ETHYL ALCOHOL VS. ETHANOL: IT MATTERS IN CHEMTRACKER

ChemTracker contains options for entering linked records for various ethanol products. There are two approaches to entering them successfully: using the CAS number, or the chemical name, ethyl alcohol, as the starting point.

1. Using the CAS# 64-17-5 is quick and simple. Type “64-17-5” in the CAS Number field of the Add Inventory window. Choose the only option listed in the drop-down menu. Continue processing container entry as usual.

2. Choosing to enter the record using the chemical name will provide the opportunity for additional descriptive details. In the View Inventory window, type “ethyl alcohol” in the Chemical Name field. Do not use “ethanol”. If you don’t see an acceptable name, continue typing “pure” or “absolute”. See next 3 screenshots:
If you still don’t see an acceptable name, the following entries will show different drop-down menu choices:

- Absolute alcohol
- Absolute ethanol
- Alcohol 200 proof
- Ethanol 190 proof
- Ethanol anhydrous
- Ethyl alcohol anhydrous
- Ethyl alcohol 150 proof
- Ethyl alcohol anhydrous 200 proof
- Reagent alcohol
- Denatured alcohol

Select the best choice for your chemical and continue processing the container entry as usual.