

## Material Safety Data Sheet

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## 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Sodium carbonate

Product Number : 222321  
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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## Emergency Overview

## OSHA Hazards

Irritant

## GHS Classification

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 5)  
Skin irritation (Category 3)  
Eye irritation (Category 2A)

## GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H303 May be harmful if swallowed.  
H316 Causes mild skin irritation.  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

## HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 2  
Flammability: 0  
Physical hazards: 1

## NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 2  
Fire: 0  
Reactivity Hazard: 1

## Potential Health Effects

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Inhalation : May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.  
Skin : May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.  
Eyes : Causes eye irritation.  
Ingestion : May be harmful if swallowed.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Soda ash

Formula :  $\text{CNa}_2\text{O}_3$

Molecular Weight : 105.99 g/mol

Component	Concentration
<b>Sodium carbonate</b>	
CAS-No.	497-19-8
EC-No.	207-838-8
Index-No.	011-005-00-2

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

## General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

## If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

## In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

## In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

## If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

## 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

## Conditions of flammability

Not flammable or combustible.

## Suitable extinguishing media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

## Special protective equipment for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

## Hazardous combustion products

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## Further information

The product itself does not burn.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

## Personal precautions

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust.

## Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

## Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

### Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

hygroscopic

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Respiratory protection

For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type CV/AG/P99 (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Hand protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### Immersion protection

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: > 480 min

Material tested: Dermatrill® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

#### Splash protection

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: > 30 min

Material tested: Dermatrill® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 873000, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an Industrial Hygienist familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

#### Eye protection

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin and body protection

Impervious clothing. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

#### Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

Form	granular
Colour	white

## Safety data

pH	12 at 106 g/l at 25 °C (77 °F)
Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: 851 °C (1,564 °F)
Bolling point	no data available
Flash point	no data available
Ignition temperature	no data available
Autolgnition temperature	no data available
Lower explosion limit	no data available
Upper explosion limit	no data available
Vapour pressure	no data available
Density	2.532 g/cm3
Water solubility	106 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F) - completely soluble
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	no data available
Relative vapour density	no data available
Odour	no data available
Odour Threshold	no data available
Evaporation rate	no data available

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability

hygroscopic Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

### Conditions to avoid

Exposure to moisture.

### Materials to avoid

Strong acids

### Hazardous decomposition products

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Other decomposition products - no data available

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity

#### Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - rat - 4,090 mg/kg

#### Inhalation LC50

LC50 Inhalation - rat - 2 h - 5,750 mg/l

#### Dermal LD50

no data available

### Other information on acute toxicity

no data available

### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - rabbit - Mild skin irritation - 24 h

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - rabbit - Eye irritation - 24 h

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

no data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

no data available

**Carcinogenicity**

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

**Reproductive toxicity**

no data available

**Teratogenicity**

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**

no data available

**Aspiration hazard**

no data available

**Potential health effects**

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**Signs and Symptoms of Exposure**

burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting

**Synergistic effects**

no data available

**Additional information**

RTECS: VZ4050000

**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish	LC50 - Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 300 mg/l - 96 h
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 265 mg/l - 48 h

**Persistence and degradability**

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no data available

**Bioaccumulative potential**

no data available

**Mobility in soil**

no data available

**PBT and vPvB assessment**

no data available

**Other adverse effects**

no data available

**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**DOT (US)**

Not dangerous goods

**IMDG**

Not dangerous goods

**IATA**

Not dangerous goods

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**OSHA Hazards**

Irritant

**SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**

SARA 313: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Acute Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

No Components Listed

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

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**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

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**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Further information**

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