

# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** Benzalkonium Chloride  
80% w/w Solution
- **Article number:** B1863
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
Aqua Solutions, Inc.  
6913 Highway 225  
DEER PARK, TX 77536  
USA  
800-256-2586
- **Information department:**  
Technical Coordinator  
Sherman Nelson [shermann@aquasolutions.org](mailto:shermann@aquasolutions.org)
- **Emergency telephone number:**  
Chemtrec: 800-424-9300  
Canutec: 613-996-6666



## 2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**



GHS02 Flame

Flam. Liq. 3 H226 Flammable liquid and vapor.



GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 1 H330 Fatal if inhaled.



GHS08 Health hazard

STOT SE 2 H371 May cause damage to organs.



GHS05 Corrosion

Skin Corr. 1A H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.



GHS07

Acute Tox. 4 H312 Harmful in contact with skin.

Eye Irrit. 2A H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

- **Label elements**

- **GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

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· **Hazard pictograms**



GHS02   GHS05   GHS06   GHS08

· **Signal word** *Danger*

· **Hazard statements**

*Flammable liquid and vapor.*  
*Harmful in contact with skin.*  
*Fatal if inhaled.*  
*Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.*  
*Causes serious eye irritation.*  
*May cause damage to organs.*

· **Precautionary statements**

*Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.*  
*Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.*  
*Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.*  
*Use only non-sparking tools.*  
*Take precautionary measures against static discharge.*  
*Do not breathe dusts or mists.*  
*Wash thoroughly after handling.*  
*Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.*  
*Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.*  
*Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.*  
*[In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection.*  
*If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.*  
*If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.*  
*IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.*  
*If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.*  
*Continue rinsing.*  
*Immediately call a poison center/doctor.*  
*IF exposed or concerned: Call a poison center/doctor.*  
*Specific treatment is urgent (see on this label).*  
*Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.*  
*If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.*  
*Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.*  
*In case of fire: Use for extinction: CO2, powder or water spray.*  
*Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.*  
*Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.*  
*Store locked up.*  
*Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.*

· **Classification system:**

· **NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



Health = 3  
Fire = 3  
Reactivity = 0

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· **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**

HEALTH	3	Health = *3
FIRE	3	Fire = 3
REACTIVITY	0	Reactivity = 0

- **Other hazards**
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

### 3 Composition/information on ingredients

- **Chemical characterization: Mixtures**
- **Description:** Mixture of the substances listed below with nonhazardous additions.

· **Dangerous components:**

CAS: 68424-85-1	Benzalkonium Chloride	80.0%
CAS: 64-17-5	Ethyl Alcohol, Absolute 200 Proof	13.4%
	Amines, C12-16-alkyldimethyl	1.6%

· **Table of Nonhazardous Ingredients**

CAS: 7732-18-5	Water	5.0%
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### 4 First-aid measures

- **Description of first aid measures**
- **General information:**  
Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.  
Symptoms of poisoning may even occur after several hours; therefore medical observation for at least 48 hours after the accident.  
Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing have been completely removed.  
In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.
- **After inhalation:**  
Supply fresh air or oxygen; call for doctor.  
In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.
- **After skin contact:** Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
- **After eye contact:**  
Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing:** Drink copious amounts of water and provide fresh air. Immediately call a doctor.
- **Information for doctor:**
- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.
- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**  
No further relevant information available.

### 5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:**  
CO<sub>2</sub>, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

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- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**  
During heating or in case of fire poisonous gases are produced.
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Mouth respiratory protective device.

