

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## ZEP APEX PROCESS CLEANER

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### SECTION 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Material name : ZEP APEX PROCESS CLEANER

Material number : 000000000000250385

#### Manufacturer or supplier's details

Company : Zep Inc.

Address : 350 Joe Frank Harris Parkway, SE  
Emerson, GA 30137

Telephone : Compliance Services - 877-428-9937

#### Emergency telephone numbers

**For SDS Information** : Compliance Services - 877-428-9937

**For a Medical Emergency** : 877-541-2016 Toll Free - All Calls Recorded

**For a Transportation Emergency** : CHEMTREC: 800-424-9300 - All Calls Recorded.  
In the District of Columbia 202-483-7616

#### Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

### SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

Appearance	liquid
Colour	clear, green
Odour	mild

#### GHS Classification

Skin corrosion : Category 1

Serious eye damage : Category 1

#### GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms :



Corrosion

Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary statements : **Prevention:**  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.  
**Response:**  
P301 + P330 + P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.  
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off

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immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304 + P340 + P310 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.

P305 + P351 + P338 + P310 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.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

### Disposal:

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

## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Mixture

### Hazardous components

Chemical name	CAS-No.	Concentration [%]
Sulfonic acids, C14-16-alkane hydroxy and C14-16-alkene, sodium salts	68439-57-6	$\geq 1 - < 5$
Sodium metasilicate (disodium salt)	6834-92-0	$\geq 1 - < 3$
sodium xylenesulphonate	1300-72-7	$\geq 1 - < 5$
potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	$\geq 1 - < 3$

The exact percentages of disclosed substances are withheld as trade secrets.

## SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

- General advice : Move out of dangerous area.  
Consult a physician.  
Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.  
Do not leave the victim unattended.
- If inhaled : If unconscious, place in recovery position and seek medical advice.  
If symptoms persist, call a physician.
- In case of skin contact : Immediate medical treatment is necessary as untreated wounds from corrosion of the skin heal slowly and with difficulty.  
Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes.  
Remove contaminated clothing and shoes.  
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.  
If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
- In case of eye contact : Small amounts splashed into eyes can cause irreversible tissue damage and blindness.  
Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

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	<p>Remove contact lenses. Protect unharmed eye. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.</p>
If swallowed	<p>: Keep respiratory tract clear. DO NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by a physician or poison control center. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If symptoms persist, call a physician. Take victim immediately to hospital.</p>
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed	<p>: Effects are dependent on exposure (dose, concentration, contact time). Effects are immediate and delayed. Symptoms may include blistering, irritation, burns, and pain. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Review section 2 of SDS to see all potential hazards.</p>
Notes to physician	<p>: Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.</p>

### SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	: Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	: High volume water jet
Specific hazards during firefighting	: Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.
Hazardous combustion products	: Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) Carbon monoxide Sulphur oxides Smoke
Specific extinguishing methods	: Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
Further information	: Collect contaminated fire extinguishing water separately. This must not be discharged into drains. Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations.
Special protective equipment for firefighters	: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

### SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and	: Use personal protective equipment.
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- emergency procedures
- Environmental precautions : Prevent product from entering drains.  
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.  
If the product contaminates rivers and lakes or drains, inform respective authorities.
- Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Neutralise with acid.  
Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel, acid binder, universal binder, sawdust).  
Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

### SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Advice on safe handling : Do not breathe vapours/dust.  
Avoid contact with skin and eyes.  
For personal protection see section 8.  
Smoking, eating and drinking should be prohibited in the application area.  
To avoid spills during handling keep bottle on a metal tray.  
Dispose of rinse water in accordance with local and national regulations.
- Conditions for safe storage : Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.  
Observe label precautions.  
Electrical installations / working materials must comply with the technological safety standards.
- Materials to avoid : Keep away from oxidizing agents and strongly acid or alkaline materials.

### SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis
potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	C	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	ACGIH
		C	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	NIOSH REL
		C	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	OSHA P0
		C	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	CAL PEL

- Engineering measures : effective ventilation in all processing areas

#### Personal protective equipment

- Respiratory protection : Use respiratory protection unless adequate local exhaust ventilation is provided or exposure assessment demonstrates that exposures are within recommended exposure guidelines.

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Hand protection	
Material	: Protective gloves
Remarks	: The suitability for a specific workplace should be discussed with the producers of the protective gloves.
Eye protection	: Access to clean water to rinse eyes must be available, options include: eye wash stations or showers, or eye wash bottles with pure water. Tightly fitting safety goggles
Skin and body protection	: Impervious clothing Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.
Hygiene measures	: When using do not eat or drink. When using do not smoke. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

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### SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	: liquid
Colour	: clear, green
Odour	: mild
Odour Threshold	: No data available No data available
pH	: 13.63
Melting point/freezing point	: No data available
Boiling point	: not determined
Flash point	: Not applicable
Evaporation rate	: No data available
Upper explosion limit	: No data available
Lower explosion limit	: No data available
Vapour pressure	: No data available
Relative vapour density	: No data available
Density	: 1.067 g/cm3
Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility	: soluble in cold water, soluble in hot water
Solubility in other solvents	: Not applicable
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	: not determined
Thermal decomposition	: No data available

