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Avoid

Safety Data Sheet

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Section: 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : AVOID

Other means of identification : Not applicable.

Recommended use : Cleaning product

Product dilution information : 1.2 % - 10.0 %

Company : ECOLAB PTY LTD
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Macquarie Park, NSW Australia 2113
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Section: 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION
GHS Classification
Product AS SOLD

Corrosive to metals : Category 1

Skin corrosion/irritation : Category 1A

Serious eye damage/eye irritation : Category 1

Product AT USE DILUTION

Skin corrosion/irritation : Category 1B

Serious eye damage/eye irritation : Category 1

GHS Label element
Product AS SOLD

Hazard pictograms :



Signal Word : Danger

Hazard Statements : May be corrosive to metals.
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary Statements : **Prevention:**
Keep only in original container. Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
Response:
IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician. IF IN

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EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing. Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

Storage:

Store locked up.

Disposal:

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

Product AT USE DILUTION

Hazard pictograms

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Signal Word

: Danger

Hazard Statements

: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary Statements

: **Prevention:**

Wash skin thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection. Do not breathe dusts or mists.

Response:

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Storage:

Store locked up.

Disposal:

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

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Other hazards

: None known.

Section: 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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Pure substance/mixture

: Mixture

Chemical Name

sodium hydroxide

CAS-No.

1310-73-2

Concentration: (%)

30 - 60

Product AT USE DILUTION

Chemical Name

sodium hydroxide

CAS-No.

1310-73-2

Concentration: (%)

1 - 5

Section: 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Product AS SOLD

In case of 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. Get medical attention immediately.

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In case of skin contact	: Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Use a mild soap if available. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention immediately.
If swallowed	: Contact the Poison's Information Centre (eg Australia 13 1126; New Zealand 0800 764 766). Rinse mouth with water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention immediately.
If inhaled	: Remove to fresh air. Treat symptomatically. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Protection of first-aiders	: If potential for exposure exists refer to Section 8 for specific personal protective equipment.
Notes to physician	: Treat symptomatically.
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed	: See Section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

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Section: 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

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Suitable extinguishing media	: Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	: None known.
Specific hazards during firefighting	: Exposure to decomposition products may be a hazard to health.
Hazardous combustion products	: Decomposition products may include the following materials: Carbon oxides nitrogen oxides (NOx) metal oxides

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Special protective equipment for firefighters : Use personal protective equipment.

Specific extinguishing methods : Collect contaminated fire extinguishing water separately. This must not be discharged into drains. Fire residues and contaminated fire extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations. In the event of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes.

Hazchem Code : 2R

Section: 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Product AS SOLD

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures : Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Avoid inhalation, ingestion and contact with skin and eyes. When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. Ensure clean-up is conducted by trained personnel only. Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.

Environmental precautions : Do not allow contact with soil, surface or ground water.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Stop leak if safe to do so. Contain spillage, and then collect with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and place in container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13). Flush away traces with water. For large spills, dike spilled material or otherwise contain material to ensure runoff does not reach a waterway.

Product AT USE DILUTION

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Section: 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Product AS SOLD

Advice on safe handling : Do not ingest. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. In case of mechanical malfunction, or if in contact with unknown dilution of product, wear full Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

Conditions for safe storage : Keep out of reach of children. Keep container tightly closed. Store in suitable labeled containers.

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Storage temperature : 0 °C to 45 °C

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Section: 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

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Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Form of exposure	Permissible concentration	Basis
sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	Peak limit	2 mg/m ³	AU OEL

Engineering measures : Effective exhaust ventilation system. Maintain air concentrations below occupational exposure standards.

Personal protective equipment

Eye protection : Safety goggles
Face-shield

Hand protection : Wear the following personal protective equipment:
Standard glove type.
Laminate film
Natural rubber
Neoprene/natural rubber blend
Nitrile
PVC
Unsupported neoprene
Gloves should be discarded and replaced if there is any indication of degradation or chemical breakthrough.

Skin protection : Personal protective equipment comprising: suitable protective gloves, safety goggles and protective clothing

Respiratory protection : Refer to AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716 for selection, use and maintenance of respiratory protective equipment as applicable.

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators.

Hygiene measures : Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling. Provide suitable facilities for quick drenching or flushing of the eyes and body in case of contact or splash hazard.

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Personal protective equipment

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Hand protection	: Wear the following personal protective equipment: Standard glove type. Laminate film Natural rubber Neoprene/natural rubber blend Nitrile PVC Unsupported neoprene Gloves should be discarded and replaced if there is any indication of degradation or chemical breakthrough.
Skin protection	: Personal protective equipment comprising: suitable protective gloves, safety goggles and protective clothing
Respiratory protection	: Refer to AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716 for selection, use and maintenance of respiratory protective equipment as applicable. When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators.