## 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Mount respiratory protective device.  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
- **Environmental precautions:**  
Dilute with plenty of water.  
Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).  
Use neutralizing agent.  
Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **Reference to other sections**  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.  
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.
- **Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals**

- **PAC-1:**

CAS: 68424-85-1	Benzalkonium Chloride	1.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
CAS: 64-17-5	Ethyl Alcohol, Absolute 200 Proof	1,800 ppm

- **PAC-2:**

CAS: 68424-85-1	Benzalkonium Chloride	14 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
CAS: 64-17-5	Ethyl Alcohol, Absolute 200 Proof	3300* ppm

- **PAC-3:**

CAS: 68424-85-1	Benzalkonium Chloride	84 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
CAS: 64-17-5	Ethyl Alcohol, Absolute 200 Proof	15000* ppm

## 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**  
Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.  
Open and handle receptacle with care.  
Prevent formation of aerosols.
- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:**  
Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.  
Protect against electrostatic charges.  
Keep respiratory protective device available.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.

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- **Further information about storage conditions:** Keep receptacle tightly sealed.
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

## 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.
- **Control parameters**
- **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**  
The following constituent is the only constituent of the product which has a PEL, TLV or other recommended exposure limit.  
At this time, the other constituents have no known exposure limits.

**CAS: 64-17-5 Ethyl Alcohol, Absolute 200 Proof**

PEL Long-term value: 1900 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 1000 ppm

REL Long-term value: 1900 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 1000 ppm

TLV Short-term value: 1880 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, 1000 ppm

- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.
- **Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment:**
- **General protective and hygienic measures:**  
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
Store protective clothing separately.  
Avoid contact with the eyes.  
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.
- **Breathing equipment:**  
In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.
- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.  
Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.  
Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

- **Material of gloves**  
The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer. As the product is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.
- **Penetration time of glove material**  
The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

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· **Eye protection:**

Tightly sealed goggles

· **Body protection:** Protective work clothing

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

· **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**· **General Information**· **Appearance:**

<b>Form:</b>	Liquid
<b>Color:</b>	Light yellow
<b>Odor:</b>	No data available
<b>Odor threshold:</b>	Not determined.

· **pH-value:** Not determined.· **Change in condition**

<b>Melting point/Melting range:</b>	Undetermined.
<b>Boiling point/Boiling range:</b>	78 °C (172.4 °F)

· **Flash point:** 27 °C (80.6 °F)· **Flammability (solid, gaseous):** Not applicable.· **Ignition temperature:** 425 °C (797 °F)· **Decomposition temperature:** Not determined.· **Auto igniting:** Product is not selfigniting.· **Danger of explosion:** Product is not explosive. However, formation of explosive air/vapor mixtures are possible.· **Explosion limits:**

<b>Lower:</b>	3.5 Vol %
<b>Upper:</b>	19 Vol %

· **Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F):** 59 hPa (44.3 mm Hg)· **Density at 20 °C (68 °F):** 0.95272 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (7.95045 lbs/gal)· **Relative density** Not determined.· **Vapor density** Not determined.· **Evaporation rate** Not determined.· **Solubility in / Miscibility with**· **Water:** Fully miscible.· **Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):** Not determined.· **Viscosity:**

<b>Dynamic:</b>	Not determined.
<b>Kinematic:</b>	Not determined.

· **Solvent content:**· **Organic solvents:** 13.4 %

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<b>Water:</b>	5.0 %
<b>VOC content:</b>	13.40 % 127.7 g/l / 1.07 lb/gal

<b>Solids content:</b>	15.0 %
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<b>Other information</b>	No further relevant information available.
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## 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.
- **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **Incompatible materials:** No further relevant information available.
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** No dangerous decomposition products known.

## 11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**
- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.
- **on the eye:**  
Strong caustic effect.  
Irritating effect.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.
- **Additional toxicological information:**  
The product shows the following dangers according to internally approved calculation methods for preparations:  
Harmful  
Corrosive  
Irritant  
Very toxic  
Swallowing will lead to a strong caustic effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.
- **Carcinogenic categories**

- **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**

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- **NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

None of the ingredients is listed.
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- **OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)**

None of the ingredients is listed.
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## 12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.

