

**BYK GS-55**

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**SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION**

Product name : BYK GS-55

**Manufacturer or supplier's details**Company : BYK USA LLC  
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Visit our web site : [www.byk.com](http://www.byk.com)E-mail address : [BRIEF.BYK.NAFTA@altana.com](mailto:BRIEF.BYK.NAFTA@altana.com)Emergency telephone : 203-265-2086; CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300 / +1  
703-527-3887**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use**

Recommended use : oilfield

Restrictions on use : Refer to Section 15 for any restrictions that may apply

**SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****GHS Classification**

Flammable liquids : Category 4

Skin sensitization : Category 1

Carcinogenicity : Category 1A

Specific target organ toxicity  
- single exposure : Category 3 (Central nervous system)

Aspiration hazard : Category 1

**GHS label elements**

Hazard pictograms :



Signal Word : Danger

Hazard Statements : H227 Combustible liquid.  
H304 May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.  
H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.  
H336 May cause drowsiness or dizziness.  
H350 May cause cancer.Precautionary Statements : **Prevention:**  
P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

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P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

P210 Keep away from heat/ sparks/ open flames/ hot surfaces. No smoking.

P261 Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapors/ spray.

P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P272 Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.

P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

**Response:**

P301 + P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P304 + P340 + P312 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.

P331 Do NOT induce vomiting.

P333 + P313 If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.

**Storage:**

P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P403 + P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

P405 Store locked up.

**Disposal:**

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

**Other hazards**

None known.

**SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Substance / Mixture : Mixture  
 Chemical nature : phenol-formaldehyde resin

**Hazardous ingredients**

Component	CAS-No.	Concentration (%)
Solvent naphtha (petroleum), heavy aromatic	64742-94-5	>= 20 - < 30
Naphthalene	91-20-3	>= 1 - < 5
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	>= 0.1 - < 1

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### SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice	: Move out of dangerous area. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Symptoms of poisoning may appear several hours later. Do not leave the victim unattended.
If inhaled	: Consult a physician after significant exposure. If unconscious, place in recovery position and seek medical advice.
In case of skin contact	: If on skin, rinse well with water. If on clothes, remove clothes.
In case of eye contact	: Flush eyes with water as a precaution. Remove contact lenses. Protect unharmed eye. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist.
If swallowed	: Keep respiratory tract clear. Do NOT induce vomiting. Do not give milk or alcoholic beverages. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If symptoms persist, call a physician. Take victim immediately to hospital.
Notes to physician	: No information available.

### SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	: Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) Dry chemical
Unsuitable extinguishing media	: High volume water jet
Specific hazards during fire fighting	: Carbon oxides
Hazardous combustion products	: Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide and unburned hydrocarbons (smoke).
Further information	: For safety reasons in case of fire, cans should be stored separately in closed containments. Use a water spray to cool fully closed containers.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

### SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	: Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation.
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Environmental precautions : Prevent product from entering drains.  
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.  
If the product contaminates rivers and lakes or drains inform respective authorities.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Contain spillage, and then collect with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and place in container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13).  
Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

**SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Advice on safe handling : Avoid formation of aerosol.  
Do not breathe vapors/dust.  
Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
For personal protection see section 8.  
Smoking, eating and drinking should be prohibited in the application area.  
Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work rooms.  
Dispose of rinse water in accordance with local and national regulations.  
Persons susceptible to skin sensitization problems or asthma, allergies, chronic or recurrent respiratory disease should not be employed in any process in which this mixture is being used.

Conditions for safe storage : No smoking.  
Keep in a well-ventilated place.  
Observe label precautions.  
Electrical installations / working materials must comply with the technological safety standards.

**SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**
**Ingredients with workplace control parameters**

Components	CAS-No.	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis
Naphthalene	91-20-3	TWA	10 ppm	ACGIH
Naphthalene		TWA	10 ppm 50 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	OSHA Z-1
Naphthalene		TWA	10 ppm 50 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	OSHA P0
Naphthalene		STEL	15 ppm 75 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	OSHA P0
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	C	0.3 ppm	ACGIH
Formaldehyde		TWA	0.75 ppm	OSHA Z-1
Formaldehyde		STEL	2 ppm	OSHA Z-2

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Hazardous components without workplace control parameters

