

Safety Data Sheet

Sodium Hydroxide, 40% (w/v) Reagent

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Sodium Hydroxide, 40% (w/v) Reagent

Synonyms/Generic Names: Caustic Soda Solution

Product Number: 5093

Product Use: Industrial, Manufacturing or Laboratory use

Manufacturer: Columbus Chemical Industries, Inc. N4335 Temkin Rd. Columbus, WI. 53925

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In Case of Emergency Call: CHEMTREC - 800-424-9300 or 703-527-3887 (24 Hours/Day, 7 Days/Week)

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard Not Otherwise Classified (HNOC): None

Signal Words: Danger

Pictograms:



GHS Classification:

Skin corrosion	Category 1
Serious eye damage	Category 1
Acute aquatic toxicity	Category 3

GHS Label Elements, including precautionary statements:

Hazard Statements:

H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H402	Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary Statements:

P260	Do not breathe dusts or mists.		
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.		
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.		
	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for		
P304+P340	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.		
P405	Store locked up.		
P501	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.		

Potential Health Effects

Eyes	Causes severe 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	May be harmful if swallowed.	

NFPA Ratings

Health	3
Flammability	0
Reactivity	1
Specific hazard	Not Available

HMIS Ratings

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Health	3
Fire	0
Reactivity	1

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component	Weight %	CAS #	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Sodium Hydroxide	30-50	1310-73-2	215-185-5	NaOH	40.00 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.			
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.			

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable (and unsuitable)	Product is not flammable. Use appropriate media for adjacent fire.		
extinguishing media	Cool containers with water.		
Special protective equipment	Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protective		
and precautions for	clothing, including eye protection and boots.		
firefighters			
Specific hazards arising from	Emits toxic fumes (sodium oxides) under fire conditions. (See also		
the chemical	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	Neutralize spill. 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 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
Sodium Hydroxide	2 mg/m ³	CEIL	ACGIH
	2 mg/m ³	PEL	OSHA
	2 mg/m ³	CEIL	NIOSH

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.		
Inhalation	Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical. If exposure levels are excessive, use an		
	approved respirator.		
Skin	Wear nitrile or rubber gloves, and full body covering. 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 liquid.
Odor	Odorless.
Odor threshold	Not Available
рН	Not Available
Melting point/freezing point	Not Available
Initial boiling point and boiling range	Not Available
Flash point	Not Flammable
Evaporation rate	Not Available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not Flammable
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limit	Not Explosive
Vapor pressure	Not Available
Vapor density	Not Available
Specific gravity	1.3333
Solubility (ies)	Soluble in water.
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not Available
Auto-ignition temperature	Not Applicable
Decomposition temperature	Not Available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability	Stable
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Will not occur.
Conditions to Avoid Not Available	
Incompatible Materials	Acids, organic materials, chlorinated solvents, aluminum,
	phosphorus, zinc, tin.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Sodium oxides.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Sodium Hydroxide

Skin	Not Available
Eyes	Not Available
Respiratory	Not Available
Ingestion	Not Available

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	Extent of damage depends on duration of contact. Burning, itching, redness, inflammation or swelling of exposed tissues.
Eyes	Eye burns, watering eyes.

Respiratory	Burning, choking, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache,
	nausea.
Ingestion	Burning, choking, nausea, vomiting, severe pain.

Chronic Toxicity	Not Available
Teratogenicity	Not Available
Mutagenicity	Not Available
Embryotoxicity	Not Available
Target Organ(s)	Kidney, Liver, Eyes, Skin, Mucous membranes, Respiratory system,
	Cardiovascular system
Reproductive Toxicity	Not Available
Respiratory/Skin Sensitization	Not Available

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Sodium Hydroxide

Aquatic Vertebrate	Not Available	
Aquatic Invertebrate	Not Available	
Terrestrial	Not Avai	able
Persistence and Degradability		Not Available
Bioaccumulative Potential		Not Available
Mobility in Soil		Not Available
PBT and vPvB Assessment		Not Available

Not Available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Other Adverse Effects

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	UN1824, Sodium hydroxide solution, 8, pg II	
TDG	UN1824, SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION, 8, pg II	
IMDG	UN1824, SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION, 8, pg II	
Marine Pollutant	No	
IATA/ICAO	UN1824, Sodium hydroxide solution, 8, pg II	

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	Listed: Sodium Hydroxide
Massachusetts: Toxic or Hazardous Substance List,	Not Listed
Right to Know	
Pennsylvania: Hazardous Substance List	Listed: Sodium Hydroxide
New Jersey: Right to Know Hazardous Substance	Listed: Sodium Hydroxide
List	
SARA 302	Not Listed
SARA 304	Not Listed
SARA 311	Acute Health Hazard.
SARA 312	Acute Health Hazard.
SARA 313	Not Listed
WHMIS Canada	Class E: Corrosive material.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Revision	Date
Original	09/25/2014
Revision 1	03/21/2016
Revision 2	03/28/2022

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