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**MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET** 





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#### 1. Identification

**GHS Product Identifier** 

SODIUM HYDROXIDE 1.00M SOLUTION

the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use of Used in chemical manufacturing (pH control, acid neutralization, off-gas scrubbing and catalyst); pulp and paper manufacturing; in petroleum and natural gas industry (removing acidic contaminants in oil and gas processing); manufacture of soap and detergents and other cleaning products; and cellulosics, such as rayon, cellophane and cellulose ethers; cotton mercerizing and scouring; water treatment; food processing; flue-gas scrubbing; mining; glass making; textile processing, laundering, and bleaching; refining vegetable oils; rubber reclamation; metal processing; etching and electroplating; oxide coating; electrolytic extraction of zinc; tin plating; aluminum processing; metal degreasing; drain and pipe cleaning; adhesive preparations; paint remover; wood treatment; disinfectant; cleaning of non-disposable bottles by the drink and beer industry; batteries; oven-cleaner pads; rubber latex stabilizer; stabilization of sodium hypochlorite; in making plastics to dissolve casein; pharmaceutic aid

Other Names

Caustic soda solution

(alkalizer) and laboratory reagent.

Lye

**Other Information** 

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#### 2. Hazard Identification

Corrosive to Metals: Category 1 **GHS** classification of

Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Category 1B

substance/mixture

Signal Word (s) DANGER

H290 May be corrosive to metals. Hazard Statement (s)

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Pictogram (s) Corrosion



**Precautionary** statement -

P234 Keep only in original container. P260 Do not breathe mist/vapours/spray.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face

protection.

**Precautionary** 

Prevention

P301+P330+P331 IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. statement - Response P303+P361+P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all

contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a

position comfortable for breathing.



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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 or doctor/physician.

**Precautionary** 

P405 Store locked up.

statement - Storage Precautionary statement – Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/container to in accordance to local/regional/national/international regulations.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical

Liquid

Characterization Ingredients

Name CAS Hazard Symbol Risk Phrase

7732-18-5 Water 1310-73-2 C R35 Sodium hydroxide

4. First-aid measures

Inhalation Remove from exposure, rest and keep warm. Inhalation of any vapours from this

product is not likely to present an acute hazard.

Ingestion Rinse mouth thoroughly with water immediately. Give plenty of water to drink.

Avoid vomiting (risk of perforation!). Never give anything by mouth to an If swallowed, do NOT unconscious person. Do not attempt to neutralize. induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, keep head below hips to prevent aspiration into lungs. If vomiting occurs give further water to achieve effective dilution. If breathing but unconscious, place in the recovery

position. Keep airways free. Seek immediate medical assistance.

Skin If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin

and hair with running water. Wash clothing before reuse. Seek urgent medical

assistance.

If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running Eve contact

water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes. Seek immediate medical

assistance.

First Aid Facilities Maintain eyewash fountain, safety shower and a general washing facility in

work area.

Treat symptomatically as for strong alkalis. Consult Poisons Information Advice to Doctor

Centre.

Treat symptomatically and supportively as for strong alkalis. Burns are not

immediately painful; onset of pain may be minutes to hours. Symptoms of

pulmonary oedema can be delayed up to 48 hours after exposure.

**Protection for First** 

Aiders

No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give

mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Wash contaminated clothing thoroughly with water

before removing, or wear gloves.

Other Information For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone eg Australia 13 1126)

or a doctor.

**5.** Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media Specific hazards arising from the

Use fire extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding environment. Use water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or appropriate foam.

Material does not burn.

chemical

**Hazchem Code** 2R

6. Accidental release measures

Evacuate the area of all non-essential personnel. Avoid contact with skin, **Personal Precautions** 

eves.

Wear protective clothing specified for normal operations (see Section 8) **Personal Protection** 



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Clean-up Methods -**Small Spillages** 

Absorb or contain liquid with sand, earth or spill control material. Sweep up and remove to a suitable, clearly marked container for disposal in accordance with local regulations.

#### 7. Handling and storage

**Precautions for Safe** Handling

Avoid contact with skin, eyes, or clothing. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Wear appropriate protection. Change contaminated clothing. It is essential that all who come into contact with this material maintain high standards of personal hygiene ie. washing

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatabilities hands prior to eating, drinking, smoking or using toilet facilities. Corrosives area. Store in tightly closed containers, in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from sources of heat, moisture and

incompatibilities. Store in original packages as approved by manufacturer. Absorbs carbon dioxide from air. Store away from water/moisture, acids,

metals (aluminium, magnesium, zinc or tin).

Corrosiveness Corrosivity to Metals: Corrosive to aluminium, tin, zinc, copper, brass and

bronze. Corrosive to steel at elevated temperatures (above 40  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ). Not

corrosive to nickel.

