

SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product identifier: SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTIONS

Other means of identification

CAS No.: 1310-73-2

Recommended use and restriction on use

Recommended use: Not available.

Restrictions on use: Not known.

Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor Information

Manufacturer

Company Name: Quality Environmental Containers, Inc.
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Beaver, WV 25813

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Chemtrec: 800-424-9300

2. Hazard(s) identification

Hazard Classification

Health Hazards

Acute toxicity (Oral)	Category 4
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1A
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1

Label Elements

Hazard Symbol:



Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statement: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Harmful if swallowed.

Precautionary Statement

Prevention: Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this

product.

Response: IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Storage: Store locked up.

Disposal: Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.

Other hazards which do not result in GHS classification: None.

3. Composition/information on ingredients

Mixtures

Chemical Identity	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	Content in percent (%)*
SODIUM HYDROXIDE		1310-73-2	9 - 20%

* All concentrations are percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

4. First-aid measures

General information: Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

Ingestion: Rinse mouth thoroughly. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Inhalation: Move to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately.

Skin Contact: Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation persists after washing. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Eye contact: Flush thoroughly with water. If irritation occurs, get medical assistance.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Symptoms: Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treatment: Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

5. Fire-fighting measures

General Fire Hazards: In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes.

Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media: Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.

Unsuitable extinguishing media: None.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical: During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed.

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Special fire fighting procedures: Move containers from fire area if you can do so without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters: Firefighters must use standard protective equipment including flame retardant coat, helmet with face shield, gloves, rubber boots, and in enclosed spaces, SCBA.

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures: Keep unauthorized personnel away. Use personal protective equipment. See Section 8 of the MSDS for Personal Protective Equipment.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up: Absorb spill with vermiculite or other inert material, then place in a container for chemical waste. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Notification Procedures: Inform authorities if large amounts are involved. Prevent runoff from entering drains, sewers, or streams.

Environmental Precautions: Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling: Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid breathing mist or vapor. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes. Avoid contact with skin. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities: Keep container tightly closed. Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a well-ventilated place.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Control Parameters

Occupational Exposure Limits

Chemical Identity	Type	Exposure Limit Values	Source
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	Ceiling	2 mg/m3	US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (2011)
	Ceil_Time	2 mg/m3	US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards (2010)
	PEL	2 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) (02 2006)
	Ceiling	2 mg/m3	US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) (1989)
	Ceiling	2 mg/m3	US. Tennessee. OELs. Occupational Exposure Limits, Table Z1A (06 2008)
SODIUM HYDROXIDE - Particulate.	ST ESL	20 µg/m3	US. Texas. Effects Screening Levels (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) (02 2013)
	AN ESL	2 µg/m3	US. Texas. Effects Screening Levels (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) (02 2013)
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	Ceiling	2 mg/m3	US. California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Section 5155. Airborne Contaminants (08 2010)

Appropriate Engineering Controls

No data available.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

General information: Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level.

Eye/face protection: Use eye protection.

Skin Protection

Hand Protection: Wear protective gloves.

Other: Wear suitable protective clothing.

Respiratory Protection: In case of inadequate ventilation use suitable respirator.

Hygiene measures: Provide eyewash station and safety shower. Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing to remove contaminants. Discard contaminated footwear that cannot be cleaned.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical state: Liquid
Form: Liquid
Color: Colorless
Odor: Odorless
Odor threshold: No data available.
pH: 14
Melting point/freezing point: -10 - 1 °C
Initial boiling point and boiling range: 110 - 115 °C

Flash Point:	Not applicable
Evaporation rate:	No data available.
Flammability (solid, gas):	No data available.
Upper/lower limit on flammability or explosive limits	
Flammability limit - upper (%):	No data available.
Flammability limit - lower (%):	No data available.
Explosive limit - upper (%):	No data available.
Explosive limit - lower (%):	No data available.
Vapor pressure:	No data available.
Vapor density:	No data available.
Relative density:	No data available.
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility in water:	Miscible with water.
Solubility (other):	No data available.
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	No data available.
Auto-ignition temperature:	No data available.
Decomposition temperature:	No data available.
Viscosity:	No data available.

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity:	Reacts violently with strong acids.
Chemical Stability:	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Conditions to Avoid:	Heat, sparks, flames. Water, moisture. Contact with acids. Contact with incompatible materials.
Incompatible Materials:	Strong oxidizing agents. Acids. Nitromethane. Organic peroxides/hydroperoxides. Aluminum. Metals. Halogens. Sodium hydroxide.
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	Sodium oxides

11. Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Ingestion:	Harmful if swallowed.
Inhalation:	May be harmful if inhaled.
Skin Contact:	Causes severe skin burns.
Eye contact:	Causes serious eye damage.

