

## **4. CHEMICAL AND PHYSICAL INFORMATION**

### **4.1 CHEMICAL IDENTITY**

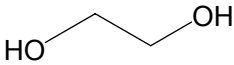
Information regarding the chemical identity of ethylene glycol is located in Table 4-1. This information includes synonyms, chemical formula and structure, and identification numbers.

### **4.2 PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Information regarding the physical and chemical properties of ethylene glycol is located in Table 4-2.

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**Table 4-1. Chemical Identity of Ethylene Glycol<sup>a</sup>**

Characteristic	Information
Chemical name	Ethylene glycol
Synonyms and trade names	1,2-Dihydroxyethane; 1,2-ethandiol; 1,2-ethane-diol; 2-hydroxyethanol; ethylene alcohol; ethylene dihydrate; glycol; monoethylene glycol; MEG; Lutrol-9; Dowtherm Sr 1; Fridex; Norkool; Ramp; Tescol; Ucar 17
Chemical formula	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>
Chemical structure	 <chem>OCCO</chem>
Identification numbers:	
CAS registry	107-21-1
NIOSH RTECS	KW2975000 <sup>b</sup>
EPA hazardous waste	No data
DOT/UN/NA/IMDG shipping	No data
HSDB	5012
NCI	C00920

<sup>a</sup>All information obtained from HSDB 2007 except where noted.

<sup>b</sup>RTECS 2007

CAS = Chemical Abstracts Service; DOT/UN/NA/IMDG = Department of Transportation/United Nations/North America/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code; EPA = Environmental Protection Agency; HSDB = Hazardous Substances Data Bank; NCI = National Cancer Institute; NIOSH = National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health; RTECS = Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances

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**Table 4-2. Physical and Chemical Properties of Ethylene Glycol<sup>a</sup>**

Property	Ethylene glycol
Molecular weight	62.07
Color	Clear, colorless <sup>b</sup>
Physical state	Liquid <sup>b</sup>
Melting point	-12.69 °C <sup>c</sup>
Boiling point	197.3 °C <sup>c</sup>
Density:	
at 20 °C (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.1135 <sup>d</sup>
Vapor density	2.14 (air=1)
Odor	Odorless
Odor threshold	No data
Solubility:	
Water at 20 °C	Miscible with water
Organic solvent(s)	Soluble in lower aliphatic alcohols, glycerol, acetic acid, acetone; slightly soluble in ether; practically insoluble in benzene, chlorinated hydrocarbons, petroleum ether, oils.
Partition coefficients:	
Log K <sub>ow</sub>	-1.36 <sup>e</sup>
K <sub>oc</sub>	1 (estimated)
Vapor pressure at 25 °C	0.089 mm Hg (extrapolated) <sup>f</sup>
Henry's law constant at 25 °C	6x10 <sup>-8</sup> atm-m <sup>3</sup> /mole <sup>g</sup>
Autoignition temperature	398 °C
Flashpoint	127 °C <sup>h</sup>
Explosive limits	3.20–53% <sup>i</sup>
Conversion factors	1 ppm = 2.58 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> = 0.39 ppm

<sup>a</sup>All information obtained from HSDB 2007, except where noted.

<sup>b</sup>Lewis 2001

<sup>c</sup>Lide 2005

<sup>d</sup>O'Neil et al. 2001

<sup>e</sup>Hansch et al. 1995

<sup>f</sup>AIChE 1995

<sup>g</sup>Hine and Mookerjee 1975

<sup>h</sup>Forkner et al. 2004

<sup>i</sup>Rebsdatt and Mayer 2005