#### MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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# Section 1 - Product and Company Information

Product Name SODIUM SULFITE, 98+%, A.C.S.

REAGENT

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## Section 2 - Composition/Information on Ingredient

Substance Name CAS # SARA 313 SODIUM SULFITE ANHYDROUS 7757-83-7 No

Formula Na2SO3

Synonyms Anhydrous sodium sulfite \* Disodium sulfite \*

Exsiccated sodium sulfite \* Sulftech \*

Natriumsulfit (German) \* Sodium sulfite \* Sodium sulfite anhydrous \* Sodium sulphite \* Sulfurous acid, disodium salt \* Sulfurous acid, sodium salt

(1:2) \* S-WAT

RTECS Number: WE2150000

## Section 3 - Hazards Identification

## EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Irritant.

Contact with acids liberates toxic gas. Irritating to eyes,

respiratory system and skin.

Possible sensitizer. Target organ(s): Central nervous system.

## HMIS RATING

HEALTH: 2\*

FLAMMABILITY: 0 REACTIVITY: 1

#### NFPA RATING

HEALTH: 2

FLAMMABILITY: 0 REACTIVITY: 1

\*additional chronic hazards present.

For additional information on toxicity, please refer to Section 11.

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

ORAL EXPOSURE

If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Call a physician.

#### INHALATION EXPOSURE

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

#### DERMAL EXPOSURE

In case of contact, immediately wash skin with soap and copious amounts of water.

#### EYE EXPOSURE

In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

#### FLASH POINT

N/A

## AUTOIGNITION TEMP

N/A

## FLAMMABILITY

N/A

#### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

Suitable: Water spray. Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

#### FIREFIGHTING

Protective Equipment: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes. Specific Hazard(s): Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

# PROCEDURE(S) OF PERSONAL PRECAUTION(S)

Wear respirator, chemical safety goggles, rubber boots, and heavy rubber gloves.

## METHODS FOR CLEANING UP

Sweep up, place in a bag and hold for waste disposal. Avoid raising dust. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

## HANDLING

User Exposure: Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

## STORAGE

Suitable: Keep tightly closed.

#### SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Air and moisture sensitive.

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls / PPE

## ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Safety shower and eye bath. Mechanical exhaust required.

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PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT
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Respiratory: Government approved respirator. Hand: Compatible chemical-resistant gloves.

Eye: Chemical safety goggles.

## GENERAL HYGIENE MEASURES

Wash thoroughly after handling.

## EXPOSURE LIMITS

Country Source Type Value OSHA. TWA 5 ppm

## Section 9 - Physical/Chemical Properties

Appearance Physical State: Solid.

Property Value At Temperature or Pressure

Molecular Weight
pH
pH
pH
p-10.5
BP/BP Range
MP/MP Range
N/A
Freezing Point
Vapor Pressure
Vapor Density
N/A
Saturated Vapor Conc.
N/A

SG/Density 2.63 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Bulk Density N/A Odor Threshold N/A Volatile% N/A VOC Content N/A Water Content N/A Solvent Content N/A Evaporation Rate N/A Viscosity N/A Surface Tension N/A Partition Coefficient N/A Decomposition Temp. N/A Flash Point N/A Explosion Limits N/A Flammability N/A

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Flammability N/A
Autoignition Temp N/A
Refractive Index N/A
Optical Rotation N/A

Miscellaneous Data N/A

Solubility in Water:1 M in H2O, 20°C

complete, colorless

## N/A = not available

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

## STABILITY

Stable: Stable.

Conditions to Avoid: Sensitive to air. Sensitive to moisture. Materials to Avoid: Strong acids, Strong oxidizing agents.

#### HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Sulfur oxides.

## HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

#### ROUTE OF EXPOSURE

Skin Contact: Causes skin irritation.

Skin Absorption: May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.

Eye Contact: Causes eye irritation.

Inhalation: Material is irritating to mucous membranes and upper

respiratory tract. May be harmful if inhaled.

Ingestion: May be harmful if swallowed.

#### SENSITIZATION

Sensitization: Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause allergic reactions in certain sensitive individuals.

TARGET ORGAN(S) OR SYSTEM(S)

Central nervous system.

## SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE

Ingestion results in irritation of the gastrointestinal tract. Large doses may cause violent colic and diarrhea, circulatory disturbances, central nervous depression, and even death. Persons with allergies and/or asthma may exhibit hypersensitivity to sulfites. To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

#### TOXICITY DATA

Oral

Rat

820 mg/kg

LD50

Oral

Mouse

820 mg/kg

LD50

Intraperitoneal

Mouse

950 MG/KG

LD50

Intravenous

Mouse

175 MG/KG

LD50

Remarks: Behavioral: Convulsions or effect on seizure threshold. Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration: Respiratory depression. Lungs,

Thorax, or Respiration: Other changes.

Oral

Rat

3560 mg/kg

LD50

## CHRONIC EXPOSURE - CARCINOGEN

Result: This product is or contains a component that is not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity based on its IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or EPA classification.

#### IARC CARCINOGEN LIST

Rating: Group 3

## CHRONIC EXPOSURE - MUTAGEN

Species: Human Dose: 100 UMOL/L

Cell Type: lymphocyte

Mutation test: Other mutation test systems

Species: Mouse Dose: 25 MG/L

Cell Type: Other cell types

Mutation test: Cytogenetic analysis

Species: Mouse Dose: 25 MG/L

Cell Type: Other cell types

Mutation test: sperm

Species: Domestic Animals

Dose: 250 MG/L

Cell Type: Other cell types

Mutation test: Cytogenetic analysis

Species: Cattle, Horse

Dose: 250 MG/L

Cell Type: Other cell types

Mutation test: Cytogenetic analysis

Species: Domestic Animals

Dose: 250 MG/L

Cell Type: Other cell types

Mutation test: sperm

Species: Cattle, Horse

Dose: 250 MG/L

Cell Type: Other cell types

Mutation test: sperm

# Section 12 - Ecological Information

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

APPROPRIATE METHOD OF DISPOSAL OF SUBSTANCE OR PREPARATION Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber. Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

# Section 14 - Transport Information

## DOT

Proper Shipping Name: None

Non-Hazardous for Transport: This substance is considered to be non-hazardous for transport.

## IATA

Non-Hazardous for Air Transport: Non-hazardous for air

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

## EU ADDITIONAL CLASSIFICATION

Symbol of Danger: Xi

Indication of Danger: Irritant.

R: 31 36/37/38

Risk Statements: Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.

Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

Safety Statements: In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing.

## US CLASSIFICATION AND LABEL TEXT

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US Statements: Possible sensitizer. Target organ(s): Central nervous system.

## UNITED STATES REGULATORY INFORMATION

SARA LISTED: No

TSCA INVENTORY ITEM: Yes

## CANADA REGULATORY INFORMATION

WHMIS Classification: This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the CPR, and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

DSL: Yes NDSL: No

## Section 16 - Other Information

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