

CAUSTIC SODA

SAFETY DATA SHEET


1. COMPANY AND PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

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| 1.1 | Identification – Product Name: | Caustic Soda |
| 1.2 | Other means of identification | Sodium Hydroxide; Sodium Hydrate |
| | Synonym: | P0021 |
| 1.3 | Recommended Use of the Chemical and Restrictions on Use: | To be used in the manufacture of chemical products including soaps and detergents |
| 1.4 | Name, Address, And Telephone Number of the Manufacturer, Or Other Responsible Party: | Curran Cleaning Supplies 1/1 Churchill Street, Williamstown 3016 Victoria |
| | Competent Person email address | sales@currancleaningsupplies.com.au |
| | 1.5 | Poisons Hotline (24 hrs): |
| 1.6 | Issued Date | NOVEMBER 2021 |

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW: This product constitutes white pearls. May cause skin corrosion (burns) or serious eye damage. May cause respiratory irritation if inhaled. May be corrosive to metals. This product is not flammable.

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| Physical Hazards Summary | | Metal corrosion, Category 1 |
| Potential Health Hazards Summary | | Serious eye damage, Category 1 Skin corrosion, Category 1A Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure (inhalation), Category 3 |
| Potential Ecological Effects Summary | | Not classifiable |
| 2.1 | Classification of Product | |
| | Classification as per GHS (Rev 3)/2009 | Serious eye damage, Category 1 Skin corrosion, Category 1A Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure (inhalation), Category 3 |
| 2.2 | Label Elements GHS | |
| | Signal Word | DANGER; WARNING |
| | Hazard Statements | H318 H314 H335 H290 Causes serious eye damage. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. May cause respiratory irritation. May be corrosive to metals. |
| | Precautionary Statements: Prevention | P264 P280 P260 P272 P273 P391 P270 Wash thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Do not breathe dust. Contaminated clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Avoid release to the environment. Collect spillage. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. |
| | Precautionary Statements: | P305+P351+P338+P310 IF IN EYES rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do – continue |

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| | Response | P302+P352 P321 P332+P313 P363 P333+P313 P301+P310 | rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. IF ON SKIN wash with soap and water. Specific treatment: See first aid section on this SDS. If skin irritation occurs, get medical advice/attention. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If skin irritation or a rash occurs, get medical advice/attention. IF SWALLOWED immediately call a POISON CENTER. |
| | Precautionary statements: Storage | None | None |
| | Precautionary Statements: Disposal | P501 | Dispose of contents/container in accordance with all federal, state and local regulation. |
| | Hazard pictograms |  | |
| 2.3 | Unclassified Hazards | None | |
| 2.4 | Ingredients with unknown acute toxicity | None | |

3. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| Chemical name CAS # | % w/w | GHS |
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| Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2) | 92 – 100% | Corrosive to metals, Category 1 (H290) Skin corrosion, Category 1 (H315) Serious eye damage, Category 1 (H318) |

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

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| 4.1 | Description of Necessary Measures | |
| | Skin exposure: | If this product contaminates the skin, immediately begin decontamination with running water. Remove exposed or contaminated clothing, taking care not to contaminate eyes. Victim should seek immediate medical attention if any adverse exposure symptoms develop or irritation persists. |
| | Eye exposure: | If this product enters the eyes, open victim's eyes while under gently running water. Use sufficient force to open eyelids. Victim should "roll" eyes while being flushed. Minimum flushing is for 15 minutes. Seek medical attention immediately. |
| | Inhalation: | If this product is inhaled, remove victim to fresh air and place in a position comfortable for breathing. If necessary, use artificial respiration to support vital functions. Remove or cover gross contamination to avoid exposure to rescuers. |
| | Ingestion: | If this product is swallowed, CALL POISON CENTER or PHYSICIAN FOR MOST CURRENT INFORMATION. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Mouth should be rinsed with water if conscious. Never induce vomiting or give a diluent (e.g., water) to someone who is unconscious, having convulsions, or unable to swallow. If contaminated individual is convulsing, maintain an open airway and obtain immediate medical attention. |
| 4.2 | Most Important Symptoms/Effects: | Immediate: Inhalation exposure may cause coughing or sneezing/respiratory tract irritation or difficulty breathing. Symptoms of skin and eye contact may include redness and irritation. Ingestion may cause stomach pains, cramps, and gastritis. Delayed: Prolonged or repeated skin overexposure to this product may cause dermatitis (dry, red skin). |
| 4.3 | Indication Of Immediate Medical Attention And | None known. TARGET ORGANS: Acute: Eyes, Skin |

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| | Special Treatment Needed, If Necessary: | |
| Victims of chemical exposure must be taken for medical attention if any adverse effects occur. Rescuers should be taken for medical attention if necessary. Take a copy of label and SDS to physician or health professional with victim. | | |

