# Material Safety Data Sheet

## 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name**  
BENJAMIN MOORE PRE-STAINER ALKYD PRIMER

**Product Code**  
365

**Product Class**  
SOLVENT THINNED PAINT

**Color**  
All

**Manufacturer**  
Benjamin Moore & Co.  
101 Paragon Drive  
Montvale, NJ 07645  
Phone: 201-573-9600  
www.benjaminmoore.com

**Emergency Telephone Number(s)**  
CHEMTREC: 800-424-9300

## 2. COMPOSITION INFORMATION ON COMPONENTS

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<tr>
<th>Chemical Name</th>
<th>CAS-No</th>
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<td>Ethyl benzene</td>
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## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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Emergency Overview

WARNING

Vapors may be irritating to eyes, nose, throat, and lungs. May cause skin irritation and/or dermatitis. Combustible material. 

Rags, steel wool or waste soaked with this product may spontaneously catch fire if improperly discarded.

OSHA Regulatory Status

This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

Potential Health Effects

Principal Routes of Exposure

Eye contact, skin contact and inhalation.

Acute Effects

- **Eyes**: Contact with eyes may cause irritation.
- **Skin**: May cause skin irritation and/or dermatitis.
- **Inhalation**: High vapor / aerosol concentrations are irritating to the eyes, nose, throat and lungs and may cause headaches, dizziness, drowsiness, unconsciousness, and other central nervous system effects.
- **Ingestion**: Ingestion may cause irritation to mucous membranes. Small amounts of this product aspirated into the respiratory system during ingestion or vomiting may cause mild to severe pulmonary injury, possibly progressing to death.

Chronic Effects

Avoid repeated exposure

Contains: Crystalline Silica which has been determined to be carcinogenic to humans by IARC (1) when in respirable form. Risk of cancer depends on duration and level of inhalation exposure to spray mist or dust from sanding the dried paint.

See Section 11 for additional Toxicological information.

Aggravated Medical Conditions

None known

| HMIS | Health: 1* | Flammability: 2 | Reactivity: 0 | PPE: - |

HMIS Legend

0 - Minimal Hazard
1 - Slight Hazard
2 - Moderate Hazard
3 - Serious Hazard
4 - Severe Hazard
* - Chronic Hazard
X - Consult your supervisor or S.O.P. for "Special" handling instructions.

Note: The PPE rating has intentionally been left blank. Choose appropriate PPE that will protect employees from the hazards the material will present under the actual normal conditions of use.

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4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General Advice  If symptoms persist, call a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

Eye Contact  Immediately flush with plenty of water. After initial flushing, remove any contact lenses and continue flushing for at least 15 minutes. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. If symptoms persist, call a physician.

Skin Contact  Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.

Inhalation  Move to fresh air. If symptoms persist, call a physician. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Call a physician immediately.

Ingestion  Clean mouth with water and afterwards drink plenty of water. Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Consult a physician.

Notes To Physician  Treat symptomatically

Protection Of First-Aiders  Use personal protective equipment

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable Extinguishing Media  Foam, dry powder or water. Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Protective Equipment And Precautions For Firefighters  As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

Specific Hazards Arising From The Chemical  Combustible material. Closed containers may rupture if exposed to fire or extreme heat. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

Sensitivity To Mechanical Impact  No

Sensitivity To Static Discharge  Yes

Flash Point Data

| Flash Point (°F) | 104 |
| Flash Point (°C) | 40 |
| Flash Point Method | PMCC |

Flammability Limits In Air

| Lower Explosion Limit | Not available |
| Upper Explosion Limit | Not available |
6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions
Use personal protective equipment. Remove all sources of ignition.

Environmental Precautions
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

Methods For Clean-Up
Dam up. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Pick up and transfer to properly labeled containers. Clean contaminated surface thoroughly.

Other Information
None known

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling
Use only in area provided with appropriate exhaust ventilation. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Wear personal protective equipment. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

Storage
Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat. Keep in properly labeled containers.

DANGER - Rags, steel wool or waste soaked with this product may spontaneously catch fire if improperly discarded. Immediately after use, place rags, steel wool or waste in a sealed water-filled metal container.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Limits

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<td>N/E</td>
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<td>5 mg/m³ - TWA</td>
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<td>5 mg/m³ - TWA (nuisance dust)</td>
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<td>N/E</td>
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<td>Titanium dioxide</td>
<td>10 mg/m³ - TWA</td>
<td>15 mg/m³ - TWA total</td>
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<td>Stoddard solvent</td>
<td>100 ppm - TWA</td>
<td>N/E - (80)(% SiO2) mg/m³ TWA</td>
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<td>Diatomaceous earth</td>
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<td>- (20)(% SiO₂ + 5) mppcf TWA</td>
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<td>Hydrotreated heavy naphtha, petroleum</td>
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<td>respirable - (10)(% SiO₂ + 2) mg/m³ TWA</td>
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<td>Silica, crystalline</td>
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<td>respirable - (250)(% SiO₂ + 5) mppcf TWA</td>
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<td>3.5 mg/m³ - TWA</td>
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<td>20 ppm - TWA</td>
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<td>435 mg/m³ - TWA</td>
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Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists Exposure Limits
OSHA - Occupational Safety & Health Administration Exposure Limits
N/E - Not Established

Engineering Measures

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/Face Protection
Safety glasses with side-shields. If splashes are likely to occur, wear:. Goggles.

