

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Sodium hydroxide

Cat No.: \$320-1, \$320-3, \$320-10, \$320-50, \$320-500, \$612-3; \$612-50;

S612-500LB; S612-3500LB;

CAS-No 1310-73-2

Synonyms Caustic soda; Lye (Pellets/Granular/Beads/NF/FCC/EP/BP/JP/Certified ACS)

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against

Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

Fisher Scientific One Reagent Lane Fair Lawn, NJ 07410 Tel: (201) 796-7100

Emergency Telephone Number

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Corrosive to metals

Skin Corrosion/irritation

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

Category 1

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Category 3

Target Organs - Respiratory system.

Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

May be corrosive to metals Causes severe skin burns and eye damage May cause respiratory irritation



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

Keep only in original container

Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

Skin

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

Eyes

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing **Ingestion**

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting

Spills

Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

Storage

Store locked up

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

Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner

Store in a dry place

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Other hazards

Water reactive.

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	> 95
Sodium carbonate	497-19-8	< 3

4. First-aid measures

Eye Contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.

Immediate medical attention is required.

Skin Contact Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical

attention is required.

Inhalation Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if

victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate

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medical attention is required.

Ingestion Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

Most important symptoms and

effects

Causes burns by all exposure routes. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to

the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

Treat symptomatically Notes to Physician

Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media Carbon dioxide (CO2)

Flash Point Not applicable

No information available Method -

Autoignition Temperature

Explosion Limits

No information available

No data available Upper Lower No data available Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available Sensitivity to Static Discharge No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Water reactive. Corrosive Material. Causes severe burns by all exposure routes.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO) Carbon dioxide (CO2) Sodium oxides

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.

NFPA

Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
3	0	1	N/A

Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to

safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Avoid dust formation. Do not

get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

Environmental Precautions Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological

information.

Methods for Containment and Clean Avoid dust formation. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for Up

disposal.

7. Handling and storage

Handling Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid dust

formation. Do not breathe dust. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area. Storage

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Sodium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	(Vacated) Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	IDLH: 10 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³
		TWA: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

Engineering Measures Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers

are close to the workstation location.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye/face Protection Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by

OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard

EN166.

Skin and body protectionWear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respiratory Protection Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard

EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

Hygiene Measures Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical StateSolidAppearanceWhiteOdorOdorless

Odor Threshold No information available

14 (5 %)

Melting Point/Range 318 °C / 604.4 °F

Boiling Point/Range 1390 °C / 2534 °F @ 760 mmHg

Flash Point Not applicable

Evaporation Rate No information available Flammability (solid,gas) No information available

Flammability or explosive limits

Upper No data available
Lower No data available
Vapor Pressure 1 mmHg @ 739 °C
Vapor Density No information available

Specific Gravity 2.13

Solubility Soluble in water Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water No data available

Autoignition TemperatureNo information availableDecomposition TemperatureNo information availableViscosityNo information available

Molecular Formula NaOH Molecular Weight 40

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard None known, based on information available

Stability Water reactive. Hygroscopic.

Conditions to Avoid Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to moist air or water.

Incompatible Materials Water, Metals, Acids

Hazardous Decomposition Products Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO2), Sodium oxides

Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Hazardous Reactions None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Sodium hydroxide	Not listed	LD50 = 1350 mg/kg (Rabbit)	Not listed
Sodium carbonate	2800 mg/kg (Rat)	> 2000 mg/kg (rabbit)	2.3 mg/l 2h (Rat)

Toxicologically Synergistic

No information available

Products

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation Causes severe burns by all exposure routes

Sensitization No information available

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen. Carcinogenicity

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	Not listed				
Sodium carbonate	497-19-8	Not listed				

Mutagenic Effects Mutagenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

Reproductive Effects No information available.

No information available. **Developmental Effects**

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure Respiratory system

STOT - repeated exposure None known

No information available **Aspiration hazard**

Symptoms / effects,both acute and Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of

perforation

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

See actual entry in RTECS for complete information. **Other Adverse Effects**

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

delayed

Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Sodium hydroxide	-	LC50: = 45.4 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	-	-

	Sodium carbonate	EC50: = 242 mg/L, 120h	Lepomis macrochirus: LC50:	-	EC50: = 265 mg/L, 48h
		(Nitzschia)	300 mg/L/96h		(Daphnia magna)
			Gambusia affinis: LC50: 740		
-			mg/L/96h		

Persistence and Degradability

No information available

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility No information available.

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal Methods

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No UN1823

Proper Shipping Name Sodium hydroxide, solid

Hazard Class 8
Packing Group ||

TDG

UN-No UN1823

Proper Shipping Name SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

Hazard Class 8
Packing Group

IATA

UN-No UN1823

Proper Shipping Name SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

Hazard Class 8
Packing Group ||

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1823

Proper Shipping Name SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

Hazard Class 8
Packing Group

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Sodium hydroxide	Х	Χ	-	215-185-5	-		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
Sodium carbonate	Х	Χ	-	207-838-8	-		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ

Legend:

- X Listed
- E Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.
- F Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.
- N Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.
- P Indicates a commenced PMN substance
- R Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.
- S Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule
- T Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.
- XU Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B).
- Y1 Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.
- Y2 Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313 Not applicable

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories See section 2 for more information

CWA (Clean Water Act)

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Sodium hydroxide	Χ	1000 lb	-	-

Clean Air Act Not applicable

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Not applicable

CERCLA This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous

substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability

Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Sodium hydroxide	1000 lb	-

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

U.S. State Right-to-Know

Regulations

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Sodium hydroxide	X	X	X	-	X

U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y
DOT Marine Pollutant N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

16. Other information

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