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1. Identification

Product identifier used on the label

Sodium Sulfite anhydrous food grade (E221)

Recommended use of the chemical and restriction on use

Recommended use*: food additive(s)

Recommended use*: inorganic reducing agents; initial product for chemical syntheses; process chemical

Unsuitable for use: Not intended for sale to or use by the general public.

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Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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Other means of identification

Molecular formula: Na_2SO_3

Chemical family: sodium salt, inorganic reducing agents

Synonyms: Sodium Sulfite Anhydrous Use: chemical; food additive(s)

2. Hazards Identification

According to Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) (SOR/2015-17)

Classification of the product

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Aquatic Acute

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Hazardous to the aquatic environment - acute

Label elements

Hazard Statement:

H402

Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary Statements (Prevention):

P273

Avoid release to the environment.

Precautionary Statements (Disposal):

P501

Dispose of contents and container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

Hazards not otherwise classified

No specific dangers known, if the regulations/notes for storage and handling are considered. If applicable information is provided in this section on other hazards which do not result in classification but which may contribute to the overall hazards of the substance or mixture.

Labeling of special preparations (GHS):

Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.

3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

According to Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) (SOR/2015-17)

sodium sulphite

CAS Number: 7757-83-7

Content (W/W): ≥ 75.0 - $\leq 100.0\%$

Synonym: Sodium sulfite

4. First-Aid Measures

Description of first aid measures

General advice:

Remove contaminated clothing.

If inhaled:

If difficulties occur after dust has been inhaled, remove to fresh air and seek medical attention. After inhalation of decomposition products: Immediately administer a corticosteroid from a controlled/metered dose inhaler. Seek medical attention.

If on skin:

Wash thoroughly with soap and water

If in eyes:

Immediately wash affected eyes for at least 15 minutes under running water with eyelids held open, consult an eye specialist.

If swallowed:

Immediately rinse mouth and then drink 200-300 ml of water, seek medical attention.

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Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms: No data available.

Hazards: Risk of sulfur dioxide formation by reaction with gastric acid after swallowing.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to physician

Treatment:

Treat according to symptoms (decontamination, vital functions), no known specific antidote.

5. Fire-Fighting Measures

Suitable extinguishing media:

water spray, carbon dioxide, foam, dry powder

Unsuitable extinguishing media for safety reasons:

water jet

Additional information:

Product will not burn.

Use extinguishing measures to suit surroundings.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazards during fire-fighting:

Sulphur dioxide,

The substances/groups of substances mentioned can be released if the product is involved in a fire.

Advice for fire-fighters

Protective equipment for fire-fighting:

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and chemical-protective clothing.

Further information:

Product itself is non-combustible; fire extinguishing method of surrounding areas must be considered. Contaminated extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with official regulations. In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes.

Impact Sensitivity:

Remarks:

Based on the chemical structure there is no shock-sensitivity.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid contact with the skin, eyes and clothing. Use personal protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

Environmental precautions

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Do not discharge into drains/surface waters/groundwater. Do not discharge into the subsoil/soil. Retain and dispose of contaminated wash water.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Sweep/shovel up. Dispose of absorbed material in accordance with regulations.

7. Handling and Storage

Precautions for safe handling

Use only in well-ventilated areas. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

Protection against fire and explosion:

The substance/product is non-combustible. No special precautions necessary.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Segregate from acids and acid forming substances. Segregate from oxidants.

Suitable materials for containers: Stainless steel 1.4541, Stainless steel 1.4571, High density polyethylene (HDPE), Low density polyethylene (LDPE), Carbon steel (Iron)

Further information on storage conditions: Keep away from heat. Keep container tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. Keep container dry. The product consumes oxygen. Danger of lack of oxygen in containers and tanks.

8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

No occupational exposure limits known.

The substance mentioned develops if the regulation/notes for storage and handling are not observed.

Sulphur dioxide	ACGIH, US:	STEL value 0.25 ppm ;
	OSHA Z1:	PEL 5 ppm 13 mg/m3 ;

Advice on system design:

Provide local exhaust ventilation to control dust.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection:

Breathing protection if dusts are formed.