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (list all possible routes of exposure)

Oral	
Product:	ATEmix (): 1,182 mg/kg
Dermal	
Product:	ATEmix (): 12,273 mg/kg

Inhalation
Product: No data available.

Repeated Dose Toxicity
Product: No data available.

Skin Corrosion/Irritation
Product: Causes severe skin burns.

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation
Product: Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or Skin Sensitization
Product: Not a skin sensitizer.

Carcinogenicity
Product: This substance has no evidence of carcinogenic properties.

IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans:
No carcinogenic components identified

US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens:
No carcinogenic components identified

US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050):
No carcinogenic components identified

Germ Cell Mutagenicity

In vitro
Product: No mutagenic components identified

In vivo
Product: No mutagenic components identified

Reproductive Toxicity
Product: No components toxic to reproduction

Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure
Product: No data available.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure
Product: No data available.

Aspiration Hazard
Product: Not classified

Other Effects: None known.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity:

Acute hazards to the aquatic environment:

Fish
Product: No data available.

Specified substance(s):
SODIUM HYDROXIDE LC 50 (Western mosquitofish (*Gambusia affinis*), 96 h): 125 mg/l Mortality

Aquatic Invertebrates

Product: No data available.

Specified substance(s):
SODIUM HYDROXIDE EC 50 (Water flea (Ceriodaphnia dubia), 48 h): 34.59 - 47.13 mg/l Intoxication

Chronic hazards to the aquatic environment:

Fish
Product: No data available.

Aquatic Invertebrates
Product: No data available.

Toxicity to Aquatic Plants
Product: No data available.

Persistence and Degradability

Biodegradation
Product: There are no data on the degradability of this product.

BOD/COD Ratio
Product: No data available.

Bioaccumulative Potential

Bioconcentration Factor (BCF)
Product: No data available on bioaccumulation.

Partition Coefficient n-octanol / water (log Kow)
Product: No data available.

Mobility in Soil: The product is water soluble and may spread in water systems.

Other Adverse Effects: Not expected to be harmful to aquatic organisms. Low acute toxicity to aquatic organisms.

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal instructions: Discharge, treatment, or disposal may be subject to national, state, or local laws. Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.

Contaminated Packaging: Since emptied containers retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN Number:	UN 1824
UN Proper Shipping Name:	Sodium hydroxide solution
Transport Hazard Class(es)	
Class(es):	8
Label(s):	8
Packing Group:	II
Marine Pollutant:	No

IMDG

UN Number:	UN 1824
UN Proper Shipping Name:	SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Transport Hazard Class(es)	
Class(es):	8
Label(s):	8
EmS No.:	F-A, S-B
Packing Group:	II
Marine Pollutant:	No

IATA

UN Number:	UN 1824
Proper Shipping Name:	Sodium hydroxide solution
Transport Hazard Class(es):	
Class(es):	8
Label(s):	8
Marine Pollutant:	No
Packing Group:	II

15. Regulatory information

US Federal Regulations

TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4):

SODIUM HYDROXIDE Reportable quantity: 1000 lbs.

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

Hazard categories

☒ Acute (Immediate) ☐ Chronic (Delayed) ☐ Fire ☐ Reactive ☐ Pressure Generating

SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

SARA 304 Emergency Release Notification

Chemical Identity	RQ
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	1000 lbs.

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Chemical

Chemical Identity	Threshold Planning Quantity
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	500 lbs

SARA 313 (TRI Reporting)

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

Clean Water Act Section 311 Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 117.3)

SODIUM HYDROXIDE Reportable quantity: 1000 lbs.

Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130):

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

US State Regulations

US. California Proposition 65

No ingredient regulated by CA Prop 65 present.

US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

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US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

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US. Pennsylvania RTK - Hazardous Substances

SODIUM HYDROXIDE Listed

US. Rhode Island RTK

SODIUM HYDROXIDE Listed

Inventory Status:

Australia AICS:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Canada DSL Inventory List:	On or in compliance with the inventory
EINECS, ELINCS or NLP:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan (ENCS) List:	On or in compliance with the inventory
China Inv. Existing Chemical Substances:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Korea Existing Chemicals Inv. (KECI):	On or in compliance with the inventory
Canada NDSL Inventory:	Not in compliance with the inventory.
Philippines PICCS:	On or in compliance with the inventory
US TSCA Inventory:	On or in compliance with the inventory
New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals:	On or in compliance with the inventory
Japan ISHL Listing:	Not in compliance with the inventory.
Japan Pharmacopoeia Listing:	Not in compliance with the inventory.

16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

NFPA Hazard ID



Hazard rating: 0 - Minimal; 1 - Slight; 2 - Moderate; 3 - Serious; 4 - Severe

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