

Sodium Hydroxide 1% - 40% (by weight)**SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION**

Product Identifier	Sodium Hydroxide 1% - 40% (by weight)
Other Means of Identification	Sodium Hydroxide 0.25N - 12N
Product Code(s)	SO3600, SO3601, SO3602, SO3603, SO3604, SO3605, SO3606, SO3612, SO3615
Product Family	Inorganic Base
Recommended Use	Laboratory and industrial use.
Restrictions on Use	None known.
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SDS No.	0526

SECTION 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

Classified according to Canada's Hazardous Products Regulations (WHMIS 2015) and the US Hazard Communication Standard (HCS 2012).

Classification

Skin corrosion - Category 1; Serious eye damage - Category 1

Label Elements

Signal Word:
Danger

Hazard Statement(s):
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary Statement(s):

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

Wash hands and skin thoroughly after handling.

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

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.

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 CENTRE or doctor.

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

Other Hazards

None known.

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SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Mixture:

Chemical Name	CAS No.	%	Other Identifiers
Water	7732-18-5	60 - 99	Dihydrogen Oxide
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	1 - 40	Caustic Soda, Lye

SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

First-aid Measures

Inhalation

Remove source of exposure or move to fresh air. Keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

Skin Contact

Immediately rinse skin with lukewarm, gently flowing water for at least 60 minutes. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor.

Eye Contact

Immediately rinse the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for at least 60 minutes, while holding the eyelid(s) open. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor.

Ingestion

Never give anything by mouth if person is rapidly losing consciousness, or is unconscious or convulsing. Do not induce vomiting. Rinse mouth with water. If vomiting occurs, have person lie on side in the recovery position. Rinse mouth with water again. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor.

First-aid Comments

Some of the first-aid procedures recommended here require advanced first-aid training. If exposed or concerned, get medical advice or attention.

Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

If on skin: contact can cause pain, redness, burns, and blistering. Permanent scarring can result. If in eyes: contact causes severe burns with redness, swelling, pain and blurred vision. Permanent damage including blindness can result.

Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment

Special Instructions

General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Media

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, appropriate foam, water spray or fog.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

Do not use a solid (straight) water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Product

Does not burn. Closed containers may rupture violently when heated releasing contents.

In a fire, the following hazardous materials may be generated: Sodium Oxides.

Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-fighters

Use extreme caution. Fight fire from a safe distance or a protected location. Approach fire from upwind to avoid hazardous vapours or gases. Knock down vapours or gases with water fog or fine water spray. For a massive fire, immediately evacuate the area and use unmanned hose holder or monitor nozzles. Dike and recover contaminated water for appropriate disposal.

Chemical protective clothing (e.g. chemical splash suit) and positive pressure SCBA may be necessary.

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SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment, and Emergency Procedures

Emergency responders: use the personal protective equipment recommended in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Increase ventilation to area or move leaking container to a well-ventilated and secure area. Remove or isolate incompatible materials as well as other hazardous materials.

Environmental Precautions

Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any waterway.

Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up

Contain and soak up spill with absorbent that does not react with spilled product. Place used absorbent into suitable, covered, labelled containers for disposal.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for Safe Handling

Wear personal protective equipment to avoid direct contact with this chemical. Only use where there is adequate ventilation. Prevent accidental contact with incompatible chemicals. Never add water to a corrosive. Always add corrosives slowly to COLD water. Keep containers tightly closed when not in use or empty.

Conditions for Safe Storage

Store in an area that is: cool, well-ventilated. Protect from sunlight. Separate from incompatible materials (see Section 10: Stability and Reactivity). Store in a closed container.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control Parameters

Chemical Name	ACGIH TLV®		OSHA PEL		AIHA WEEL	
	TWA	STEL	TWA	Ceiling	8-hr TWA	TWA
Sodium hydroxide		2 mg/m ³	2 mg/m ³			
Water	Not established		Not established			

ACGIH® = American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists. STEL = Short-term Exposure Limit. C = Ceiling limit.