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

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| 5.0 | Flammability properties | Flash Point °C: Not applicable | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Auto-ignition Temperature °C: Not evaluated | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Flammable Limits (in air by volume, %): Not evaluated | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5.1 | Suitable and Unsuitable Extinguishing Media: | <p>This material should not contribute to the intensity of a fire. Use extinguishing material suitable for ordinary combustibles. DO NOT USE WATER.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%;">Water spray</td> <td style="width: 30%;">NO</td> <td style="width: 30%;">Carbon dioxide</td> <td style="width: 10%;">YES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Foam</td> <td>NO</td> <td>Dry chemical</td> <td>YES</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Halon</td> <td>NO</td> <td>Other</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | Water spray | NO | Carbon dioxide | YES | Foam | NO | Dry chemical | YES | Halon | NO | Other | |
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| Foam | NO | Dry chemical | YES | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Halon | NO | Other | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5.2 | Specific Hazards Arising from Chemical: | <p>When involved in a fire, this material may decompose and produce irritating fumes and toxic gases. Reacts with metals to produce hydrogen gas (which is explosive). Produces highly exothermic (hot) reactions in contact with water.</p> <p><u>Explosion Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact:</u> None.</p> <p><u>Explosion Sensitivity to Static Discharge:</u> Vapours are not expected to ignite</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5.3 | Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-Fighters: | Incipient fire responders should wear eye protection. Structural firefighters must wear Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus and full protective equipment. Move containers from fire area if it can be done without risk to personnel. If possible, prevent runoff water from entering storm drains, bodies of water, or other environmentally sensitive areas. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5.4 | HAZCHEM Code | Not applicable. | | | | | | | | | | | | |

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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| 6.1 | Personal Precautions | Uncontrolled releases should be responded to only by trained personnel using pre-planned procedures. Proper protective equipment should be used. In case of a spill, clear the affected area and protect people. |
| | Protective equipment | For small releases (< 20 kg), clean up spilled powder wearing gloves and goggles,. Sweep up spilt material and transfer to containers for proper disposal. Do not let the product enter drains. |
| | Emergency procedures | Eliminate all ignition sources. Stop leak if you can do so without risk. |
| 6.2 | Environmental Precautions | Prevent release into the environment. Do not discharge into sewers or waterways. May produce adverse effects to marine organisms and their environment. |
| 6.3 | Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up | Use absorbent material for cleaning up spills. Collect spilled material for proper disposal. Decontaminate the area thoroughly. Place all spill residues in a suitable container. Dispose of in accordance with applicable Australian Federal, State, or local procedures, or appropriate local standards. |

7. HANDLING and STORAGE

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| 7.1 | Precautions for Safe Handling | <p>All employees who handle this material should be trained to handle it safely. Open containers carefully on a stable surface. Ensure all connections are tight before transfer. Empty containers may contain residual liquid; therefore, empty containers should be handled with care. Keep away from ignition sources; no smoking.</p> <p>As with all chemicals, avoid getting this product ON YOU or IN YOU. Wash thoroughly after handling this product. Do not eat or drink while handling this material. Remove contaminated clothing promptly.</p> |
| 7.2 | Conditions for Safe Storage | Keep containers tightly closed. Store individual containers out of direct sunlight. Tanks should be stored away from intense heat or direct sunlight. Avoid freezing. Store away from incompatible materials. Material should be stored in secondary containers, or in a |

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| | | diked area, as appropriate. Storage and use areas should be covered with impervious materials. Keep container tightly closed when not in use. If appropriate, post warning signs in storage and use areas. Inspect all incoming containers before storage, to ensure containers are properly labelled and not damaged. |
| | Incompatibilities | Reacts violently with water (or acids), to produce an extremely "hot" reaction. |