Section: 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

	Product AS SOLD	Product AT USE DILUTION
Appearance	: liquid	liquid
Colour	: clear, light brown	colourless
Odour	: slight	odourless
pH	: 13.0 - 14.0, (100 %)	11.0 - 13.0
Flash point	: Not applicable., Does not sustain combustion.	
Odour Threshold	: no data available	
Melting point/freezing point	: no data available	
Initial boiling point and boiling range	: > 100 °C	
Evaporation rate	: no data available	
Flammability (solid, gas)	: Not applicable.	
Upper explosion limit	: no data available	
Lower explosion limit	: no data available	
Vapour pressure	: no data available	
Relative vapour density	: no data available	
Relative density	: 1.33 - 1.35	
Water solubility	: soluble	
Solubility in other solvents	: no data available	
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	: no data available	
Auto-ignition temperature	: no data available	
Thermal decomposition	: no data available	

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Viscosity, kinematic	: no data available
Explosive properties	: no data available
Oxidizing properties	: The substance or mixture is not classified as oxidizing.
Molecular weight	: no data available
VOC	: no data available

Section: 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Product AS SOLD

Reactivity	: No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Chemical stability	: Stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	: No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
Conditions to avoid	: None known.
Incompatible materials	: Acids Metals
Hazardous decomposition products	: In case of fire hazardous decomposition products may be produced such as: Carbon oxides nitrogen oxides (NOx) metal oxides

Section: 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on likely routes of exposure : Inhalation, Eye contact, Skin contact

Potential Health Effects

Product AS SOLD

Eyes	: Causes serious eye damage.
Skin	: Causes severe skin burns.
Ingestion	: Causes digestive tract burns.
Inhalation	: May cause nose, throat, and lung irritation.
Chronic Exposure	: Health injuries are not known or expected under normal use.

Product AT USE DILUTION

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Experience with human exposure

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Product AS SOLD

Eye contact	: Redness, Pain, Corrosion
Skin contact	: Redness, Pain, Corrosion
Ingestion	: Corrosion, Abdominal pain
Inhalation	: Respiratory irritation, Cough

Product AT USE DILUTION

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Skin contact	: Redness, Pain, Corrosion
Ingestion	: Corrosion, Abdominal pain
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Toxicity

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Product

Acute oral toxicity	: no data available
Acute inhalation toxicity	: no data available
Acute dermal toxicity	: no data available
Skin corrosion/irritation	: no data available
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	: no data available
Respiratory or skin sensitization	: no data available
Carcinogenicity	: no data available
Reproductive effects	: no data available
Germ cell mutagenicity	: no data available
Teratogenicity	: no data available
STOT - single exposure	: no data available
STOT - repeated exposure	: no data available
Aspiration toxicity	: no data available

Section: 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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Ecotoxicity

Environmental Effects	: Harmful to aquatic life.
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Product

Toxicity to fish	: no data available
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	: no data available
Toxicity to algae	: no data available

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Components

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates : sodium hydroxide
48 h EC50: 40 mg/l

Persistence and degradability

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Poorly biodegradable

Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

Mobility in soil

no data available

Other adverse effects

no data available

Section: 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product AS SOLD

Disposal methods : The product should not be allowed to enter drains, water courses or the soil. Where possible recycling is preferred to disposal or incineration. If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations. Dispose of wastes in an approved waste disposal facility.

Disposal considerations : Dispose of as unused product. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal. Do not re-use empty containers. Dispose of in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

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Disposal methods : The product should not be allowed to enter drains, water courses or the soil. Where possible recycling is preferred to disposal or incineration. If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations. Dispose of wastes in an approved waste disposal facility.

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Section: 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Product AS SOLD

The shipper/consignor/sender is responsible to ensure that the packaging, labeling, and markings are in compliance with the selected mode of transport.

Land transport (ADG)

UN number : 1824
Description of the goods : SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Class : 8
Packing group : II
Hazchem Code : 2R

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Sea transport (IMDG/IMO)

UN number : 1824
Description of the goods : SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Class : 8
Packing group : II
Marine pollutant : No

Section: 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

National regulatory information

Standard for the Uniform : Schedule 6
Scheduling of Medicines and
Poisons

The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:

United States TSCA Inventory :

All substances listed as active on the TSCA inventory

Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL) :

All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL.

Australia. Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS) :

On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

New Zealand. Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC), as published by ERMA New Zealand :
not determined

Japan. ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory :

On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

Korea. Korean Existing Chemicals Inventory (KECI) :

On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS) :

On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances :

On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory :

On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

Section: 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Sources of key data used to compile the Safety Data Sheet
Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)
IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)
US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens
ECHA List of Publishable Substances Registered
EU HPVCs (High Production Volume Chemicals)

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