## 1,4-BUTANEDIOL

## PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

CAS NO. 110-63-4
EINECS NO. 203-786-5
FORMULA HO(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>OH

MOL WT. 90.12 H.S. CODE 29053.90

TOXICITY

SYNONYMS 1,4-Butylene glycol; 1,4-Tetramethylene glycol;

Tetramethylene glycol; 1,4-Dihydroxybutane; Butane-1,4-diol; Butanediol; 1,4-BD; Tetramethylene-1,4-diol;

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DERIVATION

CLASSIFICATION DIOLS

## PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL STATE clear viscous liquid

MELTING POINT 19 - 20 C
BOILING POINT 228 - 230 C
SPECIFIC GRAVITY 1.017
SOLUBILITY IN WATER Soluble

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VAPOR DENSITY 3.1

AUTOIGNITION

NFPA RATINGS Health: 1; Flammability: 1; Reactivity: 0

REFRACTIVE INDEX

FLASH POINT 121 C

STABILITY Stable under ordinary conditions

## **APPLICATIONS**

Alcohols are very weak acids as they lose H+ in the hydroxyl group. Alcohols undergoes dehydration reaction which means the elimination of water molecule replaced by a pi bond between two adjacent carbon atoms to form alkenes under heating in the presence of strong acids like hydrocloric acid or phosphoric acid. Primary and secondary alcohols can be oxidized to aldehydes and ketones respectively. Carboxylic acids are obtained from oxidation of aldehydes. Oxidation in organic chemistry can be considered to be the loss of hydrogen or gain of oxygen and reduction to gain hydrogen or loss of oxygen. Tertiary alcohols do not react to give oxidation products as they have no H attached to the alcohol carbon. Alcohols undergoes important reactions called nucleophilic substitution in which an electron donor replaces a leaving group, generally conjugate bases of strong acids, as a covalent substitute of some atom. One of important reaction of alcohol is condensation. Ethers are formed by the condensation of two alcohols by heating with sulfuric acid; the reaction is one of dehydration. Almost infinite esters are formed through condensation reaction called esterification between carboxylic acid and alcohol, which produces water. Alcohols are important solvents and chemical raw materials. Alcohols are intermediates for the production of target compounds, such as pharmaceuticals, veterinary medicines, plasticizers, surfactants, lubricants, ore floatation agents, pesticides, hydraulic fluids, and detergents.

1,4-Butanediol is produced based on the method of reacting acetylene with formaldehyde (Reppe process). Lyondell's feedstock is propylene oxide. Most end use applications, such as spandex fibers and engineering plastics, are maturing. But as the industry shifts from the acetylene-based Reppe process to cheaper routes based on propylene, butadiene or butane, better process economics

should improve operating margins, they are still growing faster. 1,4-Butanediol is used in as a solvent and in coatings. It is used as a raw material to produce tetrahydrofuran (THF), polybutylene terephthalate (PBT) resins, gamma-butyrolactone (GBL), polyurethanes and other target compounds and pharmaceuticals

SALES SPECIFICATION	
APPEARANCE	clear viscous liquid
PURITY	99.5% min
MELTING POINT	19 - 20 C
PEROXIDE CONTENT	20ppm max
COLOR, APHA	10 max
WATER	0.05% max
TRANSPORTATION	
PACKING	200kgs in Drum
HAZARD CLASS	
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OTHER INFORMATION

Hazard Symbols: XN N, Risk Phrases: 22, Safety Phrases: 24/25