

# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:**
- **Article number:** 2574
- **Application of the substance / the mixture** Water treatment
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**

- **Information department:** Product safety department.
- **Emergency telephone number:**

## 2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**



GHS05 Corrosion

Skin Corr. 1A H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
 Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.

- **Label elements**

- **GHS label elements**

The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

- **Hazard pictograms** GHS05
- **Signal word** Danger

- **Hazard-determining components of labeling:**

Sodium hydroxide

- **Hazard statements**

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

- **Precautionary statements**

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

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

If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.

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

- **Classification system:**

- **NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



Health = 3

Fire = 0

Reactivity = 0

- **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



Health = 4

Fire = 0

Reactivity = 0

- **Other hazards**

- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

- **PBT:** Not applicable.

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· **vPvB:** Not applicable.

### 3 Composition/information on ingredients

- **Chemical characterization: Mixtures**
- **Description:** Mixture of the substances listed below with nonhazardous additions.

- **Dangerous components:**

1310-73-2	Sodium hydroxide	25-50%
497-19-8	Sodium carbonate	25-50%

### 4 First-aid measures

- **Description of first aid measures**
- **General information:** Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.
- **After inhalation:** Supply fresh air; consult doctor in case of complaints.
- **After skin contact:**  
DO NOT DELAY!  
Immediately rinse with water.  
If skin irritation continues, consult a doctor.
- **After eye contact:**  
DO NOT DELAY!  
Check for and remove any contact lenses.  
Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing:**  
DO NOT DELAY!  
Drink copious amounts of water and provide fresh air. Immediately call a doctor.  
Do not induce vomiting; immediately call for medical help.  
If vomiting occurs spontaneously, keep head below hips to prevent aspiration.
- **Information for doctor:** Treat symptomatically and supportively.
- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.
- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**  
No further relevant information available.

### 5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:** Use fire fighting measures that suit the environment.
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** No further relevant information available.
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:**  
Do not inhale explosion gases or combustion gases.  
Wear self-contained respiratory protective device.  
Wear fully protective suit.
- **Additional information** Cool endangered receptacles with water spray.

### 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Ensure adequate ventilation  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.  
Avoid formation of dust.
- **Environmental precautions:** Do not allow to penetrate the ground/soil.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Pick up mechanically.

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- Send for recovery or disposal in suitable receptacles.
- Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **Reference to other sections**
- See Section 7 for information on safe handling.
- See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
- See Section 13 for disposal information.

### 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**
- Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.
- Prevent formation of dust.
- Avoid direct contact (skin/eye contact, ingestion and/or inhalation of fume/mist/dust) with the product.
- Safety showers and eye wash facilities should be available at the work area.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:**
- Prevent any seepage into the ground.
- Do not store in aluminium, copper, zinc containers.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Store away from foodstuffs.
- **Further information about storage conditions:**
- Keep receptacle tightly sealed.
- Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed receptacles.
- Store in a banded area.
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

### 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.
- **Control parameters**
- **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**
- The following constituents are the only constituents of the product which have a PEL, TLV or other recommended exposure limit.
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- At this time, the remaining constituent has no known exposure limits.

#### 1310-73-2 Sodium hydroxide

PEL	Long-term value: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
REL	Ceiling limit value: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
TLV	Ceiling limit value: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.
- **Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment:**
- **General protective and hygienic measures:**
- Do not eat, drink, smoke or sniff while working.
- Take note of assigned Workplace Exposure Limits.
- Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.
- Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.
- Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.
- Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.
- Do not inhale dust / smoke / mist.

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- **Breathing equipment:**

Use suitable respiratory protective device in case of insufficient ventilation.

Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

If respiratory protection is required, institute a complete respiratory protection program including selection, fit testing, training, maintenance and inspection.

- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.

Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

- **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer. As the product is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.

- **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

- **Eye protection:**



Tightly sealed goggles

- **Body protection:**

Alkaline resistant protective clothing

Body protection must be chosen depending on product properties, activity and possible exposure.

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

- **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

- **General Information**

- **Appearance:**

**Form:** Solid  
**Color:** White

- **Odor:** Mild

- **Odor threshold:** Not determined.

- **pH-value (40 g/l) at 20 °C (68 °F):** 12

- **Change in condition**

**Melting point/Melting range:** Undetermined.

**Boiling point/Boiling range:** Undetermined.

- **Flash point:** Not applicable.

- **Flammability (solid, gaseous):** Not determined.

- **Ignition temperature:**

**Decomposition temperature:** Not determined.

- **Auto igniting:** Product is not selfigniting.

- **Danger of explosion:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.

- **Explosion limits:**

**Lower:** Not determined.

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<b>Upper:</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Vapor pressure:</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Density at 20 °C (68 °F):</b>	1.9 g/cm <sup>3</sup> (15.856 lbs/gal)
· <b>Relative density</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Vapor density</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Solubility in / Miscibility with Water:</b>	Soluble.
· <b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Viscosity:</b>	
<b>Dynamic:</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Kinematic:</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Other information</b>	No further relevant information available.