Hand protection:

Chemical resistant protective gloves should be worn to prevent all skin contact., Suitable materials may include, nitrile rubber (Buna N), chloroprene rubber (Neoprene), polyvinylchloride (Pylox), Consult with glove manufacturer for testing data., Protective glove selection must be based on the user's assessment of the workplace hazards.

Eye protection:

Tightly fitting safety goggles (chemical goggles).

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Body protection:

Body protection must be chosen depending on activity and possible exposure, e.g. head protection, apron, protective boots, chemical-protection suit.

General safety and hygiene measures:

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Do not inhale vapours or dust. Hands and/or face should be washed before breaks and at the end of the shift.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Form:	powder, crystalline	
Odour:	odourless	
Odour threshold:	Not determined due to potential health hazard by inhalation.	
Colour:	white to slightly yellow	
pH value:	8.5 - 10.5 (5 %(m), 20 °C)	(OECD Guideline 122)
melting point (decomposition):	The substance / product decomposes.	
Freezing point:	No data available.	
Boiling point:	(1,013.25 hPa) Study scientifically not justified.	
Flash point:	Study scientifically not justified.	
Flammability:	Study scientifically not justified. not highly flammable	(other)
Lower explosion limit:	For solids not relevant for classification and labelling.	
Upper explosion limit:	For solids not relevant for classification and labelling.	
Vapour pressure:	Study scientifically not justified.	
Density:	2.633 g/cm3 (20 °C) Literature data.	
Relative density:	2.63 (20 °C) Literature data.	
Bulk density:	1,400 - 1,600 kg/m3	(other)
Partitioning coefficient n- octanol/water (log Pow):	-4 (25 °C)	(OECD Guideline 107)
Thermal decomposition:	500 °C	
Viscosity, dynamic:	not applicable	
Particle size:	D50 257 µm fine particles	(ISO 13320-1)
Solubility in water:	220 g/l (20 °C) Literature data.	
Evaporation rate:	The product is a non-volatile solid.	

10. Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity

Oxidizing properties:

Based on its structural properties the product is not classified as oxidizing.

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Chemical stability

The product is stable if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Reacts with nitrites. Reacts with nitrates. Reacts with oxidizing agents. Generation of sulphur dioxide upon exposure to acids. (or conditions.) The product consumes oxygen.

Conditions to avoid

Avoid humidity. avoid atmospheric oxygen

Incompatible materials

nitrites, nitrates, oxidizing agents, acids

Hazardous decomposition products

Decomposition products:

Hazardous decomposition products: Sulphur dioxide

Thermal decomposition:

500 °C

11. Toxicological information

Primary routes of exposure

Routes of entry for solids and liquids are ingestion and inhalation, but may include eye or skin contact. Routes of entry for gases include inhalation and eye contact. Skin contact may be a route of entry for liquefied gases.

Acute Toxicity/Effects

Acute toxicity

Assessment of acute toxicity: Of low toxicity after single ingestion. Virtually nontoxic by inhalation. Virtually nontoxic after a single skin contact.

Oral

Type of value: LD50

Species: rat

Value: approx. 2,610 mg/kg (OECD Guideline 401)

Inhalation

Type of value: LC50

Species: rat

Value: > 5.5 mg/l (OECD Guideline 403)

Exposure time: 4 h

Tested as dust aerosol.

No mortality was observed.

Dermal

Type of value: LD50

Species: rat (male/female)

Value: > 2,000 mg/kg (OECD Guideline 402)

No mortality was observed.

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Assessment other acute effects

No applicable information available.

Irritation / corrosion

Assessment of irritating effects: Not irritating to eyes and skin.

Skin

Species: rabbit

Result: non-irritant

Method: Draize test

Species: rabbit

Result: non-irritant

Method: similar to OECD guideline 404

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Eye

Species: rabbit

Result: non-irritant

Method: Draize test

Sensitization

Assessment of sensitization: Skin sensitizing effects were not observed in animal studies. A sensitizing effect on particularly sensitive individuals cannot be excluded.

Mouse Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA)

Species: mouse

Result: Non-sensitizing.

