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MSDS**Material Safety Data Sheet**

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24 Hour Emergency Telephone: 908-859-2151
CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300

National Response in Canada
CANUTEC: 613-996-6666

Outside U.S. and Canada
Chemtrec: 703-527-3887

NOTE: CHEMTREC, CANUTEC and National Response Center emergency numbers to be used only in the event of chemical emergencies involving a spill, leak, fire, exposure or accident involving chemicals.

All non-emergency questions should be directed to Customer Service (1-800-582-2537) for assistance.

BARIUM HYDROXIDE

1. Product Identification

Synonyms: Barium hydroxide octahydrate; barium hydrate; barium hydroxide, 8-hydrate

CAS No.: 17194-00-2 (Anhydrous) 12230-71-6 (Octahydrate)

Molecular Weight: 315.47

Chemical Formula: Ba(OH)₂·8H₂O

Product Codes:

J.T. Baker: 1006

Mallinckrodt: 3772, H425

2. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Ingredient	CAS No	Percent	Hazardous
Barium Hydroxide	17194-00-2	90 - 100%	Yes

3. Hazards Identification

Emergency Overview

**DANGER! MAY BE FATAL IF SWALLOWED. HARMFUL IF INHALED.
CAUSES IRRITATION TO SKIN, EYES AND RESPIRATORY TRACT. AFFECTS
MUSCLES (INCLUDING THE HEART), AND CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM.**

SAF-T-DATA^(tm) Ratings (Provided here for your convenience)

Health Rating: 3 - Severe (Poison)

Flammability Rating: 0 - None

Reactivity Rating: 1 - Slight

Contact Rating: 3 - Severe

Lab Protective Equip: GOGGLES & SHIELD; LAB COAT & APRON; VENT HOOD;
PROPER GLOVES

Storage Color Code: Blue (Health)

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation:

Inhalation of dust cause irritation to the nose, throat, and respiratory tract. Symptoms include sore throat, coughing, and shortness of breath. Systemic poisoning may occur in sensitive individuals with symptoms similar to those of ingestion.

Ingestion:

A systemic poison that competes with potassium in the nervous system. Causes severe irritation of the gastrointestinal tract, tightness in the muscles of the face and neck, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, muscular tremors, anxiety, weakness, labored breathing, cardiac irregularity, convulsions, and death from cardiac and respiratory failure. Estimated lethal dose lies between 1 to 15 grams. Death may occur within hours or up to a few days. May cause kidney damage.

Skin Contact:

Solutions are strongly alkaline, highly irritating and may cause burns.

Eye Contact:

Dusts cause eye irritation. Solutions may cause burns and damage.

Chronic Exposure:

No information found.

Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions:

Persons with pre-existing skin and nervous system disorders or impaired respiratory or kidney function may be more susceptible to the effects of this substance.

4. First Aid Measures

Inhalation:

Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

Ingestion:

If swallowed, give large quantities of water to drink and get medical attention immediately. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Skin Contact:

Wipe off excess material from skin then immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse.

Eye Contact:

Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Get medical attention immediately.

Note to Physician:

Treatment is symptomatic and supportive. Sodium sulfate can be given in case of ingestion to precipitate out the barium as barium sulfate.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Fire:

Not considered to be a fire hazard.

Explosion:

Not considered to be an explosion hazard.

Fire Extinguishing Media:

Use any means suitable for extinguishing surrounding fire.

Special Information:

In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

6. Accidental Release Measures

Ventilate area of leak or spill. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment as specified in Section 8. Spills: Pick up and place in a suitable container for reclamation or disposal, using a method that does not generate dust.

7. Handling and Storage

Keep in a tightly closed container, stored in a cool, dry, ventilated area. Protect against physical damage. Isolate from incompatible substances. Containers of this material may be hazardous when empty since they retain product residues (dust, solids); observe all warnings and precautions listed for the product.

