

Safety Data Sheet

Sodium Hydroxide

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Sodium Hydroxide

Synonyms/Generic Names: Caustic Soda

SDS Number: 666.00

Product Use: For Educational Use Only

Manufacturer: Columbus Chemical Industries, Inc.

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

OSHA Hazards: Corrosive

Target Organs: None **Signal Word:** Danger

Pictograms:



GHS Classification:

Skin corrosion Category 1	
Serious eye damage	Category 1
Acute aquatic toxicity	Category 3

GHS Label Elements, including precautionary statements:

Hazard Statements:

H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H402	Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary Statements:

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P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove con		IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact	
		lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.	
	P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.	

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Potential Health Effects

Eyes	Causes eye irritation.
Inhalation	May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
Skin	May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.

NFPA Ratings

Health	3
Flammability	0
Reactivity	3
Specific hazard	Not Available

HMIS Ratings

Health	3
Fire	0
Reactivity	3
Personal	J

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component	Weight %	CAS#	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Sodium Hydroxide	100	1310-73-2	215-185-5	NaOH	40.00 g/mol

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Eyes	Immediately rinse with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and seek medical attention immediately.
Inhalation	Move casualty to fresh air and keep at rest. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not
	breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention immediately.
Skin	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated
	clothing and wash using soap. Get medical attention immediately.
Ingestion	Do Not Induce Vomiting! Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If
	conscious, wash out mouth with water. Get medical attention immediately.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable (and unsuitable) Product is not flammable. Use appropriate media for adjacent fire	
extinguishing media	containers with water.
Special protective equipment Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protect	
and precautions for firefighters	clothing, including eye protection and boots.
Specific hazards arising from	Emits toxic fumes (sodium oxides) under fire conditions. (See also
the chemical	Stability and Reactivity section).

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment.
Environmental precautions	Prevent spillage from entering drains. Any release to the environment
	may be subject to federal/national or local reporting requirements.
Methods and materials for	Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and place
containment and cleaning up	in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Clean surfaces thoroughly with
	water to remove residual contamination. Dispose of all waste and cleanup
	materials in accordance with regulations.

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7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment. Use with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after using. Keep container closed when not in use. Avoid formation of dusts.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool, dry well ventilated area. Keep away from incompatible materials (see section 10 for incompatibilities).

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Occupational exposure controls:

Component	Exposure Limits	Basis	Entity
Sodium Hydroxide	2 mg/m ³	CEIL	ACGIH
	2 mg/m ³	PEL	OSHA
	2 mg/m ³	CEIL	NIOSH

TWA: Time Weighted Average over 8 hours of work. TLV: Threshold Limit Value over 8 hours of work.

REL: Recommended Exposure Limit PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit during x minutes. IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health WEEL: Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels

CEIL: Ceiling

Personal Protection

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Eyes	Wear chemical safety glasses or goggles.
Inhalation	Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical. If exposure levels are excessive, use an approved respirator.
Skin	Wear nitrile or rubber gloves, apron or lab coat.
Other	Not Available

Other Recommendations

Provide eyewash stations, quick-drench showers and washing facilities accessible to areas of use and handling.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance (physical state, color, etc.)	Not Available
Odor	Not Available
Odor threshold	Not Available
pH	13.5
Melting point/freezing point	323°C (613.4°F)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	1388°C (2530.4°F)
Flash point	Not Flammable
Evaporation rate	Not Available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not Flammable
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limit	Not Explosive
Vapor pressure	< 24 hPa (< 18 mmHg) at 20°C (68°F)
	4 hPa (3 mmHg) at 37°C (99°F)

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Vapor density	1.38 (Air = 1.0)
Density	2.13 (Water = 1)
Solubility (ies)	Easily soluble in cold water.
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not Available
Auto-ignition temperature	Not Available
Decomposition temperature	Not Available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability	Stable
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Will not occur.
Conditions to Avoid	Heat is evolved when solid material is dissolved in water, therefore
	cold water and caution must be used for this process.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, strong acids, organic materials.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Sodium oxides.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Skin	Not Available
Eyes	Not Available
Respiratory	Not Available
Ingestion	Not Available

Carcinogenicity

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IARC	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified
	as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
ACGIH	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.
NTP	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
OSHA	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Signs & Symptoms of Exposure

Skin	Irritation, redness, itchiness.
Eyes	Irritation, redness, watering eyes, itchiness.
Respiratory	Irritation, coughing, wheezing. Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous
	membranes and upper respiratory tract
Ingestion	Irritation, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea.

Chronic Toxicity	Not Available
Teratogenicity	Not Available
Mutagenicity	Not Available
Embryotoxicity	Not Available
Specific Target Organ Toxicity	Not Available
Reproductive Toxicity	Not Available
Respiratory/Skin Sensitization	Not Available

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Aquatic Vertebrate	LC50 - Gambusia affinis (Mosquito fish) - 125 mg/l - 96 h
Aquatic Invertebrate	Immobilization EC50 - Daphnia - 40.38 mg/l - 48 h
Terrestrial	Not Available

Persistence and Degradability	Not Available
Bioaccumulative Potential	Not Available
Mobility in Soil	Not Available
PBT and vPvB Assessment	Not Available
Other Adverse Effects	Harmful to aquatic life.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Residues	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary before disposing of waste products or residues.
Product	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or
Containers	local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary
	before disposing of waste product container.

The information offered in section 13 is for the product as shipped. Use and/or alterations to the product may significantly change the characteristics of the material and alter the waste classification and proper disposal methods.

14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

US DOT	UN1823, Sodium hydroxide, solid, 8, pg II
TDG	UN1823, Sodium hydroxide, solid, 8, pg II
IMDG	UN1823, Sodium hydroxide, solid, 8, pg II
Marine Pollutant	No
IATA/ICAO	UN1823, Sodium hydroxide, solid, 8, pg II

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA Inventory Status	All ingredients are listed on the TSCA inventory.
DSCL (EEC)	All ingredients are listed on the DSCL inventory.
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
SARA 302	Not Listed
SARA 304	Not Listed
SARA 311	Sodium hydroxide
SARA 312	Sodium hydroxide
SARA 313	Not Listed
WHMIS Canada	Class E: Corrosive solid.

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16. OTHER INFORMATION

Revision	Date
Revision 1	02/05/2013

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