

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

**Product identifier:** Sodium Hydroxide, Pellets

**Other means of identification**

**Product No.:** 3115, 3718, 3722, 3723, 3728, 5045, 5565, 7001, 7680, 7708, 7772

**Recommended use and restriction on use**

**Recommended use:** Not available.

**Restrictions on use:** Not known.

**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

**Manufacturer**

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24 Hour Emergency: 908-859-2151  
Chemtrec: 800-424-9300

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Hazard Classification**

**Physical Hazards**

Corrosive to metals Category 1

**Health Hazards**

Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 1

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 1

**Unknown toxicity - Health**

Acute toxicity, inhalation, dust or mist	100 %
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**Unknown toxicity - Environment**

Chronic hazards to the aquatic environment	100 %
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**Label Elements**

**Hazard Symbol:**



<b>Signal Word:</b>	Danger
<b>Hazard Statement:</b>	May be corrosive to metals. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
<b>Precautionary Statement</b>	
<b>Prevention:</b>	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Keep only in original container. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
<b>Response:</b>	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. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
<b>Storage:</b>	Store locked up. Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
<b>Disposal:</b>	Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.
<b>Other hazards which do not result in GHS classification:</b>	None.

### 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### Substances

Chemical Identity	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	Content in percent (%)*
SODIUM HYDROXIDE		1310-73-2	90 - 100%

\* All concentrations are percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General information:</b>	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Do not induce vomiting without advice from poison control center. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Move to fresh air. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Apply artificial respiration if victim is not breathing. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

**Skin Contact:** Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Destroy or thoroughly clean contaminated shoes.

**Eye contact:** Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If easy to do, remove contact lenses. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

**Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed**

**Symptoms:** Corrosive to skin and eyes.

**Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

**Treatment:** Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

**5. Fire-fighting measures**

**General Fire Hazards:** Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out.

**Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media**

**Suitable extinguishing media:** Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.

**Unsuitable extinguishing media:** The product reacts with water and will generate heat.

**Specific hazards arising from the chemical:** Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases.

**Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters**

**Special fire fighting procedures:** No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

**Special protective equipment for fire-fighters:** Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in enclosed spaces, SCBA.

**6. Accidental release measures**

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:** Keep unauthorized personnel away. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Use personal protective equipment. See Section 8 of the SDS for Personal Protective Equipment. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing.

**Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:** Sweep up and place in a clearly labeled container for chemical waste. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination. Neutralize spill area and washings with dilute acetic acid.

**Notification Procedures:** Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Inform authorities if large amounts are involved.

**Environmental Precautions:** Do not contaminate water sources or sewer. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Precautions for safe handling:** Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using the product. Do not taste or swallow. Avoid breathing dust or vapor. Use personal protective equipment as required. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:** Do not store in metal containers. Keep container tightly closed. Store in a well-ventilated place. Store in a dry place.

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Control Parameters

#### Occupational Exposure Limits

Chemical Identity	type	Exposure Limit Values	Source
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	Ceiling	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (2011)
	Ceil_Time	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2010)
	PEL	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	Ceiling	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) (1989)

**Appropriate Engineering Controls** No data available.

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

**General information:** Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. An eye wash and safety shower must be available in the immediate work area.

**Eye/face protection:** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) and a face shield.

#### Skin Protection

**Hand Protection:** Chemical resistant gloves

**Other:** Wear suitable protective clothing.

**Respiratory Protection:** In case of inadequate ventilation use suitable respirator. Air-purifying respirator with a high efficiency particulate filter.