8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Airborne Exposure Limits:

For Soluble Barium Compounds:

OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL):

0.5 mg (Ba)/m³

ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TLV):

0.5 mg (Ba)/m³ A4 - not classifiable as a human carcinogen

Ventilation System:

A system of local and/or general exhaust is recommended to keep employee exposures below the Airborne Exposure Limits. Local exhaust ventilation is generally preferred because it can control the emissions of the contaminant at its source, preventing dispersion of it into the general work area. Please refer to the ACGIH document, *Industrial Ventilation, A Manual of Recommended Practices*, most recent edition, for details.

Personal Respirators (NIOSH Approved):

If the exposure limit is exceeded and engineering controls are not feasible, a half facepiece particulate respirator (NIOSH type N95 or better filters) may be worn for up to ten times the exposure limit or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. A full-face piece particulate respirator (NIOSH type N100 filters) may be worn up to 50 times the exposure limit, or the maximum use concentration specified by the appropriate regulatory agency, or respirator supplier, whichever is lowest. If oil particles (e.g. lubricants, cutting fluids, glycerine, etc.) are present, use a NIOSH type R or P filter. For emergencies or instances where the exposure levels are not known, use a full-facepiece positive-pressure, air-supplied respirator.

WARNING: Air-purifying respirators do not protect workers in oxygen-deficient atmospheres.

Skin Protection:

Wear impervious protective clothing, including boots, gloves, lab coat, apron or coveralls, as appropriate, to prevent skin contact.

Eye Protection:

Use chemical safety goggles and/or full face shield where dusting or splashing of solutions is possible. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance:

Colorless or white crystals.

Odor:

Odorless.

Solubility:

5.6g/100g water @ 15C (59F).

Density:

2.18

pH:

Aqueous solutions are strongly alkaline.

% Volatiles by volume @ 21C (70F):

0

Boiling Point:

780C (1436F)

Melting Point:

78C (172F)

Vapor Density (Air=1):

No information found.

Vapor Pressure (mm Hg):

No information found.

Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):

No information found.

10. Stability and Reactivity

Stability:

Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage. Very Alkaline. Rapidly absorbs carbon dioxide from air, becoming completely insoluble in water.

Hazardous Decomposition Products:

No information found.

Hazardous Polymerization:

Will not occur.

Incompatibilities:

Acids, oxidizers, chlorinated rubber. Corrosive to metals such as zinc.

Conditions to Avoid:

Air, dusting, and incompatibles.

11. Toxicological Information

Oral rat LD50: 308 mg/kg.

Ingredient	---NTP Carcinogen---		IARC Category
	Known	Anticipated	
Barium Hydroxide (17194-00-2)	No	No	None

12. Ecological Information

Environmental Fate:

This material may bioaccumulate to some extent.

Environmental Toxicity:

No information found.

13. Disposal Considerations

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be managed in an appropriate and approved waste facility. Although not a listed RCRA hazardous waste, this material may exhibit one or more characteristics of a hazardous waste and require appropriate analysis to determine specific disposal requirements. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

14. Transport Information

Domestic (Land, D.O.T.)

Proper Shipping Name: BARIUM COMPOUND, N.O.S. (BARIUM HYDROXIDE)
Hazard Class: 6.1
UN/NA: UN1564
Packing Group: III
Information reported for product/size: 300LB

International (Water, I.M.O.)

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Packing Group: III
Information reported for product/size: 300LB

15. Regulatory Information

-----\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 1\-----				
Ingredient	TSCA	EC	Japan	Australia
Barium Hydroxide (17194-00-2)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

-----\Chemical Inventory Status - Part 2\-----				
Ingredient	Korea	DSL	NDL	Phil.
Barium Hydroxide (17194-00-2)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes

-----\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 1\-----				
Ingredient	-SARA 302-	TPQ	List	-SARA 313-
Barium Hydroxide (17194-00-2)	No	No	No	Barium compo

-----\Federal, State & International Regulations - Part 2\-----			
Ingredient	CERCLA	-RCRA-	-TSCA-
		261.33	8 (d)

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