



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

<b>Product identifier</b>	<b>SODIUM CARBONATE, ANHYDROUS, GRANULAR, REAGENT (ACS)</b>		
<b>Other means of identification</b>			
<b>Product code</b>	3594		
<b>Synonym(s)</b>	SODA ASH		
<b>Recommended use</b>	professional, scientific and technical activities: other professional, scientific and technical activities		
<b>Recommended restrictions</b>	None known.		
<b>Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information</b>			
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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

<b>Physical hazards</b>	Not classified.	
<b>Health hazards</b>	Acute toxicity, inhalation	Category 4
	Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2A
<b>OSHA hazard(s)</b>	Not classified.	
<b>Label elements</b>		



<b>Signal word</b>	Warning
<b>Hazard statement</b>	Causes serious eye irritation. Harmful if inhaled.
<b>Precautionary statement</b>	
<b>Prevention</b>	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Avoid breathing dust/fume. Wash thoroughly after handling. Wear eye/face protection.
<b>Response</b>	Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists. If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
<b>Storage</b>	Not available.
<b>Disposal</b>	Not available.
<b>Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)</b>	Not classified.

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

### Substances

<b>Hazardous components</b>			
<b>Chemical name</b>	<b>Common name and synonyms</b>	<b>CAS number</b>	<b>%</b>
SODIUM CARBONATE	SODA ASH	497-19-8	100

\*Designates that a specific chemical identity and/or percentage of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

## 4. First-aid measures

### Inhalation

If dust from the material is inhaled, remove the affected person immediately to fresh air. Oxygen or artificial respiration if needed. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim inhaled the substance. Induce artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

### Skin contact

Rinse skin with water/shower. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

### Eye contact

Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

### Ingestion

Rinse mouth thoroughly. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

### Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Irritation of eyes and mucous membranes.

### Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

In case of shortness of breath, give oxygen. Keep victim warm. Keep victim under observation. Symptoms may be delayed. Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.

### General information

Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. In the case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

### Suitable extinguishing media

Water. Use extinguishing agent suitable for type of surrounding fire.

### Unsuitable extinguishing media

None known.

### Specific hazards arising from the chemical

None known.

### Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Wear suitable protective equipment.

### Fire-fighting equipment/instructions

In the event of fire, cool tanks with water spray.

### Specific methods

Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out.

## 6. Accidental release measures

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Keep unnecessary personnel away. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator if there is a risk of exposure to dust/fume at levels exceeding the exposure limits. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Keep upwind. Keep out of low areas. Ventilate closed spaces before entering them. Avoid inhalation of dust from the spilled material. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment.

### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Should not be released into the environment. This product is miscible in water. Stop leak if you can do so without risk. If sweeping of a contaminated area is necessary use a dust suppressant agent which does not react with the product. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Collect dust using a vacuum cleaner equipped with HEPA filter. Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. Following product recovery, flush area with water. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements or confined areas. Clean up in accordance with all applicable regulations. Small Dry Spills: With clean shovel place material into clean, dry container and cover loosely; move containers from spill area. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the MSDS.

### Environmental precautions

Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground. Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not contaminate water.

## 7. Handling and storage

### Precautions for safe handling

Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe dust from this material. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Guard against dust accumulation of this material. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid release to the environment. Practice good housekeeping.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Avoid dust formation. Guard against dust accumulation of this material. Keep out of the reach of children. Store in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight.

