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SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier

Product Name Sodium Hydroxide Solution 5.0 N

Other means of identification

Product Code(s) 245032

Safety data sheet number M00438

UN/ID no UN1824

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended Use Laboratory Use. Standard solution.

Uses advised against None.

Restrictions on use None.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Manufacturer Address

Hach Company, P.O.Box 389, Loveland, CO 80539, USA, +1(970) 669-3050

Emergency telephone number

+1(303) 623-5716 - 24 Hour Service

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification

Regulatory Status

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

Corrosive to metals	Category 1
Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 1
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 1

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Not applicable

Label elements

Signal word

Danger

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Hazard statements

H290 - May be corrosive to metals
H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

Precautionary statements

P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
P280 - Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection, and face protection
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
P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse
P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing
P405 - Store locked up
P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant
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
P234 - Keep only in original container
P390 - Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

Other Hazards Known

None

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance

Not applicable

Mixture

Percent ranges are used where confidential product information is applicable.

Chemical name	CAS No.	Percent Range	HMRIC #
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	10 - 20%	-

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures

General advice

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

Inhalation

Remove to fresh air. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention immediately. 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. If breathing is difficult, (trained personnel should) give oxygen. Delayed pulmonary edema may occur. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

Eye contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. Do not rub affected area. Get immediate medical advice/attention.

Skin contact	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Get immediate medical advice/attention.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do NOT induce vomiting. Get immediate medical advice/attention.
Self-protection of the first aider	Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination. Avoid direct contact with skin. Use barrier to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms	Burning sensation.
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Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to physicians	Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated. Do not give chemical antidotes. Asphyxia from glottal edema may occur. Marked decrease in blood pressure may occur with moist rales, frothy sputum, and high pulse pressure.
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5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	Caution: Use of water spray when fighting fire may be inefficient.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.
Hazardous combustion products	This material will not burn.
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear. Use personal protection equipment.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

U.S. Notice	Only persons properly qualified to respond to an emergency involving hazardous substances may respond to a spill according to federal regulations (OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120(a)(v)) and per your company's emergency response plan and guidelines/procedures. See Section 13, Special Instructions for disposal assistance. Outside of the US, only persons properly qualified according to state or local regulations should respond to a spill involving chemicals.
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Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions	Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Attention! Corrosive material. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.
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Other Information	Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 7 and 8.
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Environmental precautions

Environmental precautions	Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Should not be released into the
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environment. Do not allow to enter into soil/subsoil. Prevent product from entering drains.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment	Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.
Methods for cleaning up	Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel, acid binder, universal binder, sawdust). Take up mechanically, placing in appropriate containers for disposal.
Prevention of secondary hazards	Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations.
Reference to other sections	See section 8 for more information. See section 13 for more information.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Handle product only in closed system or provide appropriate exhaust ventilation. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
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Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage Conditions	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect from moisture. Store locked up. Keep out of the reach of children. Store away from other materials.
Flammability class	Not applicable

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control parameters

Exposure Guidelines

Chemical name	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH
Sodium hydroxide CAS#: 1310-73-2	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	TWA: 2 mg/m ³ (vacated) Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	IDLH: 10 mg/m ³ Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³

Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering Controls	Showers Eyewash stations Ventilation systems.
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Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection	No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions. If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, ventilation and evacuation may be required.
Hand Protection	Wear suitable gloves. Impervious gloves.
Eye/face protection	Face protection shield.
Skin and body protection	Wear suitable protective clothing. Long sleeved clothing. Chemical resistant apron. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing.
General Hygiene Considerations	Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this

product. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing is recommended. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

Environmental exposure controls Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any body of water.