**Hygiene measures:** Provide eyewash station and safety shower. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing to remove contaminants. Discard contaminated footwear that cannot be cleaned.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Appearance

**Physical state:** solid  
**Form:** Pellets  
**Color:** White  
**Odor:** Odorless

<b>Odor threshold:</b>	No data available.
<b>pH:</b>	13 (0.5% aqueous solution)
<b>Melting point/freezing point:</b>	323 °C
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range:</b>	1,388 °C
<b>Flash Point:</b>	not applicable
<b>Evaporation rate:</b>	No data available.
<b>Flammability (solid, gas):</b>	No data available.
<b>Upper/lower limit on flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Flammability limit - upper (%):</b>	No data available.
<b>Flammability limit - lower (%):</b>	No data available.
<b>Explosive limit - upper (%):</b>	No data available.
<b>Explosive limit - lower (%):</b>	No data available.
<b>Vapor pressure:</b>	No data available.
<b>Vapor density:</b>	No data available.
<b>Relative density:</b>	2.13 (25 °C)
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	
<b>Solubility in water:</b>	1,110 g/l
<b>Solubility (other):</b>	No data available.
<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b>	No data available.
<b>Auto-ignition temperature:</b>	No data available.
<b>Decomposition temperature:</b>	No data available.
<b>Viscosity:</b>	No data available.
<b>Other information</b>	
<b>Molecular weight:</b>	40 g/mol (HNaO)

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactivity:</b>	Reacts violently with strong acids.
<b>Chemical Stability:</b>	Material is stable under normal conditions.
<b>Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur. The substance is hygroscopic and will absorb water by contact with the moisture in the air.
<b>Conditions to Avoid:</b>	Avoid dust formation. Heat. Moisture.
<b>Incompatible Materials:</b>	Oxidizing agents. Acids. Flammable liquid. Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products:</b>	Sodium oxides

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

<b>Ingestion:</b>	May cause burns of the gastrointestinal tract if swallowed.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	May cause damage to mucous membranes in nose, throat, lungs and bronchial system.
<b>Skin Contact:</b>	Causes severe skin burns.
<b>Eye contact:</b>	Causes serious eye damage.

**Information on toxicological effects****Acute toxicity (list all possible routes of exposure)****Oral****Product:** LD 50 (Rat): 130 - 340 mg/kg**Dermal****Product:** LD 50 (Rabbit): 1,350 mg/kg**Inhalation****Product:** No data available.**Repeated dose toxicity****Product:** No data available.**Skin Corrosion/Irritation****Product:** Causes severe skin burns.**Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation****Product:** Causes serious eye damage.**Respiratory or Skin Sensitization****Product:** Not a skin sensitizer.**Carcinogenicity****Product:** This substance has no evidence of carcinogenic properties.**IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans:**

No carcinogenic components identified

**US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens:**

No carcinogenic components identified

**US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050):**

No carcinogenic components identified

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity****In vitro****Product:** No mutagenic components identified**In vivo****Product:** No data available.**Reproductive toxicity****Product:** No components toxic to reproduction**Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure****Product:** None known.**Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure****Product:** None known.**Aspiration Hazard****Product:** Not classified**Other effects:**

None known.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity:

#### Acute hazards to the aquatic environment:

##### Fish

**Product:** No data available.

##### Specified substance(s):

SODIUM HYDROXIDE LC 50 (Western mosquitofish (*Gambusia affinis*), 96 h): 125 mg/l Mortality

##### Aquatic Invertebrates

**Product:** No data available.

##### Specified substance(s):

SODIUM HYDROXIDE EC 50 (Water flea (*Ceriodaphnia dubia*), 48 h): 34.59 - 47.13 mg/l Intoxication

#### Chronic hazards to the aquatic environment:

##### Fish

**Product:** No data available.

##### Aquatic Invertebrates

**Product:** No data available.

##### Toxicity to Aquatic Plants

**Product:** No data available.

### Persistence and Degradability

#### Biodegradation

**Product:** Expected to be readily biodegradable.

#### BOD/COD Ratio

**Product:** No data available.

### Bioaccumulative Potential

#### Bioconcentration Factor (BCF)

**Product:** No data available on bioaccumulation.

#### Partition Coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow)

**Product:** No data available.

### Mobility in Soil:

The product is water soluble and may spread in water systems.