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

<b>Occupational exposure limits</b>	No exposure limits noted for ingredient(s).
<b>Biological limit values</b>	No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).
<b>Appropriate engineering controls</b>	Ventilation should be sufficient to effectively remove and prevent buildup of any dusts or fumes that may be generated during handling or thermal processing. Provide eyewash station.
<b>Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment</b>	
<b>Eye/face protection</b>	Do not get this material in contact with eyes. Wear chemical goggles. Use tight fitting goggles if dust is generated.
<b>Skin protection</b>	
<b>Hand protection</b>	Wear protective gloves.
<b>Other</b>	Normal work clothing (long sleeved shirts and long pants) is recommended.
<b>Respiratory protection</b>	No personal respiratory protective equipment normally required. Wear respirator if there is dust formation. Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator if there is a risk of exposure to dust/fume at levels exceeding the exposure limits.
<b>Thermal hazards</b>	Not available.
<b>General hygiene considerations</b>	Do not breathe dust. Avoid contact with eyes. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	Granular.
<b>Physical state</b>	Solid.
<b>Form</b>	Powder.
<b>Color</b>	White.
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless.
<b>Odor threshold</b>	Not available.
<b>pH</b>	12 (1 M solution)
<b>Melting point/freezing point</b>	1563.8 °F (851 °C)
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	Not available.
<b>Flash point</b>	Not available.
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Flammability limit - lower (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability limit - upper (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Explosive limit - lower (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Explosive limit - upper (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor density</b>	Not available.
<b>Relative density</b>	Not available.
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	soluble
<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>	Not available.
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	Not available.
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	752 °F (400 °C) Evolves carbon dioxide gas. In contact with fluorine is decomp @ ordinary temp with incandescence. When heated to decomp, emits toxic fumes of Na <sub>2</sub> O.
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not available.
<b>Other information</b>	
<b>Density</b>	2.53 g/cm <sup>3</sup> estimated
<b>Molecular formula</b>	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>
<b>Molecular weight</b>	105.99 g/mol
<b>Specific gravity</b>	2.53

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	Not available.
<b>Chemical stability</b>	Material is stable under normal conditions.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	Avoid spread of dust. Reacts violently with strong acids. This product may react with oxidizing agents. Do not mix with other chemicals. Hygroscopic, protect from moisture and moist air.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Oxidizing agents. Acids.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	Carbon oxides.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

<b>Ingestion</b>	Not available.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Harmful if inhaled.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Causes serious eye irritation.

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics** Not available.

### Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity** Harmful if inhaled.

Product	Species	Test Results
SODIUM CARBONATE (CAS 497-19-8)		
<b>Acute</b>		
<i>Inhalation</i>		
LC50	Guinea pig	0.8 mg/l, 2 Hours
	Mouse	1.2 mg/l, 2 Hours
	Rat	2.3 mg/l, 2 Hours
<i>Oral</i>		
LD50	Rat	4090 mg/kg
<i>Other</i>		
LD50	Mouse	2210 mg/kg
		116.6 mg/kg, 30 Days

\* Estimates for product may be based on additional component data not shown.

<b>Skin corrosion/irritation</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Serious eye damage/eye irritation</b>	Causes serious eye irritation. Dust in the eyes will cause irritation.
<b>Respiratory sensitization</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Skin sensitization</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Germ cell mutagenicity</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	This product is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or OSHA.
<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

## 12. Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity** Contains a substance which causes risk of hazardous effects to the environment.

Product	Species	Test Results
SODIUM CARBONATE (CAS 497-19-8)		
<b>Aquatic</b>		
Crustacea	EC50	Water flea (Ceriodaphnia dubia) 156.6 - 298.9 mg/l, 48 hours
Fish	LC50	Bluegill (Lepomis macrochirus) 300 mg/l, 96 hours

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**Persistence and degradability** None known.

**Bioaccumulative potential** Not available.

**Mobility in soil** Not available.

**Other adverse effects** Not available.

### 13. Disposal considerations

**Disposal instructions** Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site. Dilute waste in large quantities of water and flush into sewer connected to wastewater treatment system in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. Do not contaminate ponds, waterways or ditches with chemical or used container. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

**Local disposal regulations** Not available.

**Hazardous waste code** Not regulated.

**Waste from residues / unused products** Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).

**Contaminated packaging** Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal. Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

### 14. Transport information

#### DOT

Not regulated as a hazardous material by DOT.

#### IATA

Not regulated as a dangerous good.

#### IMDG

Not regulated as a dangerous good.

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code** No information available.

### 15. Regulatory information

**US federal regulations** CERCLA/SARA Hazardous Substances - Not applicable.

All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory List.

#### TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)

Not regulated.

#### US. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)

Not on regulatory list.

#### CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)

Not listed.

#### Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)

**Hazard categories**  
 Immediate Hazard - Yes  
 Delayed Hazard - No  
 Fire Hazard - No  
 Pressure Hazard - No  
 Reactivity Hazard - No

**SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance** No

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical** No

## Other federal regulations

### Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List

Not regulated.

### Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)

Not regulated.

### Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)

Not regulated.

### Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). List