Thermal hazards None under normal processing.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	Liquid	Color	colorless
Appearance	aqueous solution	Odor threshold	No data available
Odor	Odorless		

Property	Values	Remarks • Method
Molecular weight	No data available	
pH	14	@ 20 °C
Melting point / freezing point	-24 °C / -11.2 °F	
Initial boiling point and boiling range	107 °C / 224.6 °F	
Evaporation rate	No data available	
Vapor pressure	15.752 mm Hg / 2.1 kPa at 20 °C / 68 °F	
Relative vapor density	0.62	
Specific gravity - VALUE 1	1.181	
Partition coefficient	Not applicable	
Soil Organic Carbon-Water Partition Coefficient	Not applicable	
Autoignition temperature	No data available	
Decomposition temperature	No data available	
Dynamic viscosity	~ 4.5 cP (mPa s) at 20 °C / 68 °F	
Kinematic viscosity	~ 3.81 cSt (mm²/s) at 20 °C / 68 °F	

Solubility(ies)

Water solubility

Water solubility classification	Water solubility	Water Solubility Temperature
Soluble	> 1000 mg/L	25 °C / 77 °F

Solubility in other solvents

Chemical Name	Solubility classification	Solubility	Solubility Temperature
Acid	Soluble	> 1000 mg/L	25 °C / 77 °F
Methanol	Soluble	> 1000 mg/L	25 °C / 77 °F
Ethyl alcohol	Soluble	> 1000 mg/L	25 °C / 77 °F

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Glycerol	Soluble	> 1000 mg/L	25 °C / 77 °F
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Other information

Corrosive to metals

Classified as corrosive to metal according to GHS criteria

Steel Corrosion Rate

0 mm/yr / 0 in/yr

Aluminum Corrosion Rate

> 508 mm/yr / > 20 in/yr

Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) Content

Chemical name	CAS No.	Volatile organic compounds (VOC) content	CAA (Clean Air Act)
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	No data available	-

Explosive properties

Upper explosion limit

No data available

Lower explosion limit

No data available

Flammable properties

Flash point

No data available

Flammability Limit in Air

Upper flammability limit:

No data available

Lower flammability limit:

No data available

Oxidizing properties

No data available.

Bulk density

No data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity

Corrosive on contact with water. Corrosive to metal.

Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

Explosion data

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact None.

Sensitivity to Static Discharge None.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

None under normal processing.

Hazardous polymerization

None under normal processing.

Conditions to avoid

Exposure to air or moisture over prolonged periods.

Incompatible materials

Oxidizing agent. Acids. Bases.

Hazardous decomposition products

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

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on likely routes of exposure

Product Information

Inhalation

Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Corrosive by inhalation. (based on components). Inhalation of corrosive fumes/gases may cause coughing, choking, headache, dizziness, and weakness for several hours. Pulmonary edema may occur with tightness in the chest, shortness of breath, bluish skin, decreased blood pressure, and increased heart rate. Inhaled corrosive substances can lead to a toxic edema of the lungs. Pulmonary edema can be fatal.

Eye contact

Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Causes burns. (based on components). Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness. Causes serious eye damage. May cause irreversible damage to eyes.

Skin contact

Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Corrosive. Causes severe burns. Avoid contact with skin and clothing.

Ingestion

Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available. Causes burns. (based on components). Ingestion causes burns of the upper digestive and respiratory tracts. May cause severe burning pain in the mouth and stomach with vomiting and diarrhea of dark blood. Blood pressure may decrease. Brownish or yellowish stains may be seen around the mouth. Swelling of the throat may cause shortness of breath and choking. May cause lung damage if swallowed. May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.

Symptoms

Redness. Burning. May cause blindness. Coughing and/ or wheezing.

Acute toxicity

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Mixture

No data available.

Ingredient Acute Toxicity Data

No data available.

Unknown Acute Toxicity

0% of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown toxicity.

Acute Toxicity Estimations (ATE)

ATEmix (oral)	No information available
ATEmix (dermal)	No information available
ATEmix (inhalation-dust/mist)	No information available
ATEmix (inhalation-vapor)	No information available
ATEmix (inhalation-gas)	No information available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Causes severe burns.

Mixture

No data available.

Ingredient Skin Corrosion/Irritation Data

No data available.

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Chemical name	Test method	Species	Reported dose	Exposure time	Results	Key literature references and sources for data
Sodium hydroxide (10 - 20%) CAS#: 1310-73-2	Patch test	Human	20 mg	24 hours	Corrosive to skin	RTECS

Serious eye damage/irritation

Classification based on data available for ingredients. Causes burns. Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Mixture

No data available.

