

Safety Data Sheet

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Water Treatment & Specialty Chemicals

Hazardous Chemical, NON-Dangerous Goods

1. MATERIAL AND SUPPLY COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name: **Sodium carbonate**

Synonyms
Soda ash

Product Code

Recommended use: Waste water treatment/Industrial cleaning applications

Supplier: Aquapac Pty Ltd
ABN: 36 114 118 311
Street Address: 88 Lee Holm Road
St Marys NSW 2760
Telephone: 02 9673 1192
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Emergency Telephone number: 1800 HELP

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This material is hazardous according to health criteria of Safe Work Australia.



Signal Word
Danger

Hazard Classifications

Serious Eye Damage/Irritation - Category 1

Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Single Exposure) - Category 3 Respiratory Tract Irritation

Hazard Statements

H318 Causes serious eye damage.
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Prevention Precautionary Statements

P102 Keep out of reach of children.
P103 Read label before use.
P261 Avoid breathing dust, fume, gas, mist, vapours or spray..
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280 Wear protective clothing, gloves, eye/face protection and suitable respirator.

Response Precautionary Statements

P101 If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand.
P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

Storage Precautionary Statements

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P403+P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P405 Store locked up.

Disposal Precautionary Statement

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

Poison Schedule:

DANGEROUS GOOD CLASSIFICATION

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the "Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail" and the "New Zealand NZS5433: Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land".

3. COMPOSITION INFORMATION

CHEMICAL ENTITY	CAS NO	PROPORTION
Sodium carbonate	497-19-8	100 % (w/w)
Ingredients determined to be Non-Hazardous		Balance

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 131 126, New Zealand 0800 764 766).

Inhalation: Remove victim from exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. For all but the most minor symptoms arrange for patient to be seen by a doctor as soon as possible. If breathing is difficult have a trained person administer oxygen. If respiration stops comma, give mouth to mouth resuscitation. Seek medical advice

Skin Contact: Remove victim from exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. For all but the most minor symptoms arrange for patient to be seen by a doctor as soon as possible. If breathing is difficult have a trained person administer oxygen. If respiration stops comma, give mouth to mouth resuscitation. Seek medical advice

Eye contact: Remove victim from exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. For all but the most minor symptoms arrange for patient to be seen by a doctor as soon as possible. If breathing is difficult have a trained person administer oxygen. If respiration stops comma, give mouth to mouth resuscitation. Seek medical advice

Ingestion: Remove victim from exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. For all but the most minor symptoms arrange for patient to be seen by a doctor as soon as possible. If breathing is difficult have a trained person administer oxygen. If respiration stops comma, give mouth to mouth resuscitation. Seek medical advice

Notes to physician: Treat symptomatically. Can cause corneal burns. Remove victim from exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. For all but the most minor symptoms arrange for patient to be seen by a doctor as soon as possible. If breathing is difficult have a trained person administer oxygen. If respiration stops comma, give mouth to mouth resuscitation. Seek medical advice

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Hazchem Code: Not applicable.

Suitable extinguishing media: If material is involved in a fire use water fog (or if unavailable fine water spray), alcohol resistant foam, standard foam, dry agent (carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder).

Specific hazards: Non-combustible material.

Fire fighting further advice: Not applicable.

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6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

SMALL SPILLS

Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination. Avoid inhalation of vapours or dust. Wipe up with absorbent (clean rag or paper towels). Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal.

LARGE SPILLS

Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Slippery when spilt. Avoid accidents, clean up immediately. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination and the inhalation of dust. Work up wind or increase ventilation. Cover with damp absorbent (inert material, sand or soil). Sweep or vacuum up, but avoid generating dust. Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal. If contamination of crops, sewers or waterways has occurred advise local emergency services.

Dangerous Goods – Initial Emergency Response Guide No: Not applicable

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling: Avoid eye contact and repeated or prolonged skin contact. Avoid inhalation of dust.

Storage: Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place and out of direct sunlight. Store away from foodstuffs. Store away from incompatible materials described in Section 10. Store away from sources of heat and/or ignition. Store locked up. Keep container standing upright. Keep containers closed when not in use - check regularly for spills.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

National occupational exposure limits: No value assigned for this specific material by Safe Work Australia.

Biological Limit Values: As per the "National Model Regulations for the Control of Workplace Hazardous Substances (Safe Work Australia)" the ingredients in this material do not have a Biological Limit Allocated.