Slowly attacks glass at room temperature.

Refer Australian Standard AS 3780-1994 'The storage and handling of corrosive **Storage Regulations** 

substances'.

Store at room temperature (15 to 23°C recommended). Protect from freezing. Storage

**Temperatures** 

Unsuitable Materials Aluminium, magnesium, zinc or tin containers.

#### 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Other Exposure Information

A time weighted average (TWA) has been established for Sodium hydroxide – solid (Worksafe Aust) of 2  $mg/m^3$  (Peak limitation). The exposure value at the TWA is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. Peak Limitation - a ceiling concentration which should not be exceeded over a

measurement period which should be as short as possible but not exceeding 15 minutes.

Respiratory **Protection** 

Where ventilation is not adequate, respiratory protection may be required. Avoid breathing vapours or mists. Select and use respirators in accordance with AS 1716 - Respiratory Protective Devices and be selected in accordance with AS 1715 - Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices. When mists or vapours exceed the exposure standards then the use of the following is recommended: Approved respirator with organic vapour and dust/mist filters. Filter capacity and respirator type depends on exposure levels.

**Eye Protection** 

The use of a face shield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection as appropriate. Must comply with Australian Standards AS 1337 and be selected and used in accordance with AS 1336.

**Hand Protection** 

Hand protection should comply with AS 2161, Occupational protective gloves -Selection, use and maintenance. Recommendation: Excellent: NR latex, vinyl

and nitrile. Good: Neoprene gloves

Footwear

Safety boots in industrial situations is advisory, foot protection should comply with AS 2210, Occupational protective footwear - Guide to selection, care and use.

**Body Protection** 

Clean clothing or protective clothing should be worn, preferably with an apron. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against Hazardous Chemicals.

**Hygiene Measures** 

Always wash hands before smoking, eating or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or

re-using.

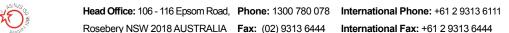
#### 9. Physical and chemical properties

Liquid Form



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Clear, colourless solution. Appearance

Odourless Odour

 $\sim -1$  °C (2%);  $\sim -3$  °C (4%). **Melting Point** 

~100 °C; 102 °C (5%). **Boiling Point** 

>1.0.

Miscible (soluble) in all proportions. Solubility in Water

**Specific Gravity** 1.0207 (2%wt); 1.03175 (3%wt); 1.0428 (4%wt). Basic. ~ 13.25 (2%); ~ 13.3 (3%); ~ 13.35 (4%). pН

Vapour Density

(Air=1)

Viscosity >1 (ether=1).

Non combustible material. **Flammability** 

Reactions with a number of commonly encountered materials can generate **Explosion Properties** 

sufficient heat to ignite nearby combustible materials. Reactions with metals, such as aluminium, tin and zinc, can form explosive/flammable hydrogen gas. Reaction with ammonia + silver nitrate forms explosive products. Reaction with sodium salt of trichlorophenol + methyl alcohol + trichlorobenzene + heat can cause an explosion. Reaction with impure tetrahydrofuran, which can contain

peroxides, can cause serious explosions. Benzene extract of allyl

benzenesulfonate prepared from allyl alcohol, and benzene sulfonyl chloride in

presence of aqueous sodium hydroxide, under vacuum distillation, residue

darkened and exploded. 40.00 (pure substance).

**Other Information** Taste: Strong alkaline taste.

#### 10. Stability and reactivity

Molecular Weight

**Chemical Stability** Stable at room temperature in tightly closed containers under ordinary

conditions of use and storage. Sensitive to air. Sodium hydroxide rapidly absorbs carbon dioxide from the air (forming sodium carbonate). Moreover, contamination with iron is possible in carbon steel storage vessels or in lined carbon steel storage vessels where the liner has been impaired.

Conditions to Avoid

Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight, heat, moisture/water, light metals (aluminium, tin, or zinc), exposure to air, or carbon monoxide, and

incompatible materials.

Incompatible Materials

Many organic and inorganic chemicals, such as strong acids, nitroaromatic, nitroparaffin and organohalogen compounds, glycols and organic peroxides, water, acetaldehyde, acrolein or acrylonitrile, sodium tetrahydroborate or

metals, such as aluminium, tin, or zinc, 1,2- dichloroethylene,

trichloroethylene or tetrachloroethane, solutions of sugars, such as fructose,

lactose and maltose.

Hazardous Decomposition **Products** Possibility of

hazardous reactions

Toxic fumes of sodium/sodium oxides (Na20). Contact in moist air with light

metals (like aluminium, zinc, tin and lead) may evolve

combustible/explosive/flammable hydrogen gas.

