1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: BENWOOD FAST DRY CLEAR VARNISH  
Product Code: 419  
Product Class: FINISH COATING  
Color: Clear

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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3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

**DANGER**  
Vapors may be irritating to eyes, nose, throat, and lungs. May cause skin irritation and/or dermatitis. Flammable.

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

Appearance: liquid  
Odor: solvent

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.

*See Section 11 for additional Toxicological information.*

Aggravated Medical Conditions  
None known

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**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.*

**Caution:** HMIS® ratings are based on a 0-4 rating scale, with 0 representing minimal hazards or risks, and 4 representing significant hazards or risks. Although HMIS® ratings are not required on MSDSs under 29 CFR 1910.1200, the preparer, has chosen to provide them. HMIS® ratings are to be used only in conjunction with a fully implemented HMIS® program by workers who have received appropriate HMIS® training. HMIS® is a registered trade and service mark of the NPCA. HMIS® materials may be purchased exclusively from J. J. Keller (800) 327-6868.

### 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**
Flammable. 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**

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**NFPA**

- **Health:** 1
- **Flammability:** 3
- **Instability:** 0
- **Special:** Not Applicable

**NFPA Legend**

0 - Not Hazardous
1 - Slightly
2 - Moderate
3 - High
4 - Severe

*The ratings assigned are only suggested ratings, the contractor/employer has ultimate responsibilities for NFPA ratings where this system is used.*

*Additional information regarding the NFPA rating system is available from the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) at www.nfpa.org.*

### 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

Hazardous Components

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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

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<td>Long sleeved clothing. Protective gloves.</td>
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<td>Respiratory Protection</td>
<td>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.</td>
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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

Xylene
LD50 Oral: 4300 mg/kg (Rat)
LD50 Dermal: > 1700 mg/kg (Rabbit)
LC50 Inhalation (Vapor): 5000 ppm (Rat, 4 hr.)
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

Silica, amorphous
LD50 Oral: > 10000 mg/kg (Rat)
LD50 Dermal: 2,000 mg/kg (Rabbit)
LC50 Inhalation (Dust): > 2 mg/L

Ethyl benzene
LD50 Oral: 3500 mg/kg (Rat)
LD50 Dermal: > 5000 mg/kg (Rabbit)
LC50 Inhalation (Vapor): 55000 mg/m³ (Rat, 2 hr.)
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

Chronic Toxicity

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

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- Cobalt and cobalt compounds are listed as possible human carcinogens by IARC (2B). However, there is inadequate evidence of the carcinogenicity of cobalt and cobalt compounds in humans.

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

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION
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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
Xylene
LC50: 13.5 mg/L (Rainbow Trout - 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.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT
Proper Shipping Name: Paint (Mixture)
Hazard Class: 3
UN-No: UN1263
Packing Group: II

ICAO / IATA
Contact the preparer for further information.
14. TRANSPORT 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
Yes - All components are listed or exempt.

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