

## Classified as hazardous in accordance with the criteria of EPA New Zealand

## **Section 1 - Identification**

**Product Identifier** 

Product Name Sodium Cyanide Powder

Molecular Formula C N Na Molecular Weight 49

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against No Information available

Product Code AJA469

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## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

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HSNO Approval Number HSR002740

**GHS Classification** 

Physical hazards

Substances/mixtures corrosive to metal Category 1

**Health hazards** 

Acute Oral Toxicity Category 1 **Acute Dermal Toxicity** Category 1 Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists Category 1 Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 2 Skin Sensitization Category 1 Reproductive Toxicity Category 2 Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure) Category 1 Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure) Category 1

**Environmental hazards** 

Acute aquatic toxicity Category 1

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Chronic aquatic toxicity Category 1

### **Label Elements**



Signal Word

**Danger** 

### **Hazard Statements**

- H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects
- H290 May be corrosive to metals
- H370 Causes damage to organs
- H372 Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure
- H319 Causes serious eye irritation
- H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction
- H361 Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child
- H300 + H310 + H330 Fatal if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

### **Precautionary Statements**

#### Prevention

- P234 Keep only in original packaging
- P262 Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing
- P264 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
- P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
- P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
- P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
- P284 Wear respiratory protection
- P273 Avoid release to the environment

### Response

- P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
- P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor
- P330 Rinse mouth
- P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage
- P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
- P361 + P364 Take off immediately all contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse
- P391 Collect spillage

## Storage

- P402 Store in a dry place
- P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
- P406 Store in corrosion resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner

### **Disposal**

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

### Other hazards which do not result in classification

Toxic to terrestrial invertebrates

Toxicity to Soil Dwelling Organisms

Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

## **Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Sodium cyanide	143-33-9	>95

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## **Section 4 - First Aid Measures**

**Description of first aid measures** 

**General Advice** Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is

required.

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**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth

method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device.

Immediate medical attention is required.

Eye Contact In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical

advice. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15

minutes.

**Skin Contact** Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical

attention is required.

**Ingestion** Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

Self-Protection of the First Aider Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to

protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.

First Aid Facilities Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.

Most important symptoms and

effects

None reasonably foreseeable.

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically.

## **Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures**

## Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

### Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

### **Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

None under normal use conditions.

## Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

## **Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures**

## Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

### **Emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and

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upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

#### **Environmental Precautions**

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

## Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

## Precautions to prevent secondary hazards

Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations

#### **Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## **Section 7 - Handling and Storage**

## **Precautions for Safe Handling**

### Advice on safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid dust formation. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

## **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

## Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

## **Storage Conditions**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

## **Incompatible Materials**

None known.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

## **Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection**

### Control parameters

## **Exposure limits**

**NZ** - Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor **UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

**ACGIH** - Threshold Limit Values - Ceiling (TLV-C) guidelines by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) for controlling worker exposure to airborne chemical concentrations in the workplace.

Component	New Zealand WEL	Australia	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom
Sodium cyanide	TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		Ceiling: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min
	Skin		Skin	TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr
				Skin

## **Biological limit values**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

## Appropriate engineering controls

## **Engineering Measures**

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Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

## Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye Protection Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) (Australian/New Zealand Standard

AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)

Hand Protection Protective gloves

Glove materialBreakthrough timeGlove thicknessAUS/NZ StandardGlove commentsNatural rubber, NitrileSee manufacturers-AS/NZS 2161(minimum requirement)rubber, Neoprene, PVC.recommendations

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Skin and body protection Long sleeved clothing

Repiratory Protection Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or

other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use

and maintenance of repiratory protective devices

Recommended Filter type: Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

**Recommended half mask:-** Particle filtering: EN149:2001 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Environmental exposure controls** Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water

system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

Solid

## **Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties**

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical State Solid

Appearance Off-white

Odor
Odor Threshold
PH
No data available
Not applicable 11
Melting Point/Range
Softening Point
No data available
Not applicable 11
No data available

**Boiling Point/Range** Not applicable 1497 °C / 2726.6 °F

Flammability (liquid) Not applicable

Flammability (solid,gas) No information available

**Explosion Limits** No data available

Flash Point Not applicable Method - No information available

Autoignition TemperatureNo data availableDecomposition TemperatureNo data available

Viscosity Not applicable Solid

Water Solubility Soluble in water

Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Component log Pow Sodium cyanide -0.44

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Vapor Pressure No data available

Density / Specific Gravity

Bulk Density

Vapor Density

No data available
No data available
Not applicable

Vapor DensityNot applicableSolidParticle characteristicsNo data available

Other information

Molecular Formula C N Na Molecular Weight 49

Evaporation Rate Not applicable - Solid

## **Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity**

Reactivity Yes Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

**Stability** Stable under normal conditions.

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available

Sensitivity to Static Discharge No information available

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

Conditions to Avoid Incompatible products, Excess heat.

Incompatible Materials None known.

Hazardous Decomposition Products None under normal use conditions.

## **Section 11 - Toxicological Information**

## **Acute Effects**

### Information on likely routes of exposure

### **Product Information**

InhalationNot an expected route of exposure.EyesNot an expected route of exposure.

**Skin** No known effect based on information supplied.

**Ingestion** Not an expected route of exposure.

## Numerical measures of toxicity

(a) acute toxicity;

 Oral
 Category 2

 Category 1
 Category 2

 Inhalation
 Category 2

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation	
Sodium cyanide	LD50 = 5.733 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 14.602 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	LC50 = 0.16 mg/L (Rat) 1 h	

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

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(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

**Respiratory**Skin
No data available
No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available

(h) STOT-single exposure; Category 1

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; Category 1

Target Organs No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable

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Symptoms / effects,both acute and delayed

No information available.