Reactions with many organic and inorganic chemicals, such as strong acids,

nitroaromatic, nitroparaffin and organohalogen compounds, glycols and organic peroxides are vigorous, violent or explosive. Reaction with water is violent, generating significant heat, causing possible localized overheating and dangerously spattering corrosive sodium hydroxide. Reactions with sodium tetrahydroborate or metals, such as aluminium, tin, or zinc produce flammable

and explosive hydrogen gas. Reactions with 1,2-dichloroethylene,

trichloroethylene or tetrachloroethane can form spontaneously flammable chemicals. Reactions with solutions of sugars, such as fructose, lactose and

maltose can produce carbon monoxide.

Violently polymerizes acetaldehyde, acrolein or acrylonitrile. Hazardous

**Polymerization** 



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Eye

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11. Toxicological Information

May be harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal tract Ingestion irritation and possible burns of the mouth, pharynx, oesophagus, and

gastrointestinal tract. May cause severe and permanent damage to the digestive tract, including perforation of the digestive tract (oesophagus and stomach). May cause severe pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain and shock. May affect central nervous system (depression, convulsions, coma, and possible

death to respiratory failure) and the cardiovascular system (fall in blood pressure, fall in heart rate and inhibited respiration).

Sodium hydroxide has a negligible vapour pressure and is rapidly neutralized Inhalation

in air by carbon dioxide and therefore vapour exposure is not expected. Inhalation of aerosols may result in respiratory irritation, with coughing, burning sensation, dyspnoea, breathing difficulty and possible pulmonary

oedema, chemical pneumonitis, emphysema, irreversible obstructive lung disease

and coma.

Skin Corrosive. Causes skin irritation and burns to the skin, which can result in redness, itchiness, pain and swelling. May cause deep, penetrating ulcers of

the skin. Pain and sign of burns may be delayed, beginning with aching for several hours. May cause skin rash (in milder cases), and cold and clammy skin with cyanosis or pale colour. May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.

Corrosive. Causes severe irritation and burns to the eyes, which can result in redness, stinging, pain, lacrimation (tearing), blurred vision, loss of colour vision (blue vision), corneal oedema, photophobia, chemical conjunctivitis and

possibly irreversible eye damage i.e. corneal burns. Risk of blindness!

**Skin Sensitisation** Sodium hydroxide has been used widely and for a long time and no human cases

of skin sensitisation have been reported and therefore sodium hydroxide is not

considered to be a skin sensitizer.

Carcinogenicity Not listed in the IARC Monographs. Alkalis are known to increase the risk of oesophageal cancer, which can occur

years after the initial injury. The incidence of carcinoma following oesophageal injury from sodium hydroxide is 0.8-4%. Of the fifteen patients (age range 38-83) in a study by Isolauri and Markkula (1989) twelve had accidentally swallowed sodium hydroxide at the age of two or three years, one at fifteen years and one at twenty-three years of age. The time between ingestion and the diagnosis of oesophageal cancer was 22-81 years. Appelqvist

and Salmo (1980) describe similar results, out of sixty patients with oesophageal cancer for which the time of ingestion was known, fifty-two had

ingested the sodium hydroxide at the age of ten years or younger.

Repeated or prolonged exposure to this material  $\bar{\text{will}}$  result  $\bar{\text{in}}$  severe skin **Chronic Effects** 

irritation leading to tissue destruction. Prolonged or repeated skin contact

may cause dermatitis. Effects may be delayed.

12. Ecological information

Toxic effect on fish and plankton. Harmful effect due to pH shift. Death of **Ecotoxicity** 

fish possible.

Information on

Does not cause biological oxygen deficit.

**Ecological Effects** 

Environmental Do not allow to enter waters, waste water, or soil!

**Protection** 

Acute Toxicity - Fish Fish toxicity: LC50: 189 mg/l (1 N solution = 40 g/l).

**Sewage Treatment** Neutralization possible in waste water treatment plants.

13. Disposal considerations

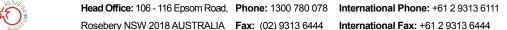
Dispose of according to relevant local, state and federal government Disposal

regulations. Considerations



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#### 14. Transport information

Dangerous goods of Class 8 (Corrosive) are incompatible in a placard load with **Transport** any of the following: Class 1, Class 4.3, Class 5, Class 6, if the Class 6 **Information** 

dangerous goods are cyanides and the Class 8 dangerous goods are acids, Class

7; and are incompatible with food and food packaging in any quantity.

U.N. Number

**UN proper shipping** 

SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

name Transport hazard

class(es)

**Hazchem Code** 

2R

**Packaging Method** 

3.8.8RT8

ΙI **Packing Group** 8A1 **EPG Number** 37 **IERG Number** 

#### 15. Regulatory information

Poisons Schedule

#### 16. Other Information

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NaOH (pure substance). **Empirical Formula** & Structural

### **END OF MSDS**