National occupational exposure limits: Natural ventilation should be adequate under normal use conditions..

Personal Protection Equipment: OVERALLS, GLOVES, SAFETY GLASSES, DUST MASK.

Wear overalls, gloves, safety glasses, dust mask. Available information suggests that gloves made from polyvinyl chloride (PVC) should be suitable for intermittent contact. However, due to variations in glove construction and local conditions, the user should make a final assessment. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or re-using.

Hygiene measures: Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash hands prior to eating, drinking or smoking. Avoid contact with clothing. Avoid eye contact and repeated or prolonged skin contact. Avoid inhalation of dust. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Form: Crystalline Powder
Colour: White
Odour: Characteristic

Solubility: Soluble

(Typical values only - consult specification sheet)

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N Av = Not available, N App = Not applicable

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability: Stable under normal ambient conditions, transport, storage, handling, and usage.

Conditions to avoid: AVOID strong acids

Incompatible materials: Strong acids; reaction will release hazardous oxides of carbon.

Hazardous decomposition products: Oxides of carbon and nitrogen, smoke and other toxic fumes.

Hazardous reactions: No known hazardous reactions.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

Acute Effects

Inhalation: Inhalation of fine particles may cause respiratory irritation.

Skin contact: Dust or weak solution may cause mild to moderate irritation in some individuals with redness and blistering. Concentrated solutions may be corrosive, causing severe irritation and burning. Avoid combined exposure to lime dust and sodium bicarbonate as caustic soda may be formed on the skin.

Ingestion: Ingestion of small amounts may cause irritation of the mouth, throat and stomach. Concentrated solutions may be corrosive and cause cramps, vomiting, diarrhoea and possibly circulatory collapse and death

Eye contact: Can cause irritation/burning to the eyes. Exposure to the dust may cause discomfort due to particulate nature. May cause physical irritation to the eyes.

Acute toxicity

Inhalation: This material has been classified as non-hazardous. Acute toxicity estimate (based on ingredients): >5 mg/L

Skin contact: This material has been classified as non-hazardous. Acute toxicity estimate (based on ingredients): >2,000 mg/Kg

Ingestion: This material has been classified as non-hazardous. Acute toxicity estimate (based on ingredients): >2,000 mg/Kg

LD50 (Rabbit): 4220 mg/kg (10% solution)

Corrosion/Irritancy: Eye: this material has been classified as a Category 1 Hazard (irreversible effects to eyes). Skin: this material has been classified as not corrosive or irritating to skin.

Sensitisation: Inhalation: this material has been classified as not a respiratory sensitiser. Skin: this material has been classified as not a skin sensitiser.

Aspiration hazard: This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure): This material has been classified as a Category 3 Hazard. Exposure via inhalation may result in respiratory irritation.

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Mutagenicity: This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

Carcinogenicity: This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

Reproductive toxicity (including via lactation): This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

Specific target organ toxicity (repeat exposure): This material has been classified as non-hazardous.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Avoid contaminating waterways.

Acute aquatic hazard: This material has been classified as non-hazardous. Acute toxicity estimate (based on ingredients): >100 mg/L

Long-term aquatic hazard: This material has been classified as non-hazardous. Non-rapidly or rapidly degradable substance for which there are adequate chronic toxicity data available OR in the absence of chronic toxicity data, Acute toxicity estimate (based on ingredients): >100 mg/L, where the substance is not rapidly degradable and/or BCF < 500 and/or log K_{ow} < 4.

Ecotoxicity: No information available.

Persistence and degradability: No information available.

Bioaccumulative potential: No information available.

Mobility: No information available.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Persons conducting disposal, recycling or reclamation activities should ensure that appropriate personal protection equipment is used, see "Section 8. Exposure Controls and Personal Protection" of this SDS.

If possible material and its container should be recycled. If material or container cannot be recycled, dispose in accordance with local, regional, national and international Regulations.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

ROAD AND RAIL TRANSPORT

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the "Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail" and the "New Zealand NZS5433: Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land".

MARINE TRANSPORT

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

AIR TRANSPORT

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

This material is not subject to the following international agreements:

Montreal Protocol (Ozone depleting substances)

The Stockholm Convention (Persistent Organic Pollutants)

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The Rotterdam Convention (Prior Informed Consent)
Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL)

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Reason for issue: Format change

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