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# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

# 1. Identification

Product identifier: Sodium Hydroxide, 50% Solution

Other means of identification

Product No.: 7706, 3735, 3730, 3725, 3719, 3727, 7705, 0897, 0339

Recommended use and restriction on use

Recommended use: Not available. Restrictions on use: Not known.

## Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

Manufacturer

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**Emergency telephone number:** 

24 Hour Emergency: 908-859-2151

Chemtrec: 800-424-9300

# 2. Hazard(s) identification

## Hazard classification

#### Physical hazards

Corrosive to metals Category 1

**Health hazards** 

Skin corrosion/irritation Category 1A
Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity - single Category 3

exposure

## **Environmental hazards**

Acute hazards to the aquatic Category 3 environment

Label elements

**Hazard symbol:** 



Signal word:

Danger



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**Hazard statement:** May be corrosive to metals.

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

May cause respiratory irritation.

Harmful to aquatic life.

## **Precautionary statement**

**Prevention:** Keep only in original container. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not

breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Use only outdoors or in a well-

ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye

protection/face protection.

Response: Absorb spillage to prevent material damage. IF SWALLOWED: Rinse

mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON

CENTER or doctor/physician.

**Storage:** Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner. Store

locked up. Keep container tightly closed. Store in a well-ventilated place.

**Disposal:** Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal

facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product

characteristics at time of disposal.

Other hazards which do not result in GHS classification:

None.

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

## **Mixtures**

Chemical identity	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	Content in percent (%)*
SODIUM HYDROXIDE		1310-73-2	40 - 60%

<sup>\*</sup> All concentrations are percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

#### 4. First-aid measures

**General information:** Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. Show this safety data sheet

to the doctor in attendance.

**Ingestion:** Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Do NOT induce

vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't

get into the lungs.

**Inhalation:** Move to fresh air. If breathing stops, provide artificial respiration. If

breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Call a physician or poison control center

immediately.

Skin contact: Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while

removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Destroy or thoroughly clean contaminated shoes.



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Eye contact: Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If easy to do,

remove contact lenses. Call a physician or poison control center

immediately.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Symptoms: Corrosive to skin and eyes. Respiratory tract irritation.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treatment: Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

5. Fire-fighting measures

General fire hazards: No data available.

Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing

media:

The product is non-combustible. Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate

for surrounding materials.

Unsuitable extinguishing

media:

None known.

Specific hazards arising from

the chemical:

Product is highly caustic. Wear appropriate protective gear if spilled during

fire fighting. Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Special fire fighting

procedures:

Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Use water

spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

Special protective equipment

for fire-fighters:

Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in

enclosed spaces, SCBA.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and

emergency procedures:

Put on protective equipment before entering danger area. See Section 8 of the MSDS for Personal Protective Equipment. Keep unauthorized personnel away. Keep upwind. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing

appropriate protective clothing.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning

up:

Neutralize spill area and washings with dilute acetic acid. Absorb spill with vermiculite or other inert material, then place in a container for chemical waste. Collect in a non-combustible container for prompt disposal. Dike far

ahead of larger spill for later recovery and disposal.

**Notification Procedures:** Dike for later disposal. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or

confined areas. Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk.

**Environmental precautions:** Do not contaminate water sources or sewer. Prevent further leakage or

spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto

the ground.



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# 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling: Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid breathing mists or

vapors. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Do not taste or swallow. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using the product. See Section 8 of the MSDS for Personal Protective

Equipment.

Conditions for safe storage,

including any incompatibilities:

Do not store in metal containers. Keep container tightly closed. Store in a

well-ventilated place. Store in a dry place.

# 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

## **Control parameters**

Occupational exposure limits

Chemical identity	Туре	Exposure Limit values	Source
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	Ceiling	2 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (2011)
	Ceil_Time	2 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2010)
	PEL	2 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	Ceiling	2 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) (1989)

Appropriate engineering

controls

No data available.

# Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

**General information:** Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used.

Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an

acceptable level.

**Eye/face protection:** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) and a face shield.

Skin protection

**Hand protection:** Chemical resistant gloves

**Other:** Wear suitable protective clothing.

**Respiratory protection:** In case of inadequate ventilation use suitable respirator.

Hygiene measures: Provide eyewash station and safety shower. Always observe good personal

hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and

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protective equipment to remove contaminants.

# 9. Physical and chemical properties

#### **Appearance**

Physical state: Liquid
Form: Liquid
Color: Colorless
Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH: 14



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Melting point/freezing point: 12 °C Initial boiling point and boiling range: 140 °C

Flash Point:

Evaporation rate:

No data available.

Flammability (solid, gas):

No data available.

Upper/lower limit on flammability or explosive limits

Flammability limit - upper (%):

Flammability limit - lower (%):

Explosive limit - upper (%):

Explosive limit - lower (%):

Vapor pressure:

Vapor density:

Relative density:

No data available.

Solubility(ies)

Solubility in water:
Solubility (other):
No data available.
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):
No data available.
Auto-ignition temperature:
No data available.
Decomposition temperature:
No data available.
Viscosity:
No data available.

# 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactivity:** Reacts violently with strong acids.

Chemical stability: Material is stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous

reactions:

Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Conditions to avoid: Avoid contact with oxidizing agents. Reacts violently with strong acids.

