



Material Safety Data Sheet

This material is hazardous according to criteria of NOHSC.

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for Transport by Road and Rail.

1. Identification of the substance/preparation and of the company/undertaking

Product Name: SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE SOLUTION (10-13% AVAILABLE CHLORINE)

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2. Composition/information on ingredients

Product Description: Dairy, food and beverage Industries: Sanitising processing equipment.
 Textile Industry: Bleaching agent.
 Water treatment: Sanitising agent.
 Pale yellow to green liquid with a chlorine odour. Available chlorine = 10 - 13%.

Components / CAS Number	Proportion	Risk Phrases
Water	>60%	Non hazardous
7732-18-5 Sodium hypochlorite	10-<30%	R31, R34, R41
7681-52-9 Sodium hydroxide	<1%	R35, R41
1310-73-2		

3. Hazards identification

Risk Phrases: Contact with acids liberates toxic gas. Causes burns. Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Poisons Schedule: None allocated.

4. First-aid measures

For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone eg. Australia 131 126; New Zealand 0 800 764766) or a doctor.

Inhalation: Remove victim from area of exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen remaining clothing. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm.

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Keep at rest until fully recovered. If patient finds breathing difficult and develops a bluish discoloration of the skin (which suggests a lack of oxygen in the blood - cyanosis), ensure airways are clear of any obstruction and have a qualified person give oxygen through a face mask. Apply artificial respiration if patient is not breathing. Seek immediate medical advice.

Skin Contact: If spilt on large areas of skin or hair, immediately drench with running water and remove clothing. Continue to wash skin and hair with plenty of water (and soap if material is insoluble) until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

Eye Contact: If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

Ingestion: Immediately rinse mouth with water. If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water. Seek immediate medical assistance.

Notes to physician: Treat symptomatically. Can cause corneal burns. Delayed pulmonary oedema may result.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Specific Hazards: Non-combustible material.

Fire-fighting advice: Decomposes on heating emitting toxic fumes. Fire fighters to wear self-contained breathing apparatus and suitable protective clothing if risk of exposure to products of decomposition.

Suitable Extinguishing Media: Not combustible, however, if material is involved in a fire use: Water fog (or if unavailable fine water spray), foam, dry agent (carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder).

6. Accidental release measures

Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Slippery when spilt. Avoid accidents, clean up immediately. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contact and breathing in vapours. Work up wind or increase ventilation. Contain - prevent run off into drains and waterways. Use absorbent (soil, sand or other inert material). Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal. Wash area down with excess water. If contamination of sewers or waterways has occurred advise local emergency services.

7. Handling and storage

Handling advice: Avoid skin and eye contact and breathing in vapour, mists and aerosols. Keep out of reach of children.

Storage advice: Store in cool place and out of direct sunlight. Store away from foodstuffs. Store away from incompatible materials described in Section 10. Keep containers closed when not in use - check regularly for leaks.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Occupational Exposure Limits:
No value assigned for this specific material by the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission. However, Exposure Standard(s) for decomposition product(s):

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Chlorine: Peak Limitation = 3 mg/m³ (1 ppm)

As published by the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission.

Peak Limitation - a ceiling concentration which should not be exceeded over a measurement period which should be as short as possible but not exceeding 15 minutes.

These Exposure Standards are guides to be used in the control of occupational health hazards. All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable. These exposure standards should not be used as fine dividing lines between safe and dangerous concentrations of chemicals. They are not a measure of relative toxicity.

Engineering Control Measures:

Ensure ventilation is adequate and that air concentrations of components are controlled below quoted Exposure Standards. If inhalation risk exists: Use with local exhaust ventilation or while wearing air supplied mask. Keep containers closed when not in use.

Personal Protective Equipment:

Orica Personal Protection Guide No. 1, 1998: D - OVERALLS, RUBBER BOOTS, FACE SHIELD, SAFETY SHOES, GLOVES (Long), APRON.

Wear overalls, face shield, elbow-length impervious gloves, splash apron and rubber boots. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storage or re-use.

If risk of inhalation exists, wear air supplied respirator meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical state:	Liquid
Colour:	Pale yellow - Green
Odour:	Slight Chlorine
Solubility:	Miscible in water.
Specific Gravity:	1.2 @20°C
Flash Point (°C):	Not applicable
Flammability Limits (%):	Not applicable
Autoflammation Temperature (°C):	Not applicable
% Volatile by Volume:	Not available
Solubility in water (g/L):	Complete
Melting Point/Range (°C):	Not available
Decomposition Point (°C):	Not available
pH:	12.5 (1% w/w)
Viscosity:	Not available

10. Stability and reactivity

Stability: Incompatible with acids, metals, metal salts, reducing agents, peroxides, and ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid.

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11. Toxicological information

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

- Ingestion:** Swallowing can result in nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain and chemical burns to the gastrointestinal tract.
- Eye contact:** A severe eye irritant. Corrosive to eyes; contact can cause corneal burns. Contamination of eyes can result in permanent injury.
- Skin contact:** Contact with skin will result in severe irritation. Corrosive to skin - may cause skin burns.
- Inhalation:** Breathing in mists or aerosols may produce respiratory irritation. Delayed (up to 48 hours) fluid build up in the lungs may occur.

Long Term Effects:

No information available for the product.

Toxicological Data:

No LD50 data available for the product. For the constituent SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE:

Oral LD50 (mice): 5800 mg/kg
EYES: Moderate irritant (rabbit).

12. Ecotoxicological information

Avoid contaminating waterways.
For SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE:

Environmental fate, persistence and degradation:
This material is biodegradable.

Aquatic toxicity:
Very toxic to aquatic organisms.
48hr LC50 (fish): 0.07 - 5.9 mg/L.

Terrestrial toxicity: Expected to be harmful to terrestrial species.

13. Disposal considerations

Refer to Waste Management Authority. Dispose of material through a licensed waste contractor. Decontamination and destruction of containers should be considered.

14. Transport information

Road and Rail Transport

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Packing Group: III
Proper Shipping Name: HYPOCHLORITE SOLUTION
Hazchem Code: 2X

Marine Transport

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

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Proper Shipping Name: HYPOCHLORITE SOLUTION

Air Transport

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air.

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15. Regulatory information

Classification: This material is hazardous according to criteria of NOHSC.
 C: Corrosive

Risk Phrase(s): R31: Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.
 R34: Causes burns.
 R41: Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Safety Phrase(s): S24/25: Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
 S26: In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
 S36/37/39: Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.
 S45: In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label whenever possible).
 S50: Do not mix with acids.

Poisons Schedule: None allocated.

All the constituents of this material are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

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16. Other information

'Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances'. Ed. D. Sweet, US Dept. of Health & Human Services: Cincinnati, 2003.

In: 'The Dictionary of Substances and their Effects'. Ed. Gangoli S. Royal Society of Chemistry, 1999.

Reason(s) for Issue:

Change in Stability and Reactivity requirements

This MSDS summarises to our best knowledge at the date of issue, the chemical health and safety hazards of the material and general guidance on how to safely handle the material in the workplace. Since Orica Limited cannot anticipate or control the conditions under which the product may be used, each user must, prior to usage, assess and control the risks arising from its use of the material.

If clarification or further information is needed, the user should contact their Orica representative or Orica Limited at the contact details on page 1.

Orica Limited's responsibility for the material as sold is subject to the terms and conditions of sale, a copy of which is available upon request.

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