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS - PERSONAL PROTECTION

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| 8.1 | Appropriate Engineering Controls. | Ensure ventilation is adequate and that air concentrations of components are controlled below quoted Exposure Standards. Avoid generating and inhaling mists. Use with local exhaust ventilation or while wearing organic vapour respirator or particulate respirator meeting the requirements of AS1715 and AS1716. Keep containers closed when not in use. | | | |
| 8.2 | Personal Protective Equipment | | | | |
| | Respiratory protection: | None needed under normal conditions of use. Use only approved respirators if ventilation is inadequate to control dust. | | | |
| | Eye protection: | Use approved safety goggles or safety glasses. Splash goggles with a face shield may be needed if splash hazards exist. | | | |
| | Hand protection: | Wear chemical impervious gloves (e.g., Solvex™, Neoprene, Nitrile). | | | |
| | Body protection: | None normally needed. If needed, use body protection appropriate for task (e.g., Tyvek suit, rubber apron) to protect from splashes and sprays. Nomex coveralls are recommended for handling bulk product. | | | |
| 8.3 | Biological monitoring | Biological monitoring is required if ventilation is inadequate to maintain concentration of airborne hazardous chemicals below the following exposure standards. STEL sets the <i>short term exposure limit</i> , which is the maximum concentration of a substance to which a person can be exposed over a 15-minute period. The TWA sets a time-weighted average airborne concentration to which a person may be exposed. This product is a mixture. The following sets exposure standards only for its constituent parts. | | | |
| 8.3.1 | Exposure standards [NOHSC:1003(1995)] | TWA (ppm) | TWA (mg/m ³) | STEL (ppm) | STEL (mg/m ³) |
| | Sodium Hydroxide | - | 2 (Peak) | - | - |

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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| Appearance | This product comprises white pearls | | |
| Odour | Neutral | Odour Threshold | Not applicable |
| Melting Point °C | Not evaluated | pH | 14 |
| Initial Boiling Point °C | 1388 | Boiling Point Range °C | Not evaluated |
| Flammability | Not flammable | Evaporation Rate (n-butyl acetate = 1) | Not evaluated |
| Vapour Density (air = 1) | Not applicable | Vapour Pressure mm Hg @ 20°C: | 0 |
| Solubility (in water) | Completely soluble | Relative density (water = 1) | 2.13 |
| Viscosity | Not applicable | Oil-Water Partition Coefficient | Not evaluated |
| How to Detect this Substance (Warning Properties): | This product will have a neutral odour, but will appear as a white pearlised powder | | |

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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| 10.1 | Reactivity | Expected to be stable over a range of operating conditions. |
| 10.2 | Chemical Stability | Stable under normal use and storage. |
| 10.3 | Possibility of hazardous reactions | Hazardous polymerization will not occur. |
| 10.4 | Conditions to avoid | Avoid mixing with incompatible substances. Avoid reacting with strong acids. Avoid aluminium, tin, zinc and their alloys, as well as copper and lead. Also avoid mixing with acetic acid, allyl |

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| | | chloride, chlorine trifluoride, chloroform, methylic alcohol, chloronitrotoluene, chlorosulphonic acid, glyoxal, cyanohydrin, hydrochloric acid, hydrofluoric acid, hydroquinone, nitric acid, sulphuric acid and oleum, nitropropane, phosphorus, propiolacetone, phosphorous pentoxide, tetrachlorobenzene, tetrahydrofuran and others. |
| 10.4 | Incompatible materials | Excessive moisture will cause this product to cake. |
| 10.5 | Hazardous decomposition products | This product is not expected to produce any hazards upon decomposition. |

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Toxicology Information

Note: This product has not been evaluated for its toxicity as a whole.

| Component | Oral LD ₅₀ (mg/kg) | Dermal LD ₅₀ (mg/kg) | Inhalation LC ₅₀ (mg/m ³) | Skin Irritation | Serious eye damage |
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| Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2) | No data available | 1350 mg/kg (Rat) | No data available | YES (Corrosion) | YES |

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ALL WORK PRACTICES MUST BE AIMED AT ELIMINATING ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION.

12.1 Ecological Information

Note: This product has not been evaluated for its ecologic impact as a whole.

| Component | Toxicity to fish | Toxicity to daphnia | Bioaccumulation | Solubility | Biodegradability |
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| Sodium Hydroxide (CAS # 1310-73-2) | 45.4 mg/L (LC50, 96 hr, freshwater fish) | No data available | Not expected | Soluble | No data available |

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| 12.2 | Persistence and Degradability | This product is expected to be readily biodegradable |
| 12.3 | Bio-accumulative Potential | This product is not expected to bio-accumulate |
| 12.4 | Mobility in Soil | When spilled onto soil, this product is expected to evaporate slowly. |
| 12.5 | Other Adverse Ecological Effects | This product may be harmful to aquatic life if large volumes of it are released into an aquatic environment. |

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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| Preparing Wastes of this Product for Disposal | Waste disposal must be in accordance with appropriate Australian Federal, State, and local regulations or with local regulations. |
| Disposal of Contaminated Packaging | Cleaned containers can be recycled or disposed of as non-contaminated waste, if authorized by your local authorities. Dispose of containers as required by local regulations. |

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

CLASSIFIED AS DANGEROUS GOODS FOR TRANSPORT BY ROAD OR RAIL

Australian Domestic

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| 14.1 | UN Number | 1823 |
| 14.2 | Proper Shipping Name or Technical Name | SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLIDS |
| 14.3 | Transport Hazard Class(es) | 8 |