### Other Adverse Effects:

Harmful to aquatic organisms. The product may affect the acidity (pH-factor) in water with risk of harmful effects to aquatic organisms.

## 13. Disposal considerations

### Disposal instructions:

Discharge, treatment, or disposal may be subject to national, state, or local laws.

### Contaminated Packaging:

Since emptied containers retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN Number:	UN 1823
UN Proper Shipping Name:	Sodium hydroxide, solid
Transport Hazard Class(es)	
Class(es):	8
Label(s):	8
Packing Group:	II
Marine Pollutant:	Not a Marine Pollutant
Special precautions for user:	–

### IMDG

UN Number:	UN 1823
UN Proper Shipping Name:	SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID
Transport Hazard Class(es)	
Class(es):	8
Label(s):	8
EmS No.:	F-A, S-B
Packing Group:	II
Marine Pollutant:	Not a Marine Pollutant
Special precautions for user:	–

### IATA

UN Number:	UN 1823
Proper Shipping Name:	Sodium hydroxide, solid
Transport Hazard Class(es):	
Class(es):	8
Label(s):	8
Marine Pollutant:	Not a Marine Pollutant
Packing Group:	II
Special precautions for user:	–

## 15. Regulatory information

### US Federal Regulations

**TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)**  
**US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)**  
 None present or none present in regulated quantities.

### CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4):

<u>Chemical Identity</u>	<u>Reportable quantity</u>
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	1000 lbs.

### Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

**Hazard categories**  
 Acute (Immediate)

**SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance**  
 None present or none present in regulated quantities.

**SARA 304 Emergency Release Notification**

<u>Chemical Identity</u>	<u>Reportable quantity</u>
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	1000 lbs.

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous Chemical**

<u>Chemical Identity</u>	<u>Threshold Planning Quantity</u>
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	10000 lbs

**SARA 313 (TRI Reporting)**

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

**Clean Water Act Section 311 Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 117.3)**

<u>Chemical Identity</u>	<u>Reportable quantity</u>
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	Reportable quantity: 1000 lbs.

**Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130):**

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

**US State Regulations**

**US. California Proposition 65**

No ingredient regulated by CA Prop 65 present.

**US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act**

Chemical Identity  
SODIUM HYDROXIDE

**US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List**

Chemical Identity  
SODIUM HYDROXIDE

**US. Pennsylvania RTK - Hazardous Substances**

Chemical Identity  
SODIUM HYDROXIDE

**US. Rhode Island RTK**

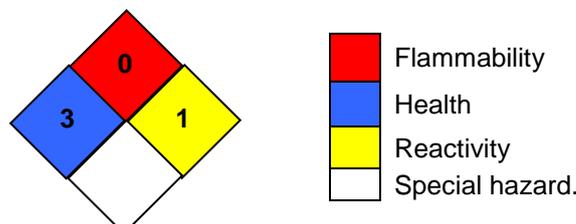
Chemical Identity  
SODIUM HYDROXIDE

**Inventory Status:**

Australia AICS:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Canada DSL Inventory List:	On or in compliance with the inventory
EINECS, ELINCS or NLP:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan (ENCS) List:	On or in compliance with the inventory
China Inv. Existing Chemical Substances:	Not in compliance with the inventory.
Korea Existing Chemicals Inv. (KECI):	On or in compliance with the inventory
Canada NDSL Inventory:	Not in compliance with the inventory.
Philippines PICCS:	On or in compliance with the inventory
US TSCA Inventory:	On or in compliance with the inventory
New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan ISHL Listing:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan Pharmacopoeia Listing:	Not in compliance with the inventory.

**16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision**

**NFPA Hazard ID**



Hazard rating: 0 - Minimal; 1 - Slight; 2 - Moderate; 3 - Serious; 4 - Severe; RNP - Rating not possible

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