

### SECTION 1: Identification

#### 1.1. Identification

Product form : Mixtures  
Product name : Sodium Hydroxide, 40% w/w  
Product code : LC24120

#### 1.2. Recommended use and restrictions on use

Use of the substance/mixture : For laboratory and manufacturing use only.  
Recommended use : Laboratory chemicals  
Restrictions on use : Not for food, drug or household use

#### 1.3. Supplier

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#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 or +1-703-741-5970

### SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

##### GHS-US classification

Skin corrosion/irritation H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
Category 1B  
Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage  
Full text of H statements : see section 16

#### 2.2. GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

##### GHS-US labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS-US) :



GHS05

Signal word (GHS-US) : Danger  
Hazard statements (GHS-US) : H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
Precautionary statements (GHS-US) : P260 - Do not breathe mist, spray, vapors.  
P264 - Wash exposed skin thoroughly after handling.  
P280 - Wear eye protection, face protection, protective clothing, protective gloves.  
P301+P330+P331 - IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.  
P303+P361+P353 - IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.  
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.  
P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.  
P405 - Store locked up.  
P501 - Dispose of contents/container to comply with local, state and federal regulations  
If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

#### 2.3. Other hazards which do not result in classification

Other hazards not contributing to the classification : None.

#### 2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS US)

Not applicable

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### SECTION 3: Composition/Information on ingredients

#### 3.1. Substances

Not applicable

#### 3.2. Mixtures

Name	Product identifier	%	GHS-US classification
Water	(CAS-No.) 7732-18-5	60	Not classified
Sodium Hydroxide	(CAS-No.) 1310-73-2	40	Skin Corr. 1A, H314 Eye Dam. 1, H318 Aquatic Acute 3, H402

Full text of hazard classes and H-statements : see section 16

### SECTION 4: First-aid measures

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

- First-aid measures general : Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible).
- First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a poison center or doctor/physician.
- First-aid measures after skin contact : Immediately call a poison center or doctor/physician. Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
- First-aid measures after eye contact : Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a poison center or doctor/physician.
- First-aid measures after ingestion : Do NOT induce vomiting. Immediately call a poison center or doctor/physician. Rinse mouth.

#### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects (acute and delayed)

- Symptoms/effects : Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
- Symptoms/effects after inhalation : Coughing. Irritation of the respiratory tract. Irritation of the nasal mucous membranes.
- Symptoms/effects after skin contact : Caustic burns/corrosion of the skin.
- Symptoms/effects after eye contact : Causes serious eye damage.
- Symptoms/effects after ingestion : Abdominal pain. Bleeding of the gastrointestinal tract. Burns to the gastric/intestinal mucosa. Nausea. Possible esophageal perforation.
- Symptoms/effects upon intravenous administration : Not available.
- Chronic symptoms : Not available.

#### 4.3. Immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary

Obtain medical assistance.

### SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

#### 5.1. Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media : Carbon dioxide. Dry powder. Water spray. Foam. Sand.
- Unsuitable extinguishing media : Not available. Do not use a heavy water stream.

#### 5.2. Specific hazards arising from the chemical

- Fire hazard : Not flammable.
- Explosion hazard : Not available.
- Reactivity : Reacts with (some) metals: release of highly flammable gases/vapours (hydrogen). Thermal decomposition generates : Corrosive vapors.

#### 5.3. Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

- Firefighting instructions : Use water spray or fog for cooling exposed containers. Exercise caution when fighting any chemical fire. In case of fire, stop leak if safe to do so. When cooling/extinguishing: no water in the substance. Prevent fire-fighting water from entering environment.
- Protection during firefighting : Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection.
- Other information : Not available.

### SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- General measures : Eliminate ignition sources. Ensure adequate ventilation. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus when entering area unless atmosphere is proved to be safe.

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### 6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

- Protective equipment : Wear chemically protective gloves, lab coat or apron to prevent prolonged or repeated skin contact.
- Emergency procedures : Wash contaminated clothes. Evacuate unnecessary personnel. Keep containers closed.

### 6.1.2. For emergency responders

- Protective equipment : Equip cleanup crew with proper protection.
- Emergency procedures : Stop leak if safe to do so. Ventilate area.

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment. Prevent entry to sewers and public waters. Notify authorities if liquid enters sewers or public waters.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

- For containment : Take up liquid spill into inert absorbent material.
- Methods for cleaning up : Carefully collect the spill/leftovers. Clean contaminated surfaces with an excess of water. Wash clothing and equipment after handling. Soak up spills with inert solids, such as clay or diatomaceous earth as soon as possible. Collect spillage. Store away from other materials.