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| | Transport label(s) required | CORROSIVE |
| 14.4 | Packing Group | II |
| 14.5 | HAZCHEM Code | 2R |
| 14.6 | Environmental Hazards for Transport Purposes | N/A |
| 14.7 | Special Precautions for User | Corrosive solids. Highly alkaline. Ship with caution. |
| 14.8 | Additional information | N/A |

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

International

| Part | Regulatory Programme | Classification |
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| 15.1 | Montreal Protocol | Not applicable |
| 15.2 | The Stockholm Convention | Not applicable |
| 15.3 | The Rotterdam Convention | Not applicable |
| 15.4 | Basel Convention | Not applicable |

Australian Commonwealth and State Regulations

| Part | Regulatory Programme | Classification |
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| 15.5 | Poisons Schedule Number | S 6 |
| 15.6 | Prohibition/ Notification/ Licensing requirements? | Not applicable |
| 15.7 | Controlled usage under <i>Agricultural and Veterinary Code Act 1994</i> (Cth) or otherwise | Not applicable |
| 15.8 | Are the chemicals listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)? (See <i>Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act 1989</i> (Cth)) | All ingredients in the product are listed on the AICS. |

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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| 16.1 | Original Preparation | 18 November 2019 |
| 16.2 | Revision History | 0.0 18 November 2021 |
| 16.3 | Prepared by | Curran Chemicals Pty Ltd 1/1 Churchill Street Williamstown VIC 3016 |

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS

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| 16.5 | A large number of abbreviations and acronyms appear on this SDS. The following constitutes definitions of those commonly used terms. | |
| | Section 2 | GHS: Global Harmonization System Model WHS: Australia's model Workplace Health and Safety Guidelines CLP: Classification and Packaging STOT: Specific Target Organ Toxicity |
| | Section 3 | CAS #: Chemical Abstract Service index number |
| | Section 5 | Health Hazard: 0 (material that on exposure under fire conditions would offer no hazard beyond that of ordinary combustible materials); 1 (materials that on exposure under fire conditions could cause irritation or minor residual injury); 2 (materials that on intense or continued exposure under fire conditions could cause temporary incapacitation or possible residual injury); 3 (materials that can on short exposure could cause serious temporary or residual injury); 4 (materials that under very short exposure could cause death or major residual injury). Flammability Hazard Reactivity Hazard: Refer to definitions for "Hazardous Materials Identification System". Flash Point: Minimum temperature at which a liquid gives off sufficient vapours to form an ignitable mixture with air. Auto-ignition Temperature: The minimum temperature required to initiate combustion in air with no other source of ignition. LEL: The lowest percent of vapour in air, by volume, that will explode or ignite in the presence of an ignition source. UEL: The highest percent of vapour in air, by volume, that will explode or ignite in the presence of an ignition source. |
| | Section 8 | TLV - Threshold Limit Value - an airborne concentration of a substance which represents conditions under which it is generally believed that nearly all workers may be repeatedly exposed without adverse effect. The duration must be considered, including the 8-hour Time Weighted Average (TWA), the 15-minute Short Term Exposure Limit, and the instantaneous Ceiling Level (C). Skin absorption effects must also be considered IDLH - Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health - This level represents a concentration from which one can escape within 30-minutes without suffering escape-preventing or permanent injury. The DFG - MAK is the Republic of Germany's Maximum Exposure Level, similar to the U.S. PEL. NIOSH is the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, which is the research arm of the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). NIOSH issues exposure guidelines called Recommended Exposure Levels (RELs) . When no exposure guidelines are established, an entry of NE (Not Established) is made for reference. |
| | Section 11 | LD₅₀ : Lethal Dose (solids & liquids) which kills 50% of the exposed animals; LC₅₀ : Lethal Concentration (gases) which kills 50% of the exposed animals; ppm: Concentration expressed in parts of material per million parts of air or water; mg/m³ : Concentration expressed in weight of substance per volume of air; mg/kg: Quantity of material, by weight, administered to a test subject, based on their body weight in kg IARC - the International Agency for Research on Cancer; NTP - the National Toxicology Program, RTECS - the Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances, TDLo , the lowest dose to cause a symptom and TCLo the lowest concentration to cause a symptom; TD₀ , LDLo , and LD₀ , or TC , TC₀ , LCLo , and LCo , the lowest dose (or concentration) to cause lethal or toxic effects. BEI - Biological Exposure Indices, represent the levels of determinants which are most likely to be observed in specimens collected from a healthy worker who has been exposed to chemicals to the same extent as a worker with inhalation exposure to the TLV. |
| | Section 12 | LC₅₀ : The lowest concentration in water which kills 50% of the test subjects. EC₅₀ : The Effect Concentration in water at which 50% of the test species is affected. |

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