



## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Sodium hydroxide

**Cat No. :** AC451130000; AC451130050; AC451130250

**Synonyms** Caustic soda

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** No Information available

**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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Fisher Scientific  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

**Entity / Business Name**  
Acros Organics  
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Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 /  
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**CHEMTREC** Tel. No.**US**:001-800-424-9300 /  
**Europe**:001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### **Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Corrosive to metals  
Skin Corrosion/irritation  
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation  
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)  
Target Organs - Respiratory system.

Category 1  
Category 1 A  
Category 1  
Category 3

#### **Label Elements**

##### **Signal Word**

Danger

##### **Hazard Statements**

May be corrosive to metals  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
May cause respiratory irritation



**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
Keep only in original container

**Response**

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

**Inhalation**

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

**Skin**

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower  
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

**Eyes**

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

**Ingestion**

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting

**Spills**

Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

**Storage**

Store locked up  
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner  
Store in a dry place

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

None identified

### 3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	100

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	Immediate medical attention is required. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required. Keep eye wide open while rinsing.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with a respiratory medical device. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do not induce vomiting. Immediate medical attention is required. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Drink plenty of water.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects</b>	Causes burns by all exposure routes. . Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media** CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media** Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), Water

**Flash Point** No information available  
**Method -** No information available

**Autoignition Temperature**

**Explosion Limits**

**Upper** No data available  
**Lower** No data available  
**Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact** No information available  
**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Sodium oxides Hydrogen

### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

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.

### NFPA

**Health**  
3

**Flammability**  
0

**Instability**  
1

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal Precautions** Use personal protective equipment. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.

**Environmental Precautions** Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Avoid dust formation. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Handling** Wear personal protective equipment. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest.

**Storage** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Sodium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWAEV
Sodium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	CEV: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

### Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

**Engineering Measures** Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

### Personal Protective Equipment

**Eye/face Protection** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166. Tightly fitting safety goggles. Face-shield.

**Skin and body protection** Long sleeved clothing.

**Respiratory Protection** Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

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

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	White
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	14 (5 %)
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	318 °C / 604.4 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	1390 °C / 2534 °F @ 760 mmHg
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not flammable
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	1 mbar @ 700 °C
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	No information available
<b>Bulk Density</b>	2.13 g/cm3
<b>Solubility</b>	Soluble in water
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	H Na O
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	40

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	Yes
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Acids, Metals, Water,
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Sodium oxides, Hydrogen
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

**Product Information** No acute toxicity information is available for this product

### Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Sodium hydroxide	Not listed	1350 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	Not listed

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

**Irritation** Causes severe burns by all exposure routes

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** Mutagenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** Respiratory system

**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains. Contains a substance which is: Harmful to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Sodium hydroxide	Not listed	45.4 mg/L LC50 96 h	Not listed	Not listed

**Persistence and Degradability** Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

**DOT**

UN-No UN1823  
 Proper Shipping Name SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

**TDG**

UN-No UN1823  
 Proper Shipping Name SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

**IATA**

UN-No UN1823  
 Proper Shipping Name Sodium hydroxide, solid  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

**IMDG/IMO**

UN-No UN1823  
 Proper Shipping Name Sodium hydroxide, solid  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

## 15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

**International Inventories**

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Sodium hydroxide	X	X	-	215-185-5	-		X	X	X	X	X

**Legend:**

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

**U.S. Federal Regulations**

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313 Not applicable

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization**

Acute Health Hazard Yes  
 Chronic Health Hazard Yes  
 Fire Hazard No  
 Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard No  
 Reactive Hazard Yes

**Clean Water Act**

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants

Sodium hydroxide	X	1000 lb	-	-
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**Clean Air Act** Not applicable

**OSHA** Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Not applicable

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Sodium hydroxide	1000 lb	-

**California Proposition 65** This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

**State Right-to-Know**

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Sodium hydroxide	X	X	X	-	X

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Y  
DOT Marine Pollutant N  
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

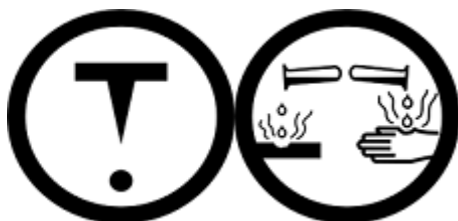
**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** No information available

**Canada**

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

**WHMIS Hazard Class** E Corrosive material  
D2B Toxic materials



## 16. Other information

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**Revision Summary** This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS)

**Disclaimer**

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**End of SDS**