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Viscosity

Viscosity, kinematic : 3.8 mm<sup>2</sup>/s (20 °C)

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### SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	: Stable
Chemical stability	: Stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	: No decomposition if stored and applied as directed.
Conditions to avoid	: No data available
Incompatible materials	: Reducing agents Oxidizing agents Metals Acids
Hazardous decomposition products	: Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) Carbon monoxide Sulphur oxides

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### SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Potential Health Effects

Aggravated Medical Condition	: None known.
Symptoms of Overexposure	: Effects are dependent on exposure (dose, concentration, contact time). Effects are immediate and delayed. Symptoms may include blistering, irritation, burns, and pain. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Review section 2 of SDS to see all potential hazards. Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

#### Carcinogenicity:

IARC	No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
ACGIH	No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.
OSHA	No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

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No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

### Acute toxicity

#### Product:

Acute oral toxicity : Acute toxicity estimate : > 5,000 mg/kg  
Method: Calculation method

Acute dermal toxicity : Acute toxicity estimate : > 5,000 mg/kg  
Method: Calculation method

#### Components:

##### **Sodium metasilicate (disodium salt):**

Acute oral toxicity : LD50 Rat: 1,153 mg/kg

### Skin corrosion/irritation

#### Product:

Remarks: Extremely corrosive and destructive to tissue.

### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

#### Product:

Remarks: May cause irreversible eye damage.

### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

### Carcinogenicity

No data available

### Reproductive toxicity

No data available

### STOT - single exposure

No data available

### STOT - repeated exposure

No data available

### Aspiration toxicity

No data available

### Further information

#### Product:

Remarks: No data available

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### SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Ecotoxicity

No data available

#### Persistence and degradability

No data available

#### Bioaccumulative potential

##### Product:

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water : Remarks: No data available

#### Mobility in soil

No data available

#### Other adverse effects

No data available

##### Product:

Regulation 40 CFR Protection of Environment; Part 82 Protection of Stratospheric Ozone - CAA Section 602 Class I Substances

Remarks This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

Additional ecological information : No data available

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### SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### Disposal methods

Waste from residues : Do not dispose of waste into sewer.  
Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used container.  
Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

Contaminated packaging : Empty remaining contents.  
Dispose of as unused product.  
Do not re-use empty containers.



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### SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Transportation Regulation: 49 CFR (USA):  
UN3266, Corrosive liquid, basic, inorganic, n.o.s., (POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE), 8, II

Transportation Regulation: IMDG (Vessel):  
UN3266, CORROSIVE LIQUID, BASIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S., (POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE), 8, II

Transportation Regulation: IATA (Cargo Air):  
UN3266, Corrosive liquid, basic, inorganic, n.o.s., (POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE), 8, II

Transportation Regulation: IATA (Passenger Air):  
UN3266, Corrosive liquid, basic, inorganic, n.o.s., (POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE), 8, II

Transportation Regulation: TDG (Canada):  
UN3266, CORROSIVE LIQUID, BASIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S., (POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE), 8, II

The product as delivered to the customer conforms to packaging requirements for shipment by road under US Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations. Additional transportation classifications noted above are for reference only, and not a certification or warranty of the suitability of the packaging for shipment under these alternative transport regulations.

### SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**TSCA list** : No substances are subject to a Significant New Use Rule.

No substances are subject to TSCA 12(b) export notification requirements.

#### EPCRA - Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act

##### CERCLA Reportable Quantity

Components	CAS-No.	Component RQ (lbs)	Calculated product RQ (lbs)
potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	1000	*

\*: Calculated RQ exceeds reasonably attainable upper limit.

##### SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards** : Skin corrosion or irritation  
Serious eye damage or eye irritation

**SARA 302** : No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313** : This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

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### **California Prop. 65**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

### **The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:**

<b>DSL</b>	All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL
<b>TSCA</b>	On TSCA Inventory

For information on the country notification status for other regions please contact the manufacturer's regulatory group.

### **Inventory Acronym and Validity Area Legend:**

TSCA (USA), DSL (Canada), NDSL (Canada)

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## **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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### Further information

#### NFPA:

HEALTH	3
FLAMMABILITY	0
INSTABILITY	0
SPECIAL HAZARD.	

0 = not significant, 1 = Slight,  
2 = Moderate, 3 = High  
4 = Extreme

#### HMIS III:

HEALTH	3
FLAMMABILITY	0
PHYSICAL HAZARD	0

0 = not significant, 1 = Slight,  
2 = Moderate, 3 = High  
4 = Extreme, \* = Chronic

### OSHA - GHS Label Information:

Hazard pictograms



Corrosion

Signal word

: **Danger:**

Hazard statements

: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary statements

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**Prevention:** Wash skin thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.  
**Response:** IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. 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. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

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