# SAFETY DATA SHEET

**1. Identification**

**Product Name**: Sodium Hydroxide Solution, 0.5N (Certified)

**Cat No.**: SS270-1; SS270-4; SS270-20

**Synonyms**: Caustic soda solution; Lye solution (Certified)

**Recommended Use**: Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against**: Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

**Company**: Fisher Scientific
One Reagent Lane
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410
Tel: (201) 796-7100

**Emergency Telephone Number**
CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Classification**
This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

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<th>Hazard</th>
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<td>Corrosive to metals</td>
<td>Category 1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Skin Corrosion/irritation</td>
<td>Category 1</td>
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<td>Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation</td>
<td>Category 1</td>
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<td>Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)</td>
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<td>Target Organs - Respiratory system.</td>
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**Label Elements**

**Signal Word**: Danger

**Hazard Statements**
- May be corrosive to metals
- Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
- May cause respiratory irritation
Precautionary Statements

Prevention
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Keep only in original container

Response
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

Inhalation
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

Skin
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

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

Ingestion
IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting

Spills
Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

Storage
Store locked up
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner
Store in a dry place

Disposal
Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)
None identified

### 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

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<th>Component</th>
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<td>Sodium hydroxide</td>
<td>1310-73-2</td>
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### 4. First-aid measures

#### Eye Contact
Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

#### Skin Contact
Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

#### Inhalation
Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

Most important symptoms and effects

Causes burns by all exposure routes. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation.

Notes to Physician

Treat symptomatically.

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5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media

Carbon dioxide (CO2)

Flash Point

Not applicable

Method -

No information available

Autoignition Temperature

No information available

Explosion Limits

Upper

No data available

Lower

No data available

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact

No information available

Sensitivity to Static Discharge

No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Corrosive Material. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Sodium oxides

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

NFPA

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6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions

Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

Environmental Precautions

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. Handling and storage

Handling

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

Storage

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines
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<tr>
<th>Component</th>
<th>ACGIH TLV</th>
<th>OSHA PEL</th>
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<th>Mexico OEL (TWA)</th>
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<td>(Vacated) Ceiling: 2 mg/m³</td>
<td>IDLH: 10 mg/m³</td>
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**Legend**
AGCIIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration
NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

**Engineering Measures**
Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eye/face Protection**
Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin and body protection**
Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection**
Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Hygiene Measures**
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

### 9. Physical and chemical properties

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### 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactive Hazard**
None known, based on information available

**Stability**
Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid

Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to air or moisture over prolonged periods.

Incompatible Materials

Acids, Metals

Hazardous Decomposition Products

Sodium oxides

Hazardous Polymerization

Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Hazardous Reactions

None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Component Information

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<th>LD50 Oral</th>
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Toxicologically Synergistic Products

No information available

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation

Causes burns by all exposure routes

Sensitization

No information available

Carcinogenicity

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

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<th>Component</th>
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Mutagenic Effects

Mutagenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

Reproductive Effects

No information available.

Developmental Effects

No information available.

Teratogenicity

No information available.

STOT - single exposure

Respiratory system

STOT - repeated exposure

None known

Aspiration hazard

No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed

Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

Endocrine Disruptor Information

No information available

Other Adverse Effects

See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains.

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<th>Component</th>
<th>Freshwater Algae</th>
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Persistence and Degradability  No information available
Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation  No information available.
Mobility  No information available.

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal Methods  Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

14. Transport information

DOT
UN-No  UN1824
Proper Shipping Name  SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Hazard Class  8
Packing Group  II

TDG
UN-No  UN1824
Proper Shipping Name  SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Hazard Class  8
Packing Group  II

IATA
UN-No  UN1824
Proper Shipping Name  SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Hazard Class  8
Packing Group  II

IMDG/IMO
UN-No  UN1824
Proper Shipping Name  SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Hazard Class  8
Packing Group  II

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

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Legend:
X - Listed
E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.
F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.
N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.
P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance
R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.
S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule
T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.
XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B).
Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.
Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b)  Not applicable
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SARA 313  Not applicable

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories  See section 2 for more information

CWA (Clean Water Act)

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Clean Air Act  Not applicable

OSHA  Occupational Safety and Health Administration  Not applicable

CERCLA  This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

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California Proposition 65  This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

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U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ):  Y
DOT Marine Pollutant  N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant  N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security  This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade  No information available

16. Other information

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Revision Summary  This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS).

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End of SDS