**Personal protective equipment**

Respiratory protection	:	In the case of vapor formation use a respirator with an approved filter.
Hand protection	:	
Material	:	Impervious gloves
Remarks	:	The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed with the producers of the protective gloves.
Eye protection	:	Eye wash bottle with pure water Tightly fitting safety goggles
Skin and body protection	:	Impervious clothing Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.
Hygiene measures	:	When using do not eat or drink. When using do not smoke. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

**SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Appearance	:	liquid
Color	:	amber
Odor	:	aromatic
Odor Threshold	:	No data available
pH	:	No data available
Melting point/freezing point	:	No data available
Initial boiling point and boiling range	:	390 °F (199 °C)
Vapor pressure	:	No data available
Flash point	:	162.5 °F (72.5 °C) Method: Tag closed cup
Upper explosion limit	:	No data available
Lower explosion limit	:	No data available
Evaporation rate	:	No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	:	No data available
Relative Density/Specific Gravity	:	No data available
Density	:	1.0515 g/cm <sup>3</sup> (68 °F (20 °C))
Solubility(ies)	:	

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Water solubility	:	negligible
Solubility in other solvents	:	No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	:	No data available
Ignition temperature	:	No data available
Thermal decomposition	:	No data available
Viscosity		
Viscosity, dynamic	:	1,500 mPa.s (77 °F (25 °C))
Viscosity, kinematic	:	No data available
Surface tension	:	No data available

**SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Reactivity	:	No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.
Chemical stability	:	No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	:	No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.
		Vapors may form explosive mixture with air.
Conditions to avoid	:	Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Heat, flames and sparks.
Incompatible materials	:	Incompatible with strong bases and oxidizing agents.
Hazardous decomposition products	:	No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.

**SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Information on likely routes of exposure**

Inhalation  
Ingestion  
Eye contact  
Skin contact

**Acute toxicity****Product:**

Acute oral toxicity	:	Acute toxicity estimate : 4,290 mg/kg Method: Calculation method
Acute dermal toxicity	:	Acute toxicity estimate : > 5,000 mg/kg

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Method: Calculation method

**Components:****64742-94-5 Solvent naphtha (petroleum), heavy aromatic:**

Acute oral toxicity : LD50 (Rat): &gt; 2,000 mg/kg

Acute inhalation toxicity : LC50 (Rat): &gt; 100 mg/l

Acute dermal toxicity : LD50 (Rabbit): &gt; 2,500 mg/kg

**91-20-3 Naphthalene:**

Acute oral toxicity : LD50 (Mouse): 316 mg/kg

Acute inhalation toxicity : LC50 (Rat): > 340 ppm  
Exposure time: 1.00 h

Acute dermal toxicity : LD50 (Rat): &gt; 2,500 mg/kg

**Skin corrosion/irritation****Product:**

Remarks: No data available

**Components:****91-20-3 Naphthalene:**

Species: Rabbit

Method: Draize Test

Result: Severe skin irritation

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation****Product:**

Remarks: No data available

**Components:****91-20-3 Naphthalene:**

Species: Rabbit

Result: Mild eye irritation

Method: Draize Test

**Respiratory or skin sensitization****Product:**

Remarks: Causes sensitization.

**Components:****64742-94-5 Solvent naphtha (petroleum), heavy aromatic:**

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Test Type: Maximization Test  
 Routes of exposure: Skin contact  
 Species: Guinea pig  
 Method: OECD Test Guideline 406  
 Result: Not a skin sensitizer.  
 GLP: No information available.

**Carcinogenicity**

<b>IARC</b>	Group 2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans	
	Naphthalene	91-20-3
	Group 1: Carcinogenic to humans	
	Formaldehyde	50-00-0
<b>OSHA</b>	OSHA specifically regulated carcinogen	
	Formaldehyde	50-00-0
<b>NTP</b>	Reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen	
	Naphthalene	91-20-3
	Known to be human carcinogen	
	Formaldehyde	50-00-0

**Further information**
**Product:**

Remarks: Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting., Concentrations substantially above the TLV value may cause narcotic effects., Solvents may degrease the skin.

**SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**
**Ecotoxicity**

No data available

**Persistence and degradability**

No data available

**Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

**Mobility in soil**

No data available

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**Other adverse effects**
**Product:**

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment : This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Regulation : 40 CFR Protection of Environment; Part 82 Protection of Stratospheric Ozone - CAA Section 602 Class I Substances

Remarks : This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

Additional ecological information : No data available

**SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**
**Disposal methods**

Waste from residues : Do not dispose of waste into sewer.  
Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used container.  
Send to a licensed waste management company.

Contaminated packaging : Empty remaining contents.  
Dispose of as unused product.  
Do not re-use empty containers.  
Do not burn, or use a cutting torch on, the empty drum.

**SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**
**International Regulations**
**IATA-DGR**

UN/ID No. : UN 3082

Proper shipping name : Environmentally hazardous substance, liquid, n.o.s.  
(Alkyl (C3-C5) benzenes, naphthalene)

Class : 9

Packing group : III

Labels : Miscellaneous Dangerous Goods

Packing instruction (cargo aircraft) : 964

Packing instruction (passenger aircraft) : 964

**IMDG-Code**

UN number : UN 3082

Proper shipping name : ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S.

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(Alkyl (C3-C5) benzenes, naphthalene)

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Class : 9

Packing group : III

Labels : 9

EmS Code : F-A, S-F

Marine pollutant : yes

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code**

Not applicable for product as supplied.

**Domestic regulation**
**49 CFR**

UN/ID/NA number : NA 1993

Proper shipping name : Combustible liquid, n.o.s.  
(Alkyl (C3-C5) benzenes, naphthalene)

Class : CBL

Packing group : III

Labels : Combustible liquid

Marine pollutant : yes (Alkyl (C3-C5) benzenes naphthalene)

**SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**
**EPCRA - Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know**
**US. EPA CERCLA Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 302)**

Components	CAS-No.	Component RQ (lbs)	Calculated product RQ (lbs)
Naphthalene	91-20-3	100	2703

**SARA 304 - Emergency Release Notification**

Components	CAS-No.	Component RQ (lbs)	Calculated product RQ (lbs)
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	100	33333

**US. EPA Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA) SARA Title III Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance (40 CFR 355, Appendix A)**

Components	CAS-No.	Component RQ (lbs)	Calculated product RQ (lbs)
Formaldehyde	50-00-0	100	33333

**SARA 311/312 Hazards** : Per the June 13, 2016 Federal Register notice, EPA harmonized the EPCRA 311/312 hazard categories with the 2012 OSHA hazard communication standard for classifying and labeling of chemicals (i.e. GHS). Please refer to Section 2 of the SDS to identify the appropriate hazard categories for reporting purposes.

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**SARA 302** : The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 302:

Formaldehyde	50-00-0	.3 %
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**SARA 313** : This product contains the following toxic chemical(s) subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 and 40 CFR part 372.

Naphthalene	91-20-3	3.7 %
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Formaldehyde	50-00-0	.3 %
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**Clean Air Act**

The following chemical(s) are listed as HAP under the U.S. Clean Air Act, Section 112 (40 CFR 61):

Naphthalene	91-20-3	3.7 %
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This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112(r) for Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130, Subpart F).

This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 111 SOCM I Intermediate or Final VOC's (40 CFR 60.489).

**Massachusetts Right To Know**

Naphthalene	91-20-3
Formaldehyde	50-00-0


**Pennsylvania Right To Know**

Polymer	-
Solvent naphtha (petroleum), heavy aromatic	64742-94-5
Naphthalene	91-20-3
Formaldehyde	50-00-0

**New Jersey Right To Know**

**New Jersey Trade Secret Registry Number for the product (NJ TSRN)** : 800963-6015

**California Prop. 65**

 **WARNING:** This product can expose you to chemicals including Naphthalene, Formaldehyde, which is/are known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).

**The ingredients of this product are reported in the following inventories:**

**TSCA** : All substances listed as active on the TSCA inventory

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- Section 5a : No substances are subject to a Significant New Use Rule.
- Section 4 / 12(b) : No substances are subject to TSCA 12(b) export notification requirements.
- DSL : We certify that all of the components of this product are listed on the DSL.

**SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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The information provided in this Safety Data Sheet is correct to the best of our knowledge, information and belief at the date of its publication. The information given is designed only as a guidance for safe handling, use, processing, storage, transportation, disposal and release and is not to be considered a warranty or quality specification. The information relates only to the specific material designated and may not be valid for such material used in combination with any other materials or in any process, unless specified in the text.