OSHA = US Occupational Safety and Health Administration. TWA = Time-Weighted Average.

Appropriate Engineering Controls

Use local exhaust ventilation and enclosure, if necessary, to control amount in the air. Provide eyewash and safety shower if contact or splash hazard exists.

Individual Protection Measures

Eye/Face Protection

Wear chemical safety goggles and face shield when contact is possible.

Skin Protection

Wear chemical protective clothing e.g. gloves, aprons, boots.

Respiratory Protection

Wear a NIOSH approved air-purifying respirator with an appropriate cartridge.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance	Clear colourless liquid.
Odour	Odourless
Odour Threshold	Not available
pH	>= 14
Melting Point/Freezing Point	Not available (melting); Not available (freezing)

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Initial Boiling Point/Range	Not available
Flash Point	Not available
Evaporation Rate	Not available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not available
Upper/Lower Flammability or Explosive Limit	Not available (upper); Not available (lower)
Vapour Pressure	Not available
Vapour Density (air = 1)	Not available
Relative Density (water = 1)	Not available
Solubility	Not available in water; Not available (in other liquids)
Partition Coefficient, n-Octanol/Water (Log Kow)	Not available
Auto-ignition Temperature	Not available
Decomposition Temperature	Not available
Viscosity	1.04 - 3.40 centistokes (kinematic); Not available (dynamic)
Other Information	
Physical State	Liquid

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity

Not reactive under normal conditions of use.

Chemical Stability

Normally stable.

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Reacts in the presence of acidic conditions (low pH).

Conditions to Avoid

Incompatible materials. High temperatures. Low temperatures. Sunlight.

Incompatible Materials

Metals (e.g. aluminum), strong acids (e.g. hydrochloric acid).

Hazardous Decomposition Products

Sodium Oxides.

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Likely Routes of Exposure

Inhalation; skin contact; eye contact; ingestion.

Acute Toxicity

Chemical Name	LC50	LD50 (oral)	LD50 (dermal)
Sodium hydroxide	Not available	Not available	1350 mg/kg (rabbit)
Water	Not available	> 89840 mg/kg (rat)	Not available

Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Contact can cause pain, redness, burns, and blistering. Permanent scarring can result.

Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

Causes serious eye damage based on skin corrosion information.

STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Single Exposure

Inhalation

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Causes severe nose and throat irritation.

Ingestion

Causes irritation of the mouth, throat and stomach.

Aspiration Hazard

No information was located.

STOT (Specific Target Organ Toxicity) - Repeated Exposure

No information was located.

Respiratory and/or Skin Sensitization

No information was located.

Carcinogenicity

Chemical Name	IARC	ACGIH®	NTP	OSHA
Sodium hydroxide	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed
Water	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed

Reproductive Toxicity

Development of Offspring

No information was located.

Sexual Function and Fertility

No information was located.

Effects on or via Lactation

No information was located.

Germ Cell Mutagenicity

No information was located.

Interactive Effects

No information was located.

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

This section is not required by WHMIS. This section is not required by OSHA HCS 2012.

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Methods

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Regulation	UN No.	Proper Shipping Name	Transport Hazard Class(es)	Packing Group
US DOT	UN1824	Sodium Hydroxide Solution	8	II
Canadian TDG	UN1824	Sodium Hydroxide Solution	8	II
IATA (Air)	UN1824	Sodium Hydroxide Solution	8	II
IMO (Marine)	UN1824	Sodium Hydroxide Solution	8	II

Special Precautions Not applicable

Transport in Bulk According to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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Safety, Health and Environmental Regulations

Canada

Domestic Substances List (DSL) / Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)

Listed on the DSL.

USA

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Section 8(b)

Listed on the TSCA Inventory.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

NFPA Rating **Health - 3** **Flammability - 0** **Instability - 1**

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References CHEMINFO database. Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS).

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