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- **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **Behavior in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**  
Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water  
Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.  
Must not reach bodies of water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralized.
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation:**  
Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
- **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

## 14 Transport information

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|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>UN-Number</b></li> <li>· <b>DOT, IMDG, IATA</b></li> </ul>                                | UN2920  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>UN proper shipping name</b></li> <li>· <b>DOT</b></li> <li>· <b>IMDG, IATA</b></li> </ul> | Corrosive liquids, flammable, n.o.s. (Benzalkonium Chloride, Ethanol)<br>CORROSIVE LIQUID, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. (Benzalkonium Chloride, ETHANOL)   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>Transport hazard class(es)</b></li> <li>· <b>DOT</b></li> </ul>                           | <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; gap: 10px;">   </div> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>Class</b></li> <li>· <b>Label</b></li> </ul>  | 8 Corrosive substances<br>8, 3  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>IMDG</b></li> </ul>   | <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; gap: 10px;">   </div> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· <b>Class</b></li> </ul>  | 8 Corrosive substances  |

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· **Label** 8/3

· **IATA**



· **Class** 8 Corrosive substances

· **Label** 8 (3)

· **Packing group**

· **DOT, IMDG, IATA** II

· **Environmental hazards:** Not applicable.

· **Special precautions for user** Warning: Corrosive substances

· **Hazard identification number (Kemler code):** 30

· **EMS Number:** F-E,S-C

· **Stowage Category** A

· **Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code** Not applicable.

· **Transport/Additional information:**

· **DOT**

· **Quantity limitations** On passenger aircraft/rail: 60 L  
On cargo aircraft only: 220 L

· **IMDG**

· **Limited quantities (LQ)** 5L

· **Excepted quantities (EQ)** Code: E1

Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 ml

Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 1000 ml

· **UN "Model Regulation":** UN 2920 CORROSIVE LIQUID, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S.  
(BENZALKONIUM CHLORIDE, ETHANOL), 8 (3), II

## 15 Regulatory information

· **Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**  
No further relevant information available.

· **Sara**

· **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):**

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Ethyl Alcohol, Absolute 200 Proof

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Water

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Amines, C12-16-alkyldimethyl

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· **Hazardous Air Pollutants**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Proposition 65**

· **Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

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· **Carcinogenic categories**

· **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **TLV (Threshold Limit Value)**

CAS: 64-17-5 Ethyl Alcohol, Absolute 200 Proof

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· **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

· **Hazard pictograms**



GHS02   GHS05   GHS06   GHS08

· **Signal word** *Danger*

· **Hazard statements**

*Flammable liquid and vapor.*

*Harmful in contact with skin.*

*Fatal if inhaled.*

*Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.*

*Causes serious eye irritation.*

*May cause damage to organs.*

· **Precautionary statements**

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

*Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.*

*Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.*

*Use only non-sparking tools.*

*Take precautionary measures against static discharge.*

*Do not breathe dusts or mists.*

*Wash thoroughly after handling.*

*Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.*

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

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

*[In case of inadequate ventilation] wear respiratory protection.*

*If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.*

*If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.*

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*Immediately call a poison center/doctor.*

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*Store locked up.*

*Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.*

· **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

## 16 Other information

*This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.*

· **Department issuing SDS:** Environment protection department.

· **Contact:**

· **Date of preparation / last revision**

*Revision 1.0 05-07-2021: updated hazard information. STN*

*Revision 2.0, 01-12-2020: Updated sections 1, 2 and 15 to meet Fanns new requirements 05/24/2021 / -*

· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

*IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods*

*DOT: US Department of Transportation*

*IATA: International Air Transport Association*

*EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances*

*ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances*

*CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)*

*NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)*

*HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)*

*VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds (USA, EU)*

*PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic*

*vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative*

*NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety*

*OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health*

*TLV: Threshold Limit Value*

*PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit*

*REL: Recommended Exposure Limit*

*Flam. Liq. 3: Flammable liquids – Category 3*

*Acute Tox. 4: Acute toxicity – Category 4*

*Acute Tox. 1: Acute toxicity – Category 1*

*Skin Corr. 1A: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1A*

*Eye Irrit. 2A: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 2A*

*STOT SE 2: Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) – Category 2*