

AUSTRALIAN CHEMICAL REAGENTS  
**SAFETY DATA SHEET**

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## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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Product Name: Sodium Hydroxide 0.03 Normal  
Product Code: 3365  
Other Names: Sodium hydroxide 0.03 Molar  
Uses: Analytical Reagent

Supplier: Australian Chemical Reagents  
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## 2. HAZARDS INFORMATION

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**Hazard classification:** Classified as non-Hazardous according to the Globally Harmonised System of classification and labelling of Chemicals (GHS) including Work, Health and Safety regulations, Australia.

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## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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### Ingredients :

Chemical Entity	CAS No	Proportion
Sodium hydroxide	[1310-73-2]	<0.2%
Water	[7732-18-5]	to 100%

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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Safety showers and eye wash facilities should be provided.

### **Swallowed :**

If conscious wash out mouth with water. Seek medical advice. Show this SDS to medical practitioner.

### **Eye :**

Immediately hold eyelids open and flood with water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical aid. Show this SDS to medical practitioner.

### **Skin :**

Remove contaminated clothing. Immediately wash skin thoroughly with water and mild soap. Seek medical advice if irritation persists. Show this SDS to medical practitioner. Launder clothing before reuse.

### **Inhaled :**

Remove from contaminated air. Maintain breathing with artificial respiration if necessary. Seek medical assistance. Show this SDS to a doctor.

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## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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### **Suitable Extinguishing Media:**

Water spray. Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

### **Hazards From Combustion Products:**

Sodium hydroxide and its solutions will not burn or support combustion. However contact with aluminium, zinc or tin may generate explosive hydrogen gas. Decomposition products include sodium oxide.

### **Precautions For Fire Fighters and Special Protective Equipment:**

Fire fighters and others who may be exposed to combustion products during fire should wear full protective clothing including positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Wear SCBA with full face-piece, operated in positive pressure mode when fighting fires.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Emergency procedures:

Prevent from entering waterways. Restrict access to area. Remove chemicals that can react with the spilled material. Spills are slippery.

### Methods and materials for containment and clean up:

Use inert material such as sand or earth to contain spill or leak. Absorb spills with chemical absorber or vermiculite and dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for Safe Handling:

Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

### Conditions for Safe Storage:

Store sealed in original container in a cool well ventilated situation away from foods and other chemicals. Do not store in direct sunlight. Observe good hygiene and housekeeping practices.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### National Exposure Standards:

Safe Work Australia – Sodium hydroxide 2mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA & Peak Limitation

**Biological Limit Values:** No data available.

### Engineering Controls:

Not required with normal use. If mists are likely to be generated maintain atmospheric concentrations well below exposure standards with extraction ventilation.

### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):

The use of nitrile or neoprene gloves complying with AS 2161 and the use of faceshield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection complying with AS/NZS 1337 is recommended.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance :	Clear liquid
Odour:	Nil
pH:	14
Boiling Point (°C) :	Not applicable
Freezing/melting Point:	Not applicable
Vapour Pressure (mm of Hg @ 25°C) :	Not applicable
Vapour Density:	Not applicable
Specific Gravity :	1
Flash Point (°C) :	Not flammable
Flammability Limits (%) :	Not flammable
Solubility in Water (g/L) :	Soluble

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability:

Stable.

### Conditions to avoid:

Exposure to air. Absorbs carbon dioxide

### Incompatible materials:

Acids, organic materials, chlorinated solvents, aluminum, phosphorus, tin and zinc.

**Hazardous decomposition products:**

Refer to section 5 (Fire Fighting Measures).

**Hazardous reactions:**

Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

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**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**Health Effects:**

**Swallowed** : May be irritating to tissue. Ingestion may cause vomiting, diarrhoea, collapse and possibly death. For sodium hydroxide LD50 oral - rabbits 500mg/kg.

**Eye** : May be irritating to eye tissue. Causes severe burns and possible permanent damage. For sodium hydroxide 100mg rinse produced severe irritation of rabbit eyes.

**Skin** : May be irritating to skin tissue. Causes severe burns with possible ulceration. 500mg of sodium hydroxide produced severe irritation of rabbit skin after 24hrs.

**Inhaled** : May be irritating to respiratory tissue. Inhalation of mists may be fatal as a result of spasm, inflammation and oedema of the larynx and bronchi, chemical pneumonitis and pulmonary oedema.

**Chronic Effects:** No data available.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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**Ecotoxicity:**

No data available.

**Persistence and degradability:**

No data available.

**Mobility:**

No data available.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Observe all federal, state and local environmental regulations.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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**UN Number:** 1824

**UN Proper Shipping Name:** SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

**Class and subsidiary risk(s):** 8

**Packing Group:** 111

**Hazchem Code:** 2R

**Special precautions for user** : Nil

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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**Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons (SUSDP):**

Nil

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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