### 6.4. Reference to other sections

See Heading 8. Exposure controls and personal protection.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

- Additional hazards when processed : May be corrosive to metals.
- Precautions for safe handling : Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Remove contaminated clothing immediately. Use corrosionproof equipment. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking or smoking and when leaving work. Provide good ventilation in process area to prevent formation of vapor. Do not breathe mist, vapors, spray.
- Hygiene measures : Wash exposed skin thoroughly after handling. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

- Technical measures : Comply with applicable regulations.
- Storage conditions : Keep container closed when not in use. Store in original container. Keep only in the original container in a cool, well ventilated place away from : incompatible materials.
- Incompatible products : Strong acids. Strong bases.
- Incompatible materials : Sources of ignition. Direct sunlight.
- Storage temperature : 5 - 30 °C
- Prohibitions on mixed storage : KEEP SUBSTANCE AWAY FROM: strong acids. metals. metal powders.
- Storage area : Keep locked up. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep only in the original container.
- Special rules on packaging : SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: corrosion-proof.
- Packaging materials : Do not store in corrodable metal.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1. Control parameters

Water (7732-18-5)		
Not applicable		
Sodium Hydroxide (1310-73-2)		
ACGIH	ACGIH Ceiling (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
OSHA	OSHA PEL (TWA) (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
IDLH	US IDLH (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
NIOSH	NIOSH REL (ceiling) (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

### 8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

- Appropriate engineering controls : Emergency eye wash fountains should be available in the immediate vicinity of any potential exposure.

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### 8.3. Individual protection measures/Personal protective equipment

#### Personal protective equipment:

Gloves. Safety glasses. Protective clothing. Head/neck protection. Chemical resistant apron.



#### Hand protection:

Wear chemically resistant protective gloves. Wear protective gloves.

#### Eye protection:

Chemical goggles or face shield

#### Skin and body protection:

Wear suitable protective clothing

#### Respiratory protection:

Respiratory protection not required in normal conditions

#### Thermal hazard protection:

None necessary.

#### Other information:

Do not eat, drink or smoke during use.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	: Liquid
Appearance	: Clear, colorless liquid.
Color	: clear Colorless
Odor	: odorless
Odor threshold	: No data available
pH	: $\geq 14$
Melting point	: No data available
Freezing point	: No data available
Boiling point	: No data available
Flash point	: No data available
Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1)	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: Non flammable.
Vapor pressure	: No data available
Relative vapor density at 20 °C	: No data available
Relative density	: No data available
Specific gravity / density	: 1.43 g/ml
Solubility	: No data available
Log Pow	: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	: No data available
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: 25.4 cSt
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Explosion limits	: No data available
Explosive properties	: Not applicable.
Oxidizing properties	: None.

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### 9.2. Other information

No additional information available

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

Reacts with (some) metals: release of highly flammable gases/vapours (hydrogen). Thermal decomposition generates : Corrosive vapors.

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Not established.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Incompatible materials. Direct sunlight. Extremely high or low temperatures.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

metals. Strong acids.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Sodium oxide. Thermal decomposition generates : Corrosive vapors.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Likely routes of exposure : Skin and eye contact

Acute toxicity : Not classified

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LD50 dermal rabbit	3375 mg/kg
ATE US (dermal)	3375 mg/kg body weight
Water (7732-18-5)	
LD50 oral rat	≥ 90000 mg/kg
ATE US (oral)	90000 mg/kg body weight

Skin corrosion/irritation : Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
pH: ≥ 14

Serious eye damage/irritation : Causes serious eye damage.  
pH: ≥ 14

Respiratory or skin sensitization : Not classified

Germ cell mutagenicity : Not classified  
Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Carcinogenicity : Not classified

Reproductive toxicity : Not classified  
Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure : Not classified

Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure : Not classified

Aspiration hazard : Not classified

Potential Adverse human health effects and symptoms : Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Symptoms/effects after inhalation : Coughing. Irritation of the respiratory tract. Irritation of the nasal mucous membranes.

Symptoms/effects after skin contact : Caustic burns/corrosion of the skin.

Symptoms/effects after eye contact : Causes serious eye damage.

Symptoms/effects after ingestion : Abdominal pain. Bleeding of the gastrointestinal tract. Burns to the gastric/intestinal mucosa.  
Nausea. Possible esophageal perforation.

Symptoms/effects upon intravenous administration : Not available.

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Chronic symptoms : Not available.

### SECTION 12: Ecological information

#### 12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general : The product is not considered harmful to aquatic organisms or to cause long-term adverse effects in the environment.

Ecology - water : Toxic to aquatic life.

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LC50 fish 1	113.5 mg/l
EC50 Daphnia 1	101 mg/l

Sodium Hydroxide (1310-73-2)	
LC50 fish 1	45.4 mg/l (Other, 96 h, Salmo gairdneri, Static system, Fresh water, Experimental value)
EC50 Daphnia 1	40.4 mg/l (Other, 48 h, Ceriodaphnia sp., Experimental value)

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

Sodium Hydroxide, 40% w/w	
Persistence and degradability	No data available.

Water (7732-18-5)	
Persistence and degradability	Not established.

