

Safety Data Sheet SODIUM SILICATE Solution

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SECTION 1: Identification

GHS Product identifier

Product name SODIUM SILICATE Solution

Product number ST015

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Catalysts and silica gels, soaps and detergents, adhesives (especially sealing and laminating paper board containers), water treatment, bleaching and sizing of textiles and paper pulp, ore treatment, soil solidification, glass foam, pigments, drilling fluids, binder for abrasive wheels, foundry cores and molds, waterproofing mortars and cements, impregnating wood, flame retardant, enhanced oil recovery and analytical chemistry.

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SECTION 2: Hazard identification

General hazard statement

Not classified as dangerous goods according to the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG).

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

Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS classification in accordance with: UN GHS revision 7

- Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Cat. 2
- Skin corrosion/irritation, Cat. 2

GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictograms



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Signal word

Hazard statement(s)

H315
H319

Warning

Causes skin irritation
Causes serious eye irritation

Precautionary statement(s)

P264
P280
P302+P352
P305+P351+P338

P332+P313
P337+P313
P362+P364

Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water/soap
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Mixtures

Component	Identification	Weight %
Sodium silicate	CAS no.: 1344-09-8 EC no.: 215-687-4	30 - 60 %
Water	CAS no.: 7732-18-5 EC no.: 231-791-2	40 - 70 %

SECTION 4: First-aid measures

Description of necessary first-aid measures

General advice

First Aid Facilities: Maintain eyewash fountain in work area.

If inhaled

If inhaled, remove from contaminated area to fresh air immediately. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid if cough or other symptoms appear.

In case of skin contact

Rinse with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

In case of eye contact

Rinse cautiously with water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a poison center or doctor.

Acute and delayed symptoms and effects: Causes serious eye damage. Signs/symptoms may include cloudy appearance of the cornea, chemical burns, severe pain, tearing, ulcerations, significantly impaired vision or complete loss of vision.

If swallowed

Rinse mouth thoroughly with water immediately, repeat until all traces of product have been removed. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

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Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

For advice, contact the National Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 13 11 26; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor.

SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media

Small fire: Use dry chemical, CO₂ or water spray. If safe to do so, move undamaged containers from fire area.

Large fire: Use dry chemical, CO₂, foam or water spray - Do not use water jets.

Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out. Avoid getting water inside containers.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

May liberate toxic fumes in fire including oxides of silicon and sodium.

Material does not burn. Fire or heat will produce irritating, poisonous and/or corrosive gases. Containers may explode when heated. Some may ignite combustibles (wood, paper, clothing, etc.) Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas.

Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Wear SCBA and chemical splash suit. Fully-encapsulating, gas-tight suits should be worn for maximum protection. Structural firefighter's uniform is NOT effective for these materials.

Further information

Flammable hydrogen gas may be produced on prolonged contact with metals such as aluminium, tin, lead and zinc.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Dries to form glass film which can easily cut skin. Spilled liquids are very slippery.

Environmental precautions

Sinks and mixes with water. Liquid is alkaline and may increase the pH. High pH can be harmful to aquatic life. Avoid release into water systems and sewers.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist. For precautions see section 2.2.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Corrosive to some metals such as aluminium, tin, lead and zinc. May be mildly corrosive to human tissues.

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

Appropriate engineering controls

Use ventilation adequate to keep exposures (airborne levels of dust, fume, vapor, gas, etc.) below recommended exposure limits.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

Eye/face protection

The use of a face shield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection as appropriate. Must comply with Australian Standards AS 1337 and be selected and used in accordance with AS 1336.

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Skin protection

Clean impervious clothing should be worn. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against Hazardous Chemicals.

Body protection

Footwear: Safety boots in industrial situations is advisory, foot protection should comply with AS 2210, Occupational protective footwear - Guide to selection, care and use.

Body Protection: Clean clothing or protective clothing should be worn, preferably with and apron. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against Hazardous Chemicals.

Respiratory protection

If engineering controls are not effective in controlling airborne exposure then an approved respirator with a replaceable vapor/ mist filter should be used. Refer to relevant regulations for further information concerning respiratory protective requirements. Reference should be made to Australian Standards AS/ NZS 1715, Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices; and AS/ NZS 1716, Respiratory Protective Devices, in order to make any necessary changes for individual circumstances.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

Basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	Liquid
Appearance	Clear to hazy colourless, viscous liquid.
Color	Colourless
Odor	Odourless.
Odor threshold	No data available.
Melting point/freezing point	Below 0 °C
Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range	105 - 108°C at 100 kPa
Flammability	No data available.
Lower and upper explosion limit/ flammability limit	No data available.
Flash point	Does not burn
Explosive properties	No data available.
Auto-ignition temperature	N/A - does not burn.
Decomposition temperature	No data available.
Oxidizing properties	No data available.
pH	pH 11-13 (depending on concentration).
Kinematic viscosity	Viscosity: 20 - 5000 cP @ 20 °C
Solubility	Solubility in Water: Soluble.
Partition coefficient n-octanol/ water (log value)	No data available.
Vapor pressure	18 mmHg at 20 °C

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Evaporation rate	No data available.
Density and/or relative density	Specific Gravity: 1.2 - 1.7 (depends upon concentration)
Relative vapor density	No data available.
Particle characteristics	No data available.