Method: OECD Guideline 429

Aspiration Hazard

not applicable

Chronic Toxicity/Effects

Repeated dose toxicity

Assessment of repeated dose toxicity: Repeated oral uptake of the substance did not cause substance-related effects. Repeated inhalative uptake of the substance did not cause substance-related effects. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Genetic toxicity

Assessment of mutagenicity: The substance was not mutagenic in bacteria. The substance was not mutagenic in a test with mammals.

Carcinogenicity

Assessment of carcinogenicity: In long-term studies in rats in which the substance was given by feed, a carcinogenic effect was not observed. The product has not been fully tested. The statements have been derived in parts from products of a similar structure or composition.

Reproductive toxicity

Assessment of reproduction toxicity: The results of animal studies gave no indication of a fertility impairing effect. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition. The chemical structure does not suggest a specific alert for such an effect.

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Teratogenicity

Assessment of teratogenicity: No indications of a developmental toxic / teratogenic effect were seen in animal studies. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Experiences in humans

With sensitive persons it can lead to an over sensitive reaction.

Other Information

Contact with acids liberates toxic gases.

12. Ecological Information

Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity

Assessment of aquatic toxicity:

There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic organisms. The inhibition of the degradation activity of activated sludge is not anticipated when introduced to biological treatment plants in appropriate low concentrations.

Toxicity to fish

LC50 (96 h) 316 mg/l, *Leuciscus idus* (DIN 38412 Part 15, static)

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition. The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration.

Aquatic invertebrates

EC50 (48 h) 59 mg/l, *Daphnia magna* (Directive 79/831/EEC, static)

The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

EC50 (48 h) 230 mg/l, *Daphnia magna* (other, static)

The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Aquatic plants

EC50 (72 h) 31.9 mg/l (growth rate), *Scenedesmus subspicatus* (OECD Guideline 201, static)

The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

EC50 (72 h) > 100 mg/l (growth rate), *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata* (OECD Guideline 201, static)

Nominal concentration. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

Chronic toxicity to fish

No observed effect concentration (34 d) 316 mg/l, *Brachydanio rerio* (OECD Guideline 210, Flow through.)

The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration.

Chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

No observed effect concentration (21 d) > 10 mg/l, *Daphnia magna* (OECD Guideline 211, semistatic)

The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

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Assessment of terrestrial toxicity

No data available.

Study scientifically not justified.

Microorganisms/Effect on activated sludge

Toxicity to microorganisms

OECD Guideline 209 static

activated sludge of a predominantly domestic sewage/EC50 (3 h): > 1,000 mg/l

The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration.

DIN 38412 Part 8 aquatic

bacterium/EC10 (17 h): 260 mg/l

Nominal concentration.

Persistence and degradability

Assessment biodegradation and elimination (H₂O)

Inorganic product which cannot be eliminated from water by biological purification processes.

Elimination information

Study scientifically not justified.

Assessment of stability in water

According to structural properties, hydrolysis is not expected/probable.

Information on Stability in Water (Hydrolysis)

Study scientifically not justified.

Bioaccumulative potential

Assessment bioaccumulation potential

Significant accumulation in organisms is not to be expected.

Bioaccumulation potential

Study scientifically not justified.

Mobility in soil

Assessment transport between environmental compartments

Adsorption to solid soil phase is not expected.

Additional information

Other ecotoxicological advice:

Higher concentrations of the substance may cause a strong chemical oxygen consumption in biological sewage-treatment plants and/or waterways. Inhibition of degradation activity in activated sludge is not to be anticipated during correct introduction of low concentrations.

13. Disposal considerations

Waste disposal of substance:

Dispose of in a licensed facility. Observe all local regulations.

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Container disposal:

Contaminated packaging should be emptied as far as possible; then it can be passed on for recycling after being thoroughly cleaned.

14. Transport Information

Land transport

TDG

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

Sea transport

IMDG

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

Air transport

IATA/ICAO

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

15. Regulatory Information

Federal Regulations

Registration status:

Chemical DSL, CA released / listed

Food DSL, CA released / exempt

NFPA Hazard codes:

Health: 0 Fire: 0 Reactivity: 0 Special:

Assessment of the hazard classes according to UN GHS criteria (most recent version):

Acute Tox.	5 (oral)	Acute toxicity
Aquatic Acute	3	Hazardous to the aquatic environment - acute

16. Other Information

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