Ingredient Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Data

No data available.

Chemical name	Test method	Species	Reported dose	Exposure time	Results	Key literature references and sources for data
Sodium hydroxide (10 - 20%) CAS#: 1310-73-2	Standard Draize Test	Rabbit	0.05 mg	24 hours	Corrosive to eyes	RTECS

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Mixture

No data available.

Ingredient Sensitization Data

No data available.

STOT - single exposure

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Mixture

No data available.

Ingredient Specific Target Organ Toxicity Single Exposure Data

No data available.

STOT - repeated exposure

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Mixture

No data available.

Ingredient Specific Target Organ Toxicity Repeat Exposure Data

No data available.

Carcinogenicity

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Mixture

No data available.

Ingredient Carcinogenicity Data

No data available.

Chemical name	CAS No.	ACGIH	IARC	NTP	OSHA
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	-	-	-	-

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ACGIH (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)	Does not apply
NTP (National Toxicology Program)	Does not apply
OSHA	Does not apply

Germ cell mutagenicity

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Mixture *invitro* Data

No data available.

Substance *invitro* Data

No data available.

Mixture *in vivo* Data

No data available.

Substance *in vivo* Data

No data available.

Reproductive toxicity

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Mixture

No data available.

Ingredient Reproductive Toxicity Data

No data available.

Aspiration hazard

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

Unknown aquatic toxicity

0% of the mixture consists of components(s) of unknown hazards to the aquatic environment.

Mixture

Aquatic Acute Toxicity

No data available.

Aquatic Chronic Toxicity

No data available.

Substance

Aquatic Acute Toxicity

No data available.

Chemical name	Exposure time	Species	Endpoint type	Reported dose	Key literature references and sources for data
Sodium hydroxide (10 - 20%) CAS#: 1310-73-2	96 hours	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>	LC ₅₀	45.4 mg/L	IUCLID
Chemical name	Exposure time	Species	Endpoint type	Reported dose	Key literature references and sources for data
Sodium hydroxide	48 Hours	<i>Daphnia sp.</i>	EC ₅₀	40.4 mg/L	IUCLID

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(10 - 20%) CAS#: 1310-73-2					
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Aquatic Chronic Toxicity

No data available.

Persistence and degradability

Mixture

No data available.

Mixture

No data available.

Partition coefficient

Not applicable

Mobility

Soil Organic Carbon-Water Partition Coefficient

Not applicable

Other adverse effects

No information available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues/unused products

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation.

Contaminated packaging

Do not reuse empty containers.

US EPA Waste Number

D002

Special instructions for disposal

Work in an approved fume hood. Dilute to 3 to 5 times the volume with cold water. Adjust to a pH between 6 and 9 with an acid, such as sulfuric or citric. If permitted by regulation. Open cold water tap completely, slowly pour the reacted material to the drain. Allow cold water to run for 5 minutes to completely flush the system. Check with local municipal and state authorities and waste contractors for pertinent local information regarding the proper disposal of chemicals.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT

UN/ID no	UN1824
Proper shipping name	SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Transport hazard class(es)	8
Packing Group	II
Emergency Response Guide Number	154

TDG

UN/ID no	UN1824
Proper shipping name	SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Transport hazard class(es)	8
Packing Group	II

IATA

UN number or ID number	UN1824
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Proper shipping name	Sodium hydroxide solution
Transport hazard class(es)	8
Packing group	II
ERG Code	8L

IMDG

UN number or ID number	UN1824
Proper shipping name	SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Transport hazard class(es)	8
Packing Group	II
EmS-No	F-A, S-B

Note: No special precautions necessary.

Additional information

There is a possibility that this product could be contained in a reagent set or kit composed of various compatible dangerous goods. If the item is not in a reagent set or kit, the classification given above applies.
If the item is part of a reagent set or kit the classification would change to the following:
UN3316 Chemical Kit, Hazard Class 9, Packing Group II or III.
If the item is not regulated, the Chemical Kit classification does not apply.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

National Inventories

For Inventory status, "complies" means, listed on the inventory, exempted or otherwise complies.

