SODIUM BICARBONATE

PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION:
Synonyms: Sodium hydrogen carbonate; sodium acid carbonate; baking soda
Formula CAS No.: 144-55-8
Molecular Weight: 84.01
Chemical Formula: NaHCO₃
Hazardous Ingredients: Not applicable.

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES

As part of good industrial and personal hygiene and safety procedure, avoid all unnecessary exposure to the chemical substance and ensure prompt removal from skin, eyes and clothing.

EMERGENCY/FIRST AID

SEE SECTION 5.
DOT Hazard Class: Not Regulated

SECTION 1 Physical Data
Appearance: White crystalline powder.
Odor: Odorless.
Solubility: 7.8g/100g water @ 18°C (64°F).
Boiling Point: Not applicable.
Melting Point: Decomposes @ 60°C (140°F)
Density: 2.2
Vapor Density (Air = 1): No information found.
Vapor Pressure (mm Hg): No information found.
Evaporation Rate: No information found.

SECTION 2 Fire and Explosion Information
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.

SECTION 3 Reactivity Data
Stability:
Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage.

Hazardous Decomposition Products:
Gaseous carbon dioxide.

Hazardous Polymerization:
Will not occur.

Incompatibilities:
Reacts with acids to form carbon dioxide.

SECTION 4 Leak/Spill Disposal Information
Collect by scooping, mopping or wet vacuuming as appropriate. Collected waste may be transferred to a closed, preferably metal, container and sent to an approved waste disposal facility. Alternately, spills can be diluted with large quantities of water and handled as non-hazardous waste.

Ensure compliance with local, state and federal regulations.

Effective Date: 11-06-85

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SECTION 5 Health Hazard Information

A. EXPOSURE / HEALTH EFFECTS

Inhalation:
High concentrations of dust may cause coughing and sneezing.

Ingestion:
Extremely large oral doses may cause gastrointestinal disturbances.

Skin Contact:
No adverse effects expected.

Eye Contact:
Contact may cause mild irritation, redness, and pain.

Chronic Exposure:
No information found.

Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions:
No information found.

B. FIRST AID

Inhalation:
Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

Ingestion:
Give several glasses of water to drink to dilute. If large amounts were swallowed, get medical advice.

Skin Exposure:
Not expected to require first aid measures.

Eye Exposure:
Wash thoroughly with running water. Get medical advice if irritation develops.

C. TOXICITY DATA (RTECS, 1982)

Oral rat LD50: 4220 mg/kg. Reproductive effects cited. Irritation data: 30mg/3D-I mild.

SECTION 6 Occupational Control Measures

Airborne Exposure Limits:
None established.

Ventilation System:
In general, dilution ventilation is a satisfactory health hazard control for this substance. However, if conditions of use create discomfort to the worker, a local exhaust system should be considered.

Personal Respirators: (NIOSH Approved)
For conditions of use where exposure to the dust is apparent, a dust/mist respirator may be worn. For emergencies, a self-contained breathing apparatus may be necessary.

Skin Protection:
Wear protective gloves and clean body-covering clothing.

Eye Protection:
Use chemical safety goggles. Contact lenses should not be worn when working with this material. Maintain eye wash fountain and quick-drench facilities in work area.

SECTION 7 Storage and Special Information

Keep in a tightly closed container, stored in a cool, dry, ventilated area. Protect against physical damage.