**Incompatible materials:** Oxidizing agents. Acids. Maleic Anhydride Halogens. Nitromethane.

Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas.

Hazardous decomposition

products:

Sodium oxides

# 11. Toxicological information

#### Information on likely routes of exposure

**Ingestion:** May cause burns of the gastrointestinal tract if swallowed.

**Inhalation:** May cause damage to mucous membranes in nose, throat, lungs and

bronchial system.

**Skin contact:** Causes severe skin burns.

**Eye contact:** Causes serious eye damage.

#### Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (list all possible routes of exposure)

Oral

**Product:** No data available.

Dermal



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**Product:** 

No data available.

Inhalation

**Product:** No data available.

Repeated dose toxicity

**Product:** No data available.

Skin corrosion/irritation

**Product:** Causes severe skin burns.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

**Product:** Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

**Product:** Not a skin sensitizer.

Carcinogenicity

**Product:** This substance has no evidence of carcinogenic properties.

IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans:

No carcinogenic components identified

**US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens:** 

No carcinogenic components identified

US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050):

No carcinogenic components identified

Germ cell mutagenicity

In vitro

**Product:** No mutagenic components identified

In vivo

**Product:** No mutagenic components identified

Reproductive toxicity

**Product:** No components toxic to reproduction

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

**Product:** Respiratory tract irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

**Product:** None known.

**Aspiration hazard** 

Product: Not classified

Other effects: None known.

# 12. Ecological information

# **Ecotoxicity:**

#### Acute hazards to the aquatic environment:

Fish

**Product:** No data available.

Specified substance(s):

SODIUM HYDROXIDE LC 50 (Western mosquitofish (Gambusia affinis), 96 h): 125 mg/l Mortality



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**Aquatic invertebrates** 

**Product:** No data available.

Chronic hazards to the aquatic environment:

Fish

**Product:** No data available.

**Aquatic invertebrates** 

**Product:** No data available.

**Toxicity to Aquatic Plants** 

**Product:** No data available.

Persistence and degradability

Biodegradation

**Product:** Expected to be readily biodegradable.

**BOD/COD** ratio

**Product:** No data available.

Bioaccumulative potential

**Bioconcentration factor (BCF)** 

**Product:** No data available on bioaccumulation.

Partition coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow)
Product:
No data available.

**Mobility in soil:** The product is water soluble and may spread in water systems.

Other adverse effects: Harmful to aquatic organisms. The product may affect the acidity (pH-factor)

in water with risk of harmful effects to aquatic organisms.

13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal instructions:** Discharge, treatment, or disposal may be subject to national, state, or local

laws.

**Contaminated packaging:** Since emptied containers retain product residue, follow label warnings even

after container is emptied.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN number: UN 1824

UN proper shipping name: Sodium hydroxide solution

Transport hazard class(es)

Class(es): 8
Label(s): 8
Packing group: II
Marine Pollutant: No



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Packing group: II

# 15. Regulatory information

#### **US federal regulations**

## TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

#### **CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4):**

SODIUM HYDROXIDE Reportable quantity: 1000 lbs.

## Superfund amendments and reauthorization act of 1986 (SARA)

#### **Hazard categories**

X Acute (Immediate) Chronic (Delayed) Fire Reactive Pressure Generating

## SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

# SARA 304 Emergency release notification

Chemical identityRQSODIUM HYDROXIDE1000 lbs.

#### SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical

 Chemical identity
 Threshold Planning Quantity

 SODIUM HYDROXIDE
 500 lbs

#### SARA 313 (TRI reporting)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

# Clean Water Act Section 311 Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 117.3)

SODIUM HYDROXIDE Reportable quantity: 1000 lbs.

# Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130):

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

# **US state regulations**

# **US. California Proposition 65**

No ingredient regulated by CA Prop 65 present.



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## US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

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#### **US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List**

SODIUM HYDROXIDE Listed

# US. Pennsylvania RTK - Hazardous Substances

SODIUM HYDROXIDE Listed

**US. Rhode Island RTK** 

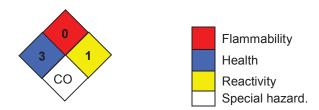
SODIUM HYDROXIDE Listed

# **Inventory Status:**

Australia AICS: On or in compliance with the inventory Canada DSL Inventory List: On or in compliance with the inventory **EU EINECS List:** On or in compliance with the inventory Not in compliance with the inventory. **EU ELINCS List:** Japan (ENCS) List: On or in compliance with the inventory EU No Longer Polymers List: Not in compliance with the inventory. China Inv. Existing Chemical Substances: On or in compliance with the inventory Korea Existing Chemicals Inv. (KECI): On or in compliance with the inventory Canada NDSL Inventory: Not in compliance with the inventory. Philippines PICCS: On or in compliance with the inventory US TSCA Inventory: On or in compliance with the inventory New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals: On or in compliance with the inventory Switzerland Consolidated Inventory: Not in compliance with the inventory. Japan ISHL Listing: Not in compliance with the inventory. Japan Pharmacopoeia Listing: Not in compliance with the inventory.

# 16.Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

## **NFPA Hazard ID**



Hazard rating: 0 - Minimal; 1 - Slight; 2 - Moderate; 3 - Serious; 4 - Severe

COR: Corrosive

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