

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

# SECTION 1) CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND SUPPLIER'S IDENTIFICATION

**CAS Number:** 1310-73-2

Product Name: Caustic soda 25% solution

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Product/Recommended Uses: For laboratory or industrial use only.

# **SECTION 2) HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

#### Classification

Skin Corrosion - Category 1

#### **Pictograms**



# Signal Word

Danger

#### **Hazard Statements - Health**

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

## **Precautionary Statements - General**

If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.

Keep out of reach of children.

Read label before use.

# **Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

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

Wash thoroughly/Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

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

## **Precautionary Statements - Response**

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

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

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor.

Specific treatment (see first-aid on the SDS).

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

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#### **Precautionary Statements - Storage**

Store locked up.

#### **Precautionary Statements - Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/national/international regulation. Waste management should be in full compliance with national, regional and local laws.

#### **Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified**

No Data Available

#### **Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified**

No Data Available

## **SECTION 3) COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

CAS	Chemical Name	% By Weight
0007732-18-5	WATER	75%
0001310-73-2	SODIUM HYDROXIDE	25%

## **SECTION 4) FIRST-AID MEASURES**

#### Inhalation

Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell or are concerned. If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Remove source of exposure or move person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If breathing is difficult, trained personnel should administer emergency oxygen if advised to do so by the POISON CENTER/doctor.

## **Eye Contact**

Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Rinse eyes cautiously with lukewarm, gently flowing water for several minutes, while holding the eyelids open. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing for a duration of 30 minutes or until medical aid is available. Take care not to rinse contaminated water into the unaffected eye or onto the face.

#### **Skin Contact**

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing, shoes and leather goods (e.g. watchbands, belts). Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If irritation persists, repeat flushing and seek medical attention. Rinse skin with lukewarm, gently flowing water/shower for a duration of 30 minutes or until medical aid is available.

## Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Give large amounts of water or milk if available and transport to medical facility. If vomiting occurs naturally, lie on your side, in the recovery position. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.

## Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Both Acute and Delayed

No Data Available

## Indication of Any Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment Needed

No Data Available

## SECTION 5) FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Small Fire: Dry chemical, foam, carbon dioxide, water-spray or alcohol-resistant foam. Carbon dioxide can displace oxygen. Use caution when applying carbon dioxide in confined spaces. Large Fire: Water spray, fog or alcohol-resistant foam.

## **Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**

Do not use straight stream of water.

# Specific Hazards in Case of Fire

Violent steam generation or eruption may occur upon application of direct water stream to hot liquids. Fire will produce irritating and corrosive gases. Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas. Non-combustible, substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive fumes.

## **Fire-fighting Procedures**

This material does not burn or support combustion. Caustic Soda can react with metals such as aluminum, tin and zinc to form hydrogen gas. At high temperatures, fuming may occur giving off strong corrosive gas, wear suitable protective equipment for this situation.

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Chemical resistant suit and self-contained breathing apparatus is required.

Isolate immediate hazard area and keep unauthorized personnel out. Move undamaged containers from immediate hazard area if it can be done safely. Stop spill/release if it can be done safely. Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out. Caution should be exercised when using water or foam as frothing may occur, especially if sprayed into containers of hot, burning liquid. Dispose of fire debris and contaminated extinguishing water in accordance with official regulations. Large Fire: Dike fire-control water for later disposal; do not scatter the material

## **Special Protective Actions**

Wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and full turnout gear. Structural firefighters' protective clothing provides limited protection in fire situations ONLY; it is not effective in spill situations where direct contact with the substance is possible.

## **SECTION 6) ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

## **Emergency Procedure**

Isolate hazard area and keep unauthorized personnel away. Stay uphill and/or upstream. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled materials unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ventilate closed spaces before entering. Evacuate and isolate hazard area and keep unauthorized personnel away.

#### **Recommended Equipment**

Wear chemical protective clothing and positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Wear liquid tight chemical protective clothing in combination with positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

## **Personal Precautions**

DO NOT get on skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid breathing vapor or mist.

#### **Environmental Precautions**

Stop spill/release if it can be done safely. Prevent spilled material from entering sewers, storm drains, other unauthorized drainage systems and natural waterways by using sand, earth, or other appropriate barriers.

## Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning up

Ventilate area after clean-up is complete. Absorb Liquids in vermiculite, dry sand, earth, or similar inert material and deposit in sealed containers for disposal.

#### **SECTION 7) HANDLING AND STORAGE**

#### General

Considerable heat is generated when diluted with water – never add water to Caustic, always add Caustic to water while agitating and never start with hot or cold water. Always wear personal protective clothing. Use with adequate ventilation. Do not breathe vapours. Product is not compatible with cloth and leather.

Wash hands after use. Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing. Do not breathe vapors or mists. Use good personal hygiene practices. Eating, drinking and smoking in work areas is prohibited. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. This product is not intended for human or animal consumption. All containers must be properly labelled. Eyewash stations and showers should be available in areas where this material is used and stored

## **Ventilation Requirements**

Use only with adequate ventilation to control air contaminants to their exposure limits. Report ventilation failures immediately. The use of local ventilation is recommended to control emissions near the source.

#### Storage Room Requirements

Store in dry, cool areas, out of direct sunlight and away from other sources of heat. Empty container retain residue and may be dangerous. Keep containers securely sealed when not in use. Protect containers against banging or other physical damage when storing, transferring, or using them. Procedures must be conducted in a fume hood, glove box, or other suitable containment device. Segregate from other hazard classes and store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, away from sources of ignition and incompatibilities. Provide secondary containment for toxic materials. Store, handle, and use corrosive materials in well-ventilated areas. Do not store on metal shelves. Store containers in plastic tubs or trays as secondary containment. Keep the smallest amount of material in work areas. Avoid rapid temperature changes in liquid storage areas. Store at temperatures above their respective freezing/melting point. Never store corrosives above eye level. Label cabinets with "TOXIC CHEMICALS" or similar warning.

# SECTION 8) EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

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## Eye protection

Wear indirect-vent, impact and splash resistant goggles when working with liquids

#### **Skin Protection**

Use of gloves approved to relevant standards made from the following materials may provide suitable chemical protection: PVC, neoprene or nitrile rubber gloves. Suitability and durability of a glove is dependent on usage, e.g. frequency and duration of contact, chemical resistance of glove material, glove thickness, dexterity. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace. Always seek advice from glove suppliers. Contaminated gloves should be replaced. Use an apron and over-boots of chemically impervious materials such as neoprene or nitrile rubber.

## **Respiratory Protection**

If engineering controls do not maintain airborne concentrations to a level which is adequate to protect worker, a respiratory protection program that meets or is equivalent to OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134 should be followed. Check with respiratory protective equipment suppliers.

## **Appropriate Engineering Controls**

Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value.

Chemical Name	CANsmg	CANsppm	CANtmg	CANtppm	OSHA STEL (mg/m3)	OSHA STEL (ppm)	OSHA TWA (mg/m3)	OSHA TWA (ppm)	OSHA Carcinogen	OSHA Tables (Z1, Z2, Z3)	OSHA Skin designation	ACGIH STEL (mg/m3)
SODIUM HYDROXIDE							2			1		C 2

Cl	nemical Name	ACGIH STEL (ppm)	ACGIH TWA (mg/m3)	ACGIH TWA (ppm)	ACGIH TLV Basis	ACGIH Carcinogen	ACGIH Notations
S	ODIUM HYDROXIDE				URT, eye, & skin irr		

<sup>(</sup>C) - Ceiling limit, irr - Irritation, URT - Upper respiratory tract

## **SECTION 9) PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

## **Physical and Chemical Properties**

Specific Gravity	1.15
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Density	9.62 lb/gal

Appearance clear colourless solution

Odor Description Odorless
Odor Threshold N/A

pH 14 (5% solution)

Melting/Freezing Point N/A
Low Boiling Point 110 °C
High Boiling Point 113 °C

Flash Point N/A - does not burn Vapor Pressure approximately zero

Vapor Density N/A

Evaporation Rate N/A - for solutions, the only evaporation that occurs is water

Upper Explosion Level N/A
Lower Explosion Level N/A

Water Solubility very soluble

Coefficient Water/Oil N/A - dissociates

Viscosity 7-10 cps (20°C)

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# **SECTION 10) STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

#### Reactivity

No Data Available

# Stability

Stable under normal storage and handling conditions.