Supplemental information regarding physical hazard classes

No data available.

Further safety characteristics (supplemental)

Other Information: Absorbs carbon dioxide on exposure to air, which results in the deposition of insoluble silica.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

Stable under normal conditions of storage and handling.

Chemical stability

Stable in sealed containers. absorbs carbon dioxide on exposure to air, resulting in the deposition of insoluble silica.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

May react with ammonium salts to produce ammonia gas. Forms gels and generates heat when mixed with acids. Forms flammable hydrogen gas when in contact with aluminium, zinc, copper etc.

Conditions to avoid

Strong heating, resulting in irritating sodium silicate mists. Leaving solutions exposed to carbon dioxide in the air. Prolonged storage above 50°C or below 10°C.

Incompatible materials

Fluorine, mineral acids, organic acids, organic materials. May produce hydrogen gas on prolonged contact with metals. Gels when mixed with acids.

Will react exothermically with acids. Unsuitable Container Materials: Sodium Silicate solutions are strongly alkaline and are not compatible with aluminium, copper, brass, bronze, zinc, tin and lead. Can etch glass if not promptly removed.

Hazardous decomposition products

Silicon oxide, sodium oxide.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

Acute Toxicity - Oral: LD50 (rat): >3000 mg/kg

Ingestion: Swallowing can result in nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain and diarrhoea. May cause severe irritation to the mouth, throat and stomach.

Inhalation: Exposure to vapours at room temperature is an unlikely route of exposure due to its low vapour pressure. Spray mist will cause respiratory irritation and may result in coughing as well as inflammation of nose, throat and windpipe.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Irritant. May cause redness and pain. May cause deep penetration ulcers of the skin.

Serious eye damage/irritation

A severe eye irritant. May cause conjunctivitis (inflammation of the eyes) and possibly corneal burns and ulceration.

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Respiratory or skin sensitization

Not classified based on available information.

Germ cell mutagenicity

Not classified based on available information.

Carcinogenicity

Not classified based on available information.

Reproductive toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - single exposure

Not classified based on available information.

Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - repeated exposure

Not classified based on available information.

Aspiration hazard

Not classified based on available information.

Additional information

[2K] Chronic Effects: Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause dermatitis.

Sodium silicate: rabbit LD50 skin > 4640mg/kg (4640mg/kg) BEHAVIORAL: SOMNOLENCE (GENERAL DEPRESSED ACTIVITY)

LUNGS, THORAX, OR RESPIRATION: DYSPNEA National Technical Information Service. Vol. OTS0571941,
rat LD50 oral 1960mg/kg (1960mg/kg) National Technical Information Service. Vol. OTS0571941,

SECTION 12: Ecological information

Toxicity

Acute Toxicity - Fish: LC50 (96h) = 210mg/l , Danio rerio, Na, MR 1.0
LC50 (96h) = 260-310mg/l , Oncorhynchus mykiss, Na, MR 3.1

[8Y] Acute Toxicity - Daphnia: EC50 (48h) = 1700mg/l, Daphnia Magna, Na, MR 3.2

Persistence and degradability

Diluted material rapidly depolymerises to yield dissolved silica in a form that is indistinguishable from natural dissolved silica.

Bioaccumulative potential

No bioaccumulation is to be expected.

Mobility in soil

Expected to be mobile in soil. Diluted material rapidly depolymerises to yield dissolved silica in a form that is indistinguishable from natural dissolved silica.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

Disposal methods

Product disposal

Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers.

Waste treatment

After dilution or neutralization may be landfilled. Not suitable for incineration.

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Sewage disposal

No bioaccumulation is to be expected.

Other disposal recommendations

Do not discharge this material into waterways, drains and sewers.

SECTION 14: Transport information

ADG (Road and Rail)

Not dangerous goods

IMDG

Not dangerous goods

IATA

Not dangerous goods

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question

Australia SUSMP

Poison Schedule: S5

Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL)

Chemical name: Silicic acid, sodium salt

CAS: 1344-09-8

SECTION 16: Other information

Further information/disclaimer

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