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## Windshield Washer Fluid Product Data Sheet

Houghton Chemical blends and packages windshield washer antifreeze in drums. We sell it in three ways: Concentrate 92%, Concentrate 72%, Pre-mixed 37%.

The recommended percentage of methanol in pre-mixed windshield wash is 37% which yields a freeze point of -20<sup>0</sup>F.

For health and safety information for this product, contact Houghton for a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

## Windshield Washer Fluid **Typical Properties by Concentration** Conc. 92% 37% Conc. 72% **Typical Properties** Item #0721 Item #0531 Item #0728 Methanol (wt%) 89 63 31 Performance Additives and Water 37 11 69 Color Blue Blue Blue Clarity Clear Clear Clear Specific Gravity (15/15°C 60/60°F) 0.790-0.840 0.860-0.890 0.940-0.956 Freeze Point (~<sup>0</sup>F) -165 -150 -20 Flash Point (~<sup>0</sup>F) 50 63 93 Foam Test Pass Pass Pass

## Two drums of 92% concentrate yields five drums of pre-mix with a freeze point at –20 degrees F. Two drums of 72% concentrate yield four drums of pre-mix at –20 degrees F.

**Cautionary Information:** Methanol, the major component of Windshield Washer, is hazardous. If you are planning to use a Methanol product be certain you are aware of the dangers associated with its use.

- 1. Carefully read the Material Safety Data Sheet for
- 2. Methanol vapor from aqueous solutions greater than 26% are harmful if inhaled.
- 3. Note that Methanol is flammable and it may be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed.
- 4. Methanol has one of the broadest explosive ranges when compared to other flammable liquids making it very dangerous.
- 5. Methanol, when taken by mouth, poses a serious threat to health. One to four ounces has been known to cause fatalities.
- 6. Inhalation of Methanol vapors or absorption through skin may have serious health effects.
- 7. Methanol can cause poisoning, systemic acidosis, optic nerve damage and central nervous system effects. Methanol can degrease the skin, which may cause dermatitis or worse.

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