



SAFETY BRIEF

STAYING SAFE WITH SOLVENTS

A solvent is a substance that easily dissolves into other substances. Solvents are safe to use if you know how to properly handle them.


PROTECT YOURSELF

- Always wear personal protective equipment when handling solvents
- Select the correct respirator for the task
- Make sure you're wearing the appropriate type of gloves for the solvent you're handling
- Use hoods, fans and ventilation systems when necessary
- Do not put your hands directly into the solvent, even if you're wearing gloves—use a tool instead

STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

- Keep solvents away from other chemicals
- Store solvents in well-ventilated areas
- Check to make sure the containers are grounded to reduce static electricity
- Keep solvents out of direct sunlight
- Follow your company's disposal procedure for solvents and solvent-soaked clothing
- Create a label with the contents of the container if the manufacturer's label is missing



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