TSCA	Complies
DSL/NDSL	Complies

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory
DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

International Inventories

EINECS/ELINCS	Complies
ENCS	Complies
IECSC	Complies
KECI	Complies
PICCS	Complies
TCSI	Complies
AICS	Complies
NZIoC	Complies

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances
ENCS - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances
IECSC - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances
KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substances Inventory
AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

US Federal Regulations

SARA 313

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Acute health hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire hazard	No

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Sudden release of pressure hazard
Reactive Hazard

No
No

CWA (Clean Water Act)

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42)

Chemical name	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants	CWA - Hazardous Substances
Sodium hydroxide 1310-73-2	1000 lb	-	-	X

CERCLA

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material

Chemical name	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA/SARA RQ	Reportable Quantity (RQ)
Sodium hydroxide 1310-73-2	1000 lb	-	RQ 1000 lb final RQ RQ 454 kg final RQ

US State Regulations

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

This product may contain substances regulated by state right-to-know regulations.

Chemical name	New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Sodium hydroxide 1310-73-2	X	X	X

U.S. EPA Label Information

Chemical name	FIFRA	FDA
Sodium hydroxide	180.0910	21 CFR 184.1763

16. OTHER INFORMATION, INCLUDING DATE OF PREPARATION OF THE LAST REVISION

Special Comments

None

Additional information

Global Automotive Declarable Substance List (GADSL)

Not applicable

NFPA and HMIS Classifications

NFPA	Health hazards - 3	Flammability - 0	Instability - 0	Physical and chemical properties -
HMIS	Health hazards - 3	Flammability - 0	Physical hazards - 0	Personal protection - X - I

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

ACGIH	ACGIH (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)
ATSDR	ATSDR (Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry)
CCRIS	CCRIS (Chemical Carcinogenesis Research Information System)
CDC	CDC (Center for Disease Control)
CEPA	CEPA (Canadian Environmental Protection Agency)
CICAD	CICAD (Concise International Chemical Assessment Documents)
ECHA	ECHA (The European Chemicals Agency)
EEA	EEA (European Environment Agency)
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
ERMA	ERMA (New Zealand's Environmental Risk Management Authority)
ECOSARS	Estimation through ECOSARS v1.11 part of the Estimation Programs Interface (EPI) Suite™
FDA	FDA (Food & Drug Administration)
GESTIS	GESTIS (Information System on Hazardous Substances of the German Social Accident Insurance)
HSDB	HSDB (Hazardous Substances Data Bank)
INERIS	INERIS (The National Industrial Environment and Risks Institute)
IPCS INCHEM	IPCS INCHEM (International Programme on Chemical Safety)
IUCLID	IUCLID (The International Uniform Chemical Information Database)
NITE	Japan National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE)
NIH	NIH (National Institutes of Health)
NIOSH	NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)
LOLI	LOLI (List of Lists - An International Chemical Regulatory Database)
NDF	no data
NICNAS	Australia National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)
NIOSH IDLH	Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration of the US Department of Labor
PEEN	PEEN (Pan European Ecological Network)
RTECS	RTECS (Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances)
SIDS	SIDS (Screening Information Dataset) for High Volume Chemicals
SYKE	The Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE)
USDA	USDA (United States Department of Agriculture)
USDC	USDC (United States Department of Commerce)
WHO	WHO (World Health Organization)

Legend - Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

TWA	TWA (time-weighted average)	STEL	STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)
MAC	Maximum Allowable Concentration	Ceiling	Ceiling Limit Value
X	Listed	Vacated	These values have no official status. The only binding levels of contaminants are those listed in the final OSHA PEL. These lists are for reference purposes only. Please note that some reference state regulations of these "liberated" exposure limits in their state regulations.
SKN*	Skin designation	SKN+	Skin sensitization
RSP+	Respiratory sensitization	**	Hazard Designation
C	Carcinogen	R	Reproductive toxicant
M	mutagen		

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