

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Sodium hydroxide

Cat No. : S320-1, S320-3, S320-10, S320-50, S320-500, S612-3; S612-50; 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 Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

Importer/Distributor
Fisher Scientific
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Ottawa, ON K2E 7L6,
Canada
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Manufacturer

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Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
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Emergency Telephone Number CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

WHMIS 2015 Classification Classified as hazardous under the Hazardous Products Regulations (SOR/2015-17)

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| Skin Corrosion/Irritation | Category 1 A |
| Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation | Category 1 |
| Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) | Category 3 |
| Target Organs - Respiratory system. | |

Label Elements

Signal Word
Danger

Hazard Statements
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
May cause respiratory irritation

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Response

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

Storage

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

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

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

4. First-aid measures

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| General Advice | Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required. |
| Eye Contact | Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. |
| Skin Contact | Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Call a physician immediately. |
| Inhalation | Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. 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. |
| Ingestion | Immediate medical attention is required. Do NOT induce vomiting. Drink plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. |
| Most important symptoms/effects | Causes burns by all exposure routes. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated |
| Notes to Physician | Treat symptomatically |

5. Fire-fighting measures

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| Suitable Extinguishing Media | Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire. CO ₂ , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam. |
| Unsuitable Extinguishing Media | Carbon dioxide (CO ₂) |
| Flash Point Method - | Not applicable No information available |
| Autoignition Temperature | No information available |
| Explosion Limits | |
| Upper | No data available |
| Lower | No data available |
| Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact | No information available |
| Sensitivity to Static Discharge | No information available |

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes.

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. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

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| Health | Flammability | Instability | Physical hazards |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | N/A |

6. Accidental release measures

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| Personal Precautions | Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. |
| Environmental Precautions | Should not be released into the environment. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. |

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

7. Handling and storage

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| Handling | Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. |
| Storage. | Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area. Store under an inert atmosphere. Protect from moisture. Incompatible Materials. Water. Metals. Acids. |

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

| Component | Alberta | British Columbia | Ontario TWAEV | Quebec | ACGIH TLV | OSHA PEL | NIOSH IDLH |
|------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|
| Sodium hydroxide | Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³ | Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³ | CEV: 2 mg/m ³ | Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³ | Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³ | (Vacated) Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³ TWA: 2 mg/m ³ | IDLH: 10 mg/m ³ Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³ |

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

Personal protective equipment**Eye Protection**

Goggles

Hand Protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

| Glove material | Breakthrough time | Glove thickness | Glove comments |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Neoprene | See manufacturers recommendations | - | Splash protection only |

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Respiratory Protection

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. 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.

To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

Recommended Filter type: Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

Environmental exposure controls

Prevent product from entering drains.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

9. Physical and chemical properties

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| Physical State | Solid |
| Appearance | White |
| Odor | Odorless |
| Odor Threshold | No information available |
| pH | 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 | Not applicable |
| 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 | Not applicable |
| Specific Gravity | 2.13 |

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| Solubility | Soluble in water |
| Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water | No data available |
| Autoignition Temperature | No information available |
| Decomposition Temperature | No information available |
| Viscosity | Not applicable |
| Molecular Formula | NaOH |
| Molecular Weight | 40 |

10. Stability and reactivity

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| 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 (CO ₂), Sodium oxides |
| Hazardous Polymerization | Hazardous polymerization does not occur. |
| Hazardous Reactions | None under normal processing. |

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Product Information

Component Information

| Component | LD50 Oral | LD50 Dermal | LC50 Inhalation |
|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Sodium hydroxide | LD50 = 325 mg/kg (Rat) | LD50 = 1350 mg/kg (Rabbit) | Not listed |
| Disodium carbonate | 2800 mg/kg (Rat) | > 2000 mg/kg (rabbit) | 2.3 mg/l 2h (Rat) |

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

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

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| Irritation | Causes severe burns by all exposure routes |
| Sensitization | No information available |
| Carcinogenicity | The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen. |

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

Mutagenic Effects Mutagenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

Reproductive Effects No information available.

Developmental Effects No information available.

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure Respiratory system

STOT - repeated exposure None known

Aspiration hazard No information available

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

delayed perforation: Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains. Contains a substance which is: Harmful to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

| Component | Freshwater Algae | Freshwater Fish | Microtox | Water Flea |
|--------------------|------------------|---|----------|---------------------------------------|
| Sodium hydroxide | - | LC50: = 45.4 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) | - | Not listed |
| Disodium carbonate | Not listed | Lepomis macrochirus: LC50: 300 mg/L/96h Gambusia affinis: LC50: 740 mg/L/96h | - | EC50: = 265 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna) |

Persistence and Degradability Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

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 II

TDG

UN-No UN1823
Proper Shipping Name SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group II

IATA

UN-No UN1823
Proper Shipping Name SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group II

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1823
Proper Shipping Name SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group II

15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: China X = listed Australia U.S.A. (TSCA) Canada (DSL/NDL) Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP) Australia (AICS) Korea (KECL) China (IECSC) Japan (ENCS) Philippines (PICCS)

International Inventories

| Component | CAS-No | DSL | NDSL | TSCA | TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive | EINECS | ELINCS | NLP |
|--------------------|-----------|-----|------|------|---|-----------|--------|-----|
| Sodium hydroxide | 1310-73-2 | X | - | X | ACTIVE | 215-185-5 | - | - |
| Disodium carbonate | 497-19-8 | X | - | X | ACTIVE | 207-838-8 | - | - |

| Component | CAS-No | IECSC | KECL | ENCS | ISHL | TCSI | AICS | NZIoC | PICCS |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|----------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Sodium hydroxide | 1310-73-2 | X | KE-31487 | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Disodium carbonate | 497-19-8 | X | KE-31380 | X | X | X | X | X | X |

Legend:

X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances**Canada**

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

Other International Regulations**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**

| Component | REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization | REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances | REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) |
|--------------------|---|---|---|
| Sodium hydroxide | - | Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details) | - |
| Disodium carbonate | - | Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details) | - |

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

| Component | CAS-No | OECD HPV | Persistent Organic Pollutant | Ozone Depletion Potential | Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) |
|--------------------|-----------|----------|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Sodium hydroxide | 1310-73-2 | Listed | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Disodium carbonate | 497-19-8 | Listed | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |

| Component | CAS-No | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification | Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements | Rotterdam Convention (PIC) | Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste) |
|--------------------|-----------|---|--|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Sodium hydroxide | 1310-73-2 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable | Annex I - Y35 |
| Disodium carbonate | 497-19-8 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |

16. Other information

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