#### **Conditions to Avoid**

Avoid contact with leather, wool, acids, and metals such as aluminum, zinc, and tin and exposure to moisture, product absorbs Carbon Dioxide from the air.

## **Hazardous Reactions/Polymerization**

Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

#### **Incompatible Materials**

Heat is generated when mixed with water. Spattering and boiling can occur. Can react violently with many organic and inorganic chemicals such as glycols, organic peroxides and strong acids.

#### **Hazardous Decomposition Products**

No Data Available

# **SECTION 11) TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

## Likely Route of Exposure

Inhalation, ingestion, skin absorption

## **Acute Toxicity**

Sodium Hydroxide(1310-73-2) Oral LD50 Rat 140-340 mg/kg; Dermal LD50 Rabbit 1350 mg/kg

#### **Aspiration Hazard**

No Data Available

# Carcinogenicity

No Data Available

## **Germ Cell Mutagenicity**

No Data Available

## **Reproductive Toxicity**

No Data Available

## Respiratory/Skin Sensitization

No Data Available

## Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

No Data Available

#### Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

## **Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure**

No Data Available

# **Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure**

No Data Available

# **SECTION 12) ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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## **Toxicity**

Sodium Hydroxide(1310-73-2)

Fish: 96 Hr LC50 Western Mosquitofish: 125 mg/L; 48 Hr LC50 Bluegill: 99 mg/L

Invertebrate: 48 hr EC50 Daphnia magna: 34.59 - 47.13 mg/L

## **Mobility in Soil**

No Data Available

# **Bio-accumulative Potential**

No Data Available

## Persistence and Degradability

No Data Available

#### Other Adverse Effects

No Data Available

# **SECTION 13) DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

## **Waste Disposal**

Empty Containers retain product residue which may exhibit hazards of material, therefore do not pressurize, cut, glaze, weld or use for any other purposes. It is the responsibility of the user of the product to determine at the time of disposal whether the product meets local criteria for hazardous waste. Waste management should be in full compliance with national, provincial and local laws.

# **SECTION 14) TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

#### **U.S. DOT Information**

UN number: UN1824

Proper shipping name: Sodium hydroxide solution

Hazard class: 8
Packaging group: II

Hazardous substance (RQ): No Data Available Toxic-Inhalation Hazard: No Data Available

Marine Pollutant: No Data Available

Note / Special Provision: No Data Available

## **Transport Canada Information**

UN number: UN1824

Proper shipping name: Sodium hydroxide solution

Hazard class: 8
Packaging group: II

Marine Pollutant: No Data Available

Transport in bulk (according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78): No Data Available

Note / Special Provision: Note / Special Provision

# **SECTION 15) REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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## **SECTION 16) OTHER INFORMATION**

## Glossary

ACGIH- American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists; ANSI- American National Standards Institute; Canadian TDG-Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods; CANsmg or CANsppm - Canadian Short Term Exposure Level in mg/L or in ppm; CANtmg or CANtppm - Canadian Time Weighted Average in mg/L or in ppm; CAS- Chemical Abstract Service; Chemtrec- Chemical Transportation Emergency Center(US); CHIP- Chemical Hazard Information and Packaging; DSL- Domestic Substances List; EC- Equivalent Concentration; EH40 (UK)- HSE Guidance Note EH40 Occupational Exposure Limits; EPCRA- Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act; ESL Effects screening levels; HMIS- Hazardous Material Information Service; LC- Lethal Concentration; LD- Lethal Dose; NFPA- National Fire Protection Association; OEL- Occupational Exposure Limits; OSHA- Occupational Safety and Health Administration, US Department of Labor; PEL- Permissible Exposure Limit; SARA (Title III)- Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; SARA 313- Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, Section 313; SCBA- Self Contained Breathing Apparatus; STEL-Short Term Exposure Limit; TCEQ Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; TLV- Threshold Limit Value; TSCA- Toxic Substances Control Act Public Law 94-469; TWA Time Weighted Value; US DOT- US Department of Transportation; WHMIS- Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System.

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