Sodium Hydroxide (1310-73-2)	
Persistence and degradability	Biodegradability: not applicable.
Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)	Not applicable (inorganic)
Chemical oxygen demand (COD)	Not applicable (inorganic)
ThOD	Not applicable (inorganic)

#### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Sodium Hydroxide, 40% w/w	
Bioaccumulative potential	Not established.

Water (7732-18-5)	
Bioaccumulative potential	Not established.

Sodium Hydroxide (1310-73-2)	
Bioaccumulative potential	Not bioaccumulative.

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

Sodium Hydroxide (1310-73-2)	
Ecology - soil	No (test)data on mobility of the substance available.

#### 12.5. Other adverse effects

Other adverse effects : May cause pH changes in aqueous ecological systems.

Other information : Avoid release to the environment.

### SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

#### 13.1. Disposal methods

Waste disposal recommendations : Dispose of contents/container to comply with local, state and federal regulations. Dispose in a safe manner in accordance with local/national regulations.

Ecology - waste materials : Avoid release to the environment.

### SECTION 14: Transport information

#### Department of Transportation (DOT)

In accordance with DOT

Transport document description : UN1824 Sodium hydroxide solution, 8, II

UN-No.(DOT) : UN1824

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Proper Shipping Name (DOT) : Sodium hydroxide solution  
 Transport hazard class(es) (DOT) : 8 - Class 8 - Corrosive material 49 CFR 173.136  
 Packing group (DOT) : II - Medium Danger  
 Hazard labels (DOT) : 8 - Corrosive



DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 202  
 DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 242  
 DOT Special Provisions (49 CFR 172.102) : B2 - MC 300, MC 301, MC 302, MC 303, MC 305, and MC 306 and DOT 406 cargo tanks are not authorized.  
 IB2 - Authorized IBCs: Metal (31A, 31B and 31N); Rigid plastics (31H1 and 31H2); Composite (31HZ1). Additional Requirement: Only liquids with a vapor pressure less than or equal to 110 kPa at 50 C (1.1 bar at 122 F), or 130 kPa at 55 C (1.3 bar at 131 F) are authorized.  
 N34 - Aluminum construction materials are not authorized for any part of a packaging which is normally in contact with the hazardous material.  
 T7 - 4 178.274(d)(2) Normal..... 178.275(d)(3)  
 TP2 - a. The maximum degree of filling must not exceed the degree of filling determined by the following: (image) Where: tr is the maximum mean bulk temperature during transport, tf is the temperature in degrees celsius of the liquid during filling, and a is the mean coefficient of cubical expansion of the liquid between the mean temperature of the liquid during filling (tf) and the maximum mean bulk temperature during transportation (tr) both in degrees celsius. b. For liquids transported under ambient conditions may be calculated using the formula: (image) Where: d15 and d50 are the densities (in units of mass per unit volume) of the liquid at 15 C (59 F) and 50 C (122 F), respectively.  
 DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx) : 154  
 DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail (49 CFR 173.27) : 1 L  
 DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 CFR 175.75) : 30 L  
 DOT Vessel Stowage Location : A - The material may be stowed "on deck" or "under deck" on a cargo vessel and on a passenger vessel.  
 DOT Vessel Stowage Other : 52 - Stow "separated from" acids  
 Other information : No supplementary information available.

### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

#### 15.1. US Federal regulations

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SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes	Immediate (acute) health hazard
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All components of this product are listed, or excluded from listing, on the United States Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory

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RQ (Reportable quantity, section 304 of EPA's List of Lists)	1000 lb
SARA Section 311/312 Hazard Classes	Immediate (acute) health hazard

#### 15.2. International regulations

##### CANADA

No additional information available

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Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)
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##### EU-Regulations

No additional information available

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### National regulations

No additional information available

### 15.3. US State regulations

California Proposition 65 - This product does not contain any substances known to the state of California to cause cancer, developmental and/or reproductive harm

## SECTION 16: Other information

Revision date : 04/03/2018

Other information : None.

Full text of H-phrases: see section 16:

H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
H318	Causes serious eye damage
H402	Harmful to aquatic life

NFPA health hazard

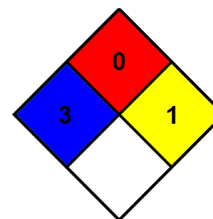
: 3 - Materials that, under emergency conditions, can cause serious or permanent injury.

NFPA fire hazard

: 0 - Materials that will not burn under typical fire conditions, including intrinsically noncombustible materials such as concrete, stone, and sand.

NFPA reactivity

: 1 - Materials that in themselves are normally stable but can become unstable at elevated temperatures and pressures.



Hazard Rating

Health : 3 Serious Hazard - Major injury likely unless prompt action is taken and medical treatment is given

Flammability : 0 Minimal Hazard - Materials that will not burn

Physical : 1 Slight Hazard - Materials that are normally stable but can become unstable (self-react) at high temperatures and pressures. Materials may react non-violently with water or undergo hazardous polymerization in the absence of inhibitors.

Personal protection

: D  
D - Face shield and eye protection, Gloves, Synthetic apron

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