and inhaling dust. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a disposal container. Do not flush spill to drain.

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## Section 7 Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Keep out of the reach of children. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
**Storage:** Suitable for any general chemical storage.  
**Storage Code:** Green - general chemical storage

## Section 8 Protection Information

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>ACGIH</u>		<u>OSHA PEL</u>	
	<u>(TWA)</u>	<u>(STEL)</u>	<u>(TWA)</u>	<u>(STEL)</u>
Paraffin Wax	2 mg/m3 TWA (fume)	N/A	N/A	N/A

### Control Parameters

**Engineering Measures:** No exposure limits exist for the constituents of this product. General room ventilation might be required to maintain operator comfort under normal conditions of use.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):** Lab coat, apron, eye wash, safety shower.

**Respiratory Protection:** No respiratory protection required under normal conditions of use.

**Eye Protection:** Wear chemical splash goggles when handling this product. Have an eye wash station available.

**Skin Protection:** Avoid skin contact by wearing chemically resistant gloves, an apron and other protective equipment depending upon conditions of use. Inspect gloves for chemical break-through and replace at regular intervals. Clean protective equipment regularly. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking, and when leaving work.

**Gloves:** Natural rubber, Neoprene, PVC or equivalent.

## Section 9 Physical Data

<b>Formula:</b> N/A	<b>Vapor Pressure:</b> <10 hPa at 20 °C
<b>Molecular Weight:</b> N/A	<b>Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):</b> N/A
<b>Appearance:</b> Colorless to White Solid	<b>Vapor Density (Air=1):</b> 0.9
<b>Odor:</b> No data available	<b>Specific Gravity:</b> 0.9
<b>Odor Threshold:</b> No data available	<b>Solubility in Water:</b> Practically Insoluble
<b>pH:</b> No data available	<b>Log Pow (calculated):</b> No data available
<b>Melting Point:</b> 56 C	<b>Autoignition Temperature:</b> > 350 C
<b>Boiling Point:</b> No data available	<b>Decomposition Temperature:</b> No data available
<b>Flash Point:</b> 199 C	<b>Viscosity:</b> No data available
<b>Flammable Limits in Air:</b> N/A	<b>Percent Volatile by Volume:</b> 0%

## Section 10 Reactivity Data

**Reactivity:** No data available  
**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal conditions.  
**Conditions to Avoid:** None known.  
**Incompatible Materials:** Strong oxidizing agents  
**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur

## Section 11 Toxicity Data

**Routes of Entry:** Inhalation and ingestion.  
**Symptoms (Acute):** None Known  
**Delayed Effects:** No data available

### Acute Toxicity:

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS Number</u>	<u>Oral LD50</u>	<u>Dermal LD50</u>	<u>Inhalation LC50</u>
No data available	8002-74-2	Not determined	Not determined	Not determined

### Carcinogenicity:

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS Number</u>	<u>IARC</u>	<u>NTP</u>	<u>OSHA</u>
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No data available

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Not listed

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## Chronic Effects:

**Mutagenicity:** No evidence of a mutagenic effect.  
**Teratogenicity:** No evidence of a teratogenic effect (birth defect).  
**Sensitization:** No evidence of a sensitization effect.  
**Reproductive:** No evidence of negative reproductive effects.

## Target Organ Effects:

**Acute:** See Section 2

**Chronic:** To the best of our knowledge, the toxicological properties of this mixture have not been thoroughly evaluated.

## Section 12

## Ecological Data

**Overview:** This material is not expected to be harmful to the ecology. Keep out of waterways.  
**Mobility:** No data  
**Persistence:** No data  
**Bioaccumulation:** No data  
**Degradability:** No data  
**Other Adverse Effects:** No data

**Chemical Name**  
N/A

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**Eco Toxicity**

## Section 13

## Disposal Information

**Disposal Methods:** Dispose in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Local regulations. Always contact a permitted waste disposer (TSD) to assure compliance.  
**Waste Disposal Code(s):** Not Determined

## Section 14

## Transport Information

**Ground - DOT Proper Shipping Name:**  
Not Regulated for Transport

**Air - IATA Proper Shipping Name:**  
Not regulated for air transport by IATA.

## Section 15

## Regulatory Information

**TSCA Status:** All components in this product are on the TSCA Inventory.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	§ 313 Name	§ 304 RQ	CERCLA RQ	§ 302 TPQ	CAA 112(2) TQ
No data available	8002-74-2	No	No	No	No	No

## Section 16

## Additional Information

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## Glossary

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service Number	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation	ppm	Parts per million
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
N/A	Not Available	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
		TLV	Threshold Limit Value
		TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
		IDLH	Immediately dangerous to life and health