Skin Protection
Long sleeved clothing. Protective gloves.

Respiratory Protection
In operations where exposure limits are exceeded, use a NIOSH approved respirator that has been selected by a technically qualified person for the specific work conditions. When spraying the product or applying in confined areas, wear a NIOSH approved respirator specified for paint spray or organic vapors.

Hygiene Measures

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Wash thoroughly after handling. When using do not eat, drink or smoke.

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**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

**Chemical Stability**

Stable under normal conditions. Hazardous polymerisation does not occur.

**Conditions To Avoid**

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces, static electricity and sources of ignition.

**Incompatible Materials**

Incompatible with strong acids and bases and strong oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

**Possibility Of Hazardous Reactions**

None under normal conditions of use.

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Acute Toxicity**

**Product**

Repeated or prolonged exposure to organic solvents may lead to permanent brain and nervous system damage. Intentional misuse by deliberately concentrating and inhaling vapors may be harmful or fatal.

**Component**

- **Limestone**
  - LD50 Oral: 6,450 mg/kg (Rat) vendor data
  - Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

- **Nepheline syenite**
  - Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

- **Distillates, petroleum, hydrotreated light**
  - LD50 Oral: > 5,000 mg/kg (Rat)
  - LD50 Dermal: > 3,000 mg/kg (Rabbit)

- **Titanium dioxide**
  - LD50 Oral: > 10000 mg/kg (Rat)
  - LD50 Dermal: > 10000 mg/m³ (Rabbit)
  - LC50 Inhalation (Dust): > 6.82 mg/L (Rat, 4 hr.)

- **Stoddard solvent**
  - LD50 Oral: > 5,000 mg/kg (Rat)
  - LD50 Dermal: > 3160 mg/kg (Rabbit)
Chronic Toxicity

Carcinogenicity
The information below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen:

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<td>2B - Possible Human Carcinogen</td>
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<td>A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen</td>
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<td>A3 - Confirmed Animal Carcinogen with Unknown Relevance to Humans</td>
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- Crystalline Silica has been determined to be carcinogenic to humans by IARC (1) when in respirable form. Risk of cancer depends on duration and level of inhalation exposure to spray mist or dust from sanding the dried paint.
- Although IARC has classified titanium dioxide as possibly carcinogenic to humans (2B), their summary concludes: "No significant exposure to titanium dioxide is thought to occur during the use of products in which titanium dioxide is bound to other materials, such as paint."

Legend
ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer
NTP - National Toxicity Program
OSHA - Occupational Safety & Health Administration

LD50 Oral: > 5,000 mg/kg (Rat)  vendor data
LD50 Dermal: > 3,000 mg/kg  (Rabbit)

LD50 Oral: 3500 mg/kg (Rat)
LD50 Dermal: > 5,000 mg/kg  (Rabbit)

LC50 Inhalation (Vapor): 6.1 mg/L (Rat)
LC50 Inhalation (Vapor): 55000 mg/m³ (Rat, 2 hr.)
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.
12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity Effects

Product
Acute Toxicity to Fish
No information available

Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates
No information available

Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Plants
No information available

Component
Acute Toxicity to Fish
Titanium dioxide
LC50: >1000 mg/L (Fathead Minnow - 96 hr.)

Ethyl benzene
LC50: 12.1 mg/L (Fathead Minnow - 96 hr.)

Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Invertebrates
Ethyl benzene
EC50: 1.8 mg/L (Daphnia magna - 48 hr.)

Acute Toxicity to Aquatic Plants
Ethyl benzene
EC50: 4.6 mg/L (Green algae (Scenedesmus subspicatus), 72 hrs.)

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal Method
Dispose of in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations. Local requirements may vary, consult your sanitation department or state-designated environmental protection agency for more disposal options.

Empty Container Warning
Emptied containers may retain product residue. Follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Residual vapors may explode on ignition; do not cut, drill, grind or weld on or near the container.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION
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DOT

Proper Shipping Name: Paint
Hazard Class: 3
UN-No: UN1263
Packing Group: III

In the US this material may be reclassified as a Combustible Liquid and is not regulated in containers of less than 119 gallons (450 liters) via surface transportation (refer to 49CFR173.120(b)(2) for further information).

ICAO / IATA

Contact the preparer for further information.

IMDG / IMO

Contact the preparer for further information.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

International Inventories

United States TSCA: Yes - All components are listed or exempt.
Canada DSL: No - Not all of the components are listed. One or more component is listed on NDSL.

Federal Regulations

SARA 311/312 hazardous categorization

Acute Health Hazard: Yes
Chronic Health Hazard: Yes
Fire Hazard: Yes
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard: No
Reactive Hazard: No

SARA 313

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product contains a chemical or chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372:

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This product may contain trace amounts of (other) SARA reportable chemicals. Contact the preparer for further information.

Clean Air Act, Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) (see 40 CFR 61)

This product contains the following HAPs:
State Regulations

California Proposition 65

This product may contain small amounts of materials known to the state of California to cause cancer or reproductive harm.

State Right-to-Know

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<th>Pennsylvania</th>
<th>Louisiana</th>
<th>Rhode Island</th>
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X - Listed

16. OTHER INFORMATION

WARNING! If you scrape, sand, or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-424-LEAD or log on to www.epa.gov/lead.

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