## **Section 12 - Ecological Information**

**Ecotoxicity** 

Aquatic ecotoxicity The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Very

toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic

environment.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Sodium cyanide	LC50: 0.0558 - 0.0586 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: 0.0391 - 0.0548 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: = 0.15 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 0.0712 - 0.0936 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 0.17 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: 0.066 - 0.0852 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Lepomis macrochirus)			

Terrestrial ecotoxicity There is no data for this product

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Persistence and Degradability

**Persistence** Persistence is unlikely.

Degradability

Not relevant for inorganic substances.

Degradation in sewage treatment

plant

Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste

water treatment plants.

**Bioaccumulative Potential** 

Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Component	Component log Pow	
Sodium cyanide	-0.44	No data available

Mobility Spillage unlikely to penetrate soil. The product is water soluble, and may spread in water

systems. Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility. Will likely be

mobile in the environment due to its water solubility. Highly mobile in soils

Other adverse effects

**Endocrine Disruptor Information Persistent Organic Pollutant Ozone Depletion Potential** 

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## **Section 13 - Disposal Considerations**

#### Waste treatment methods

Waste from Residues/Unused

**Products** 

Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure

conformity with all applicable regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging** Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

Other Information Disposal agencies or waste contractors must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous

Substances (Disposal) Regulations . Do not flush to sewer. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not

empty into drains. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

## **Section 14 - Transport Information**

Component	Hazchem Code
Sodium cyanide	2X
143-33-9 ( >95 )	

#### NZS 5433:2020

UN1689 **UN-No** 

SODIUM CYANIDE, SOLID **Proper Shipping Name Technical Shipping Name** Sodium Cyanide Powder

**Hazard Class** 6.1 **Packing Group** 

IATA

**UN-No** UN1689

SODIUM CYANIDE, SOLID **Proper Shipping Name** 

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Technical Shipping Name Sodium Cyanide Powder

Hazard Class 6 Packing Group

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1689

Proper Shipping Name SODIUM CYANIDE, SOLID Technical Shipping Name Sodium Cyanide Powder

Hazard Class 6.1 Packing Group

Component	IMDG Marine Pollutant
Sodium cyanide	IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN1689, listed under Sodium
143-33-9 ( >95 )	cyanide, solid); IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN3414, listed
under Sodium cyanide, solution) IMDG regulated marine	
	(UN1588)

**Environmental hazards** Dangerous for the environment

Product is a marine pollutant according to the criteria set by IMDG/IMO

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable, packaged goods

Special Precautions No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods

regulations for additional information.

Additional information None known

## **Section 15 - Regulatory Information**

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

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## **National Regulations**

There are no applicable tolerable exposure limits or environmental exposure limits according to the EPA Controls for Hazardous Substances

#### Certified handlers, tracking and controlled substance license requirements

Certified handlers are required for some substances. This includes substances requiring a controlled substance license, and most explosives, vertebrates toxic agents, and certain fumigants. Acutely toxic substances which are a Category 1 or 2, such as pesticides also require Certified handlers. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information. Tracking is required for some highly hazardous substances. These substances need to be under the control of an appropriately trained person or appropriately secured. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information.

## Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements

Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licencing requirements when they apply.

## **International Regulations**

Ozone Depletion Potential This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

Persistent Organic Pollutant This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

Rotterdam Convention (PIC) Not applicable

Component	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	IMDG Marine Pollutant
Sodium cyanide			IMDG regulated marine pollutant

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	(UN1689, listed under Sodium
	cyanide, solid); IMDG regulated
	marine pollutant (UN3414, listed
	under Sodium cyanide, solution)
	IMDG regulated marine pollutant
	(UN1588)

## Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Γ	Component	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV -	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII -	REACH Regulation (EC
		Substances Subject to	Restrictions on Certain Dangerous	1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate
		Authorization	Substances	List of Substances of Very High
				Concern (SVHC)
Γ	Sodium cyanide	-	Use restricted. See item 75.	-
	•		(see link for restriction details)	

https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach

#### International Inventories

New Zealand (NZIoC), Australia (AICS), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Korea (KECL), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	KECL	IECSC	TCSI
Sodium cyanide	143-33-9	Х	Х	205-599-4	ı	1	KE-31401	Х	Х
Component	CAS No	TSCA	notific	nventory cation - Inactive	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
Sodium cyanide	143-33-9	X	AC.	TIVE	Х	-	X	Х	Х

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do)

## **Section 16 - Other Information**

# This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of the EPA Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020 and WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations

### Legend

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

TWA - Time Weighted Average

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer

NZS 5433:2020 - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land

ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

EC50 - Effective Concentration 50%

WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

VOC - (Volatile Organic Compound)

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

PNEC - Predicted No Effect Concentration

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development **IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime

Dangerous Goods Code

LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%

ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment **NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

## Key literature references and sources for data

HSNO classifications provided in the New Zealand Chemical Classification Information Database (CCID).

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https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS EPA Guide to classifying hazardous substances in New Zealand EPA - Assigning a product to an existing HSNO approval guide

### **Training Advice**

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

Chemical incident response training.

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#### Disclaimer

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## **End of Safety Data Sheet**

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