

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET SODIUM BICARBONATE MSDS

1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

Product Name: Sodium bicarbonate

Catalogue Codes: SLS3241, SLS2446, SLS3868

CAS#: 144-55-8

RTECS: VZ0950000

TSCA: TSCA 8(b) inventory: Sodium bicarbonate

CI#: Not available.

Synonym: Baking Soda; Bicarbonate of soda; Sodium acid carbonate; Monosodium carbonate; Sodium hydrogen carbonate; Carbonic acid monosodium salt

Chemical Name: Sodium Bicarbonate

Chemical Formula: NaHCO₃

2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

Composition:

Name	CAS #	% by Weight
Sodium bicarbonate	144-55-8	100

Toxicological Data on Ingredients: Not applicable.

3: Hazards Identification

Potential Acute Health Effects: Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Potential Chronic Health Effects:

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.

DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. Repeated or prolonged exposure is not known to aggravate medical condition.

4: First Aid Measures

Eye Contact:

Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Cold water may be used. Get medical attention if irritation occurs.

Skin Contact:

Wash with soap and water. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Get medical attention if irritation develops. Cold water may be used.

Serious Skin Contact:

Not available.

Inhalation:

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

Serious Inhalation:

Not available.

Ingestion:

Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention if symptoms appear.

Serious Ingestion:

Not available.

5: Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability of the Product:	Non-flammable.
Auto-Ignition Temperature:	Not applicable.
Flash Points:	Not applicable.
Flammable Limits:	Not applicable.
Products of Combustion:	Not available.
Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:	Not applicable.
Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:	
Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact:	Not available.
Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge:	Not available.
Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:	Not applicable.
Special Remarks on Fire Hazards:	When heated to decomposition it emits acrid smoke and irritating fumes.
Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:	Not available.

6: Accidental Release Measures

Small Spill:

Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

Large Spill:

Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system.

7: Handling and Storage

Precautions:

Do not ingest. Do not breathe dust. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Keep away from incompatibles such as acids.

Storage:

Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area.

8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls:

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

Personal Protection:

Safety glasses. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:

Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self-contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

Exposure Limits:

Not available.

9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state and appearance:	Solid.
Odour:	Odourless.
Taste: Saline.	Alkaline.
Molecular Weight:	84.01g/mole
Colour:	White.
pH (1% soln/water):	Not available.
Boiling Point:	Not available.
Melting Point:	Not available.
Critical Temperature:	Not available.
Specific Gravity: Density:	2.159 (Water = 1)
Vapor Pressure:	Not applicable.
Vapor Density:	Not available.
Volatility:	Not available.
Odour Threshold:	Not available.
Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.:	Not available.
Iconicity (in Water):	Not available.
Dispersion Properties:	See solubility in water.
Solubility:	Soluble in cold water. Slightly soluble in alcohol.
Solubility in Water:	6.4, 7.6, 8.7, 10.0, 11.3, 12.7, 14.2, 16.5, 19.1 g/100 solution at 0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, and 100 deg. C, respectively.
Solubility in Water:	6.9, 8.2, 9.6, 11.1, 12.7, 14.5, 16.5, 19.7, and 23.6 g/100g water at 0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, 100 deg. C, respectively.

10: Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability:	The product is stable.
Instability Temperature:	Not available.
Conditions of Instability:	Incompatible materials, Moisture. Stable in dry air, but slowly decomposes in moist air.
Incompatibility with various substances:	Reactive with acids.
Corrosivity:	Non-corrosive in presence of glass.
Special Remarks on Reactivity:	Reacts with acids to form carbon dioxide. Dangerous reaction with monoammonium phosphate or a sodium-potassium alloy.
Special Remarks on Corrosivity:	Not available.
Polymerization:	Will not occur.

11: Toxicological Information

Routes of Entry: Inhalation. Ingestion.

Toxicity to Animals: Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 3360 mg/kg [Mouse].

Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans: Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available.

Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:

Sodium Bicarbonate as produced genetic effects in rats (unscheduled DNA synthesis). However, no effects have been found in humans.

Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:

Acute Potential Health Effects:

Skin: May cause mild skin irritation.

Eyes: May cause mild eye irritation.

Inhalation: May cause respiratory tract irritation. Symptoms may include coughing and sneezing. Ingestion: Symptoms of overexposure to Sodium Bicarbonate include thirst, abdominal pain, gastroenteritis, and inflammation of the digestive tract.

Chronic Potential Health Effects: Skin: Repeated or prolonged skin contact may cause irritation, drying or cracking of the skin. Ingestion and Inhalation: Chronic toxicity usually occurs within 4 to 10 days following ingestion of very large amounts. Repeated or prolonged ingestion or inhalation of large amounts may cause metabolic abnormalities, and sodium retention. Metabolic abnormalities such as acidosis, hypernatremia, hypochloraemia, alkalosis, hypocalcaemia, or sodium retention may affect the blood, kidneys, respiration (cyanosis, apnea secondary to metabolic acidosis or pulmonary edema), and cardiovascular system (tachycardia, hypotension). Severe toxicity may also affect behaviour/central nervous system/nervous system. Neurological changes may result from metabolic abnormalities. These may include fatigue, irritability, dizziness, mental confusion, paraesthesia, seizures, tetany, cerebral edema. Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure: Persons with pre-existing skin conditions might have increased sensitivity. Predisposing conditions that contribute to a mild alkali syndrome include, renal disease, dehydration, and electrolyte imbalance, hypertension, sarcoidosis, congestive heart failure, edema, or other sodium retaining conditions.

12: Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: Not available.

BOD5 and COD: Not available.

Products of Biodegradation: Possibly hazardous short-term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation: The product itself and its products of degradation are not toxic.

Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation: Not available.

13: Disposal Considerations

Waste Disposal: Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

14: Transport Information

DOT Classification: Not a DOT controlled material (United States).

Identification: Not applicable.

Special Provisions for Transport: Not applicable.

15: Other Regulatory Information

Other Regulations: Not available.

Protective Equipment:

Gloves. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent.

Safety glasses.

16: Other Information

References: Not available.

Other Special Considerations: Not available.

EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY

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