

Safety Data Sheet

Ammonium Hydroxide, ACS Reagent

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Ammonium Hydroxide, ACS Reagent

Synonyms/Generic Names: Aqueous ammonia, Ammonia solution

Product Number: 0485

Product Use: Industrial, Manufacturing or Laboratory use

Manufacturer: Columbus Chemical Industries, Inc.
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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard Not Otherwise Classified (HNOC): Lachrymator

Signal Word: Danger

Pictograms:



GHS Classification:

Acute toxicity, Oral	Category 4
Skin corrosion	Category 1A
Serious eye damage	Category 1
Acute aquatic toxicity	Category 1

GHS Label Elements, including precautionary statements:

Hazard Statements:

H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.

Precautionary Statements:

P260	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	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/doctor/physician.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P391	Collect spillage.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.

Potential Health Effects

Eyes	Causes eye burns.
Inhalation	May be harmful if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.
Skin	May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.
Ingestion	Toxic if swallowed.

NFPA Ratings

Health	3
Flammability	0
Reactivity	0
Specific hazard	Not Available

HMIS Ratings

Health	3
Fire	0
Reactivity	0

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component	Weight %	CAS #	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Ammonium Hydroxide	28-30	1336-21-6	215-647-6	H ₅ NO	35.05 g/mol
Water	Balance	7732-18-5	231-791-2	H ₂ O	18.00 g/mol

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Eyes	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. Respiratory injury may appear as a delayed phenomenon.
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) extinguishing media	Product is not flammable. Use appropriate media for adjacent fire. Cool unopened containers with water.
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Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters	Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protective clothing, including eye protection and boots.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Emits toxic fumes (nitrogen oxides, ammonia) under fire conditions. (See also 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 containment and cleaning up	Use appropriate respiratory protection before attempting to clean up any spills. Absorb spill with noncombustible absorbent material, then place in a suitable container for disposal. Clean surfaces thoroughly with water to remove residual contamination. Dispose of all waste and cleanup materials in accordance with regulations.

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 aerosols.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a 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
Ammonium Hydroxide	25 ppm	TWA	ACGIH
	35 ppm	STEL	ACGIH
	25 ppm 18 mg/m ³	TWA	NIOSH
	35 ppm 27 mg/m ³	STEL	NIOSH
	50 ppm 35 mg/m ³	TWA	OSHA

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

Eyes	Wear chemical safety glasses or goggles, and face shield.
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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. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.
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.)	Colorless, clear liquid.
Odor	Intense, pungent, suffocating odor of ammonia.
Odor threshold	5 - 50 ppm as ammonia
pH	Not Available
Melting point/freezing point	-110 °F
Initial boiling point and boiling range	84.9 °F at 14.7 psia
Flash point	Not Flammable
Evaporation rate	Not Available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not Flammable
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limit	Not Explosive
Vapor pressure	9.1 psia at 60 °F
Vapor density	Not Available
Specific gravity	0.9000
Solubility (ies)	Not Available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not Available
Auto-ignition temperature	Not Available
Decomposition temperature	Not Available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability	Stable under normal storage conditions.
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Ammonium hydroxide will react exothermically with acids. Ammonia vapors are released when heated.
Conditions to Avoid	Avoid ammonium hydroxide contact with chlorine, which forms a chloramine gas, which is a primary skin irritant and sensitizer.
Incompatible Materials	Mercury, chlorine, iodine, bromine, silver oxide, hypochlorites, strong oxidizers, acids, halogens, silver, zinc, copper, brass, bronze, aluminum alloys, gold, and galvanized surfaces.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Nitrogen oxides, ammonia.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Skin	Not Available
Eyes	Not Available
Respiratory	LD50 Inhalation - rat – 7338 – 16,600 ppm – 60 min exposure
Ingestion	LD50 Oral - rat - 350 mg/kg

Carcinogenicity

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, corrosive burns, blister formation may result. Contact with liquid may produce caustic burns.
Eyes	Vapors may cause irritation. Effects of direct contact may range from irritation and tearing to severe corrosive injury and blindness.
Respiratory	Acute exposure to vapor may result in severe irritation of the respiratory tract. May cause dyspnea (breathing difficulty), wheezing, chest pain, bronchospasm, pink frothy sputum, pulmonary edema or respiratory arrest. Respiratory injury may appear as a delayed phenomenon. Pulmonary edema may follow chemical bronchitis.
Ingestion	May cause corrosion to the mouth, throat, esophagus and stomach with perforation and peritonitis. Extreme exposure may result in death from spasm, inflammation or edema.

Chronic Toxicity	Not Available
Teratogenicity	Not Available
Mutagenicity	Mutagenic for bacteria and/or yeast.
Embryotoxicity	Not Available
Target Organ(s)	Not Available
Reproductive Toxicity	Not Available
Respiratory/Skin Sensitization	Not Available

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**Ecotoxicity**

Aquatic Vertebrate	mortality NOEC - Oncorhynchus tshawytscha - 3.5 mg/l - 3.0 d
Aquatic Invertebrate	LC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 32 mg/l - 50 h
Terrestrial	LOEC – terrestrial plants – 3-250 ppm NH ₃ LOEC – aquatic plants – 0.5-500 mg NH ₃ -N/L.

Persistence and Degradability	Biodegradable in soil. Ozonation in the air. Soluble in water.
Bioaccumulative Potential	Not Available
Mobility in Soil	Not Available
PBT and vPvB Assessment	Not Available
Other Adverse Effects	Very toxic to aquatic life.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Product or 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 product or residue.
Product Containers	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 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	UN2672, Ammonia solution, 8, pg III
TDG	UN2672, AMMONIA SOLUTION, 8, PG III
IMDG	UN2672, AMMONIA SOLUTION, 8, PG III
Marine Pollutant	Yes
IATA/ICAO	UN2672, Ammonia solution, 8, pg III

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA Inventory Status	All ingredients are listed on the TSCA Active inventory.
DSL / NDSL	All ingredients are listed on the DSL inventory.
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Rhode Island: Hazardous Substance List	Not Listed
Massachusetts: Toxic or Hazardous Substance List, Right to Know	Not Listed
Pennsylvania: Hazardous Substance List	Listed: Ammonium Hydroxide
New Jersey: Right to Know Hazardous Substance List	Listed: Ammonium Hydroxide
SARA 302	Not Listed
SARA 304	Not Listed
SARA 311	Acute Health Hazard.
SARA 312	Acute Health Hazard.
SARA 313	Listed: Ammonium Hydroxide
WHMIS Canada	Class D1B: Poisonous and infectious material – Immediate and serious effects – Toxic. Class E: Corrosive material.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Revision	Date
Original	11/27/2012
Revision 1	07/26/2013
Revision 2	01/20/2015
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Revision 4	11/07/2017
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