### 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**  
No decomposition if used and stored according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions**  
The product is a strong base, it reacts violently with acid and is corrosive in moist air to metals like zinc, aluminium, tin and lead forming a combustible/explosive gas (hydrogen).  
Reacts with ammonium salts to produce ammonia, causing fire hazard. Attacks some forms of plastics, rubber or coatings.
- **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **Incompatible materials:**  
Strong acids.  
Substances specifically listed in section 10.3 as incompatible.

### 11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**
- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.
- **on the eye:**  
Strong caustic effect.  
Strong irritant with the danger of severe eye injury.
- **Other information (about experimental toxicology):**  
Inhalation of an aerosol of the product may cause lung oedema. The symptoms of lung oedema often do not become manifest until a few hours have passed and they are aggravated by physical effort. Rest and medical observation are therefore essential.
- **Additional toxicological information:**  
The product shows the following dangers according to internally approved calculation methods for preparations:  
Corrosive  
Irritant  
Swallowing will lead to a strong caustic effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.

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**ROUTES OF EXPOSURE:** Serious local effects by all routes of exposure.

**EFFECTS OF SHORT-TERM EXPOSURE:** The product is corrosive to the eyes, the skin and the respiratory tract. Corrosive on ingestion.

· **Carcinogenic categories**

· **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

## 12 Ecological information

· **Toxicity**

· **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.

· **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.

· **Behavior in environmental systems:**

· **Bioaccumulative potential** Product is not expected to bioaccumulate.

· **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.

· **Additional ecological information:**

· **General notes:**

Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Must not reach bodies of water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralized.

· **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

· **PBT:** Not applicable.

· **vPvB:** Not applicable.

· **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal considerations

· **Waste treatment methods**

· **Recommendation:**

Recommended Hierarchy of Controls:

- Minimise waste;
- Reuse if not contaminated;
- Recycle, if possible; or
- Safe disposal (if all else fails).

Contact waste processors for recycling information.

Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.

Used, degraded or contaminated product may be classified as hazardous waste. Anyone classifying hazardous waste and determining its fate must be qualified in accordance with state and international legislation.

· **Uncleaned packagings:**

· **Recommendation:**

Container remains hazardous when empty. Continue to observe all precautions.

Do not mix with other waste streams.

· **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

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## 14 Transport information

<b>· UN-Number</b>	UN3262
<b>· DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>	
<b>· UN proper shipping name</b>	Corrosive solid, basic, inorganic, n.o.s. mixture
<b>· DOT</b>	3262 Corrosive solid, basic, inorganic, n.o.s. mixture
<b>· ADR</b>	CORROSIVE SOLID, BASIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S. mixture
<b>· IMDG, IATA</b>	
<b>· Transport hazard class(es)</b>	
<b>· DOT</b>	
	
<b>· Class</b>	8 Corrosive substances
<b>· Label</b>	8
<b>· ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>	
	
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<b>· Label</b>	8
<b>· Packing group</b>	II
<b>· DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>	
<b>· Environmental hazards:</b>	Not applicable.
<b>· Special precautions for user</b>	Warning: Corrosive substances
<b>· Danger code (Kemler):</b>	80
<b>· EMS Number:</b>	F-A,S-B
<b>· Segregation groups</b>	Alkalis
<b>· Stowage Category</b>	B
<b>· Segregation Code</b>	SG35 Stow "separated from" acids.
<b>· Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code</b>	Not applicable.
<b>· Transport/Additional information:</b>	
<b>· ADR</b>	
<b>· Excepted quantities (EQ)</b>	Code: E2 Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 g Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 g
<b>· IMDG</b>	
<b>· Limited quantities (LQ)</b>	1 kg
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<b>· UN "Model Regulation":</b>	UN 3262 CORROSIVE SOLID, BASIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S. MIXTURE, 8, II

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## 15 Regulatory information

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

- Sara

- **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):**

None of the ingredient is listed.

- **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):**

All ingredients are listed.

- **Proposition 65**

- **Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Carcinogenicity categories**

- **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **TLV (Threshold Limit Value established by ACGIH)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **GHS label elements**

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- **Hazard pictograms** GHS05

- **Signal word** Danger

- **Hazard-determining components of labeling:**

Sodium hydroxide

- **Hazard statements**

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- **Precautionary statements**

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Continue rinsing.

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IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.

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

- **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

## 16 Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

- **Date of preparation / last revision** 04/29/2016 / -

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**Abbreviations and acronyms:**

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)  
IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods  
DOT: US Department of Transportation  
IATA: International Air Transport Association  
ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances  
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)  
NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)  
HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)  
VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds (USA, EU)  
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent  
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic  
vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative  
NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety  
OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health  
TLV: Threshold Limit Value  
PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit  
REL: Recommended Exposure Limit  
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent  
BEI: Biological Exposure Limit  
Skin Corr. 1A: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1A  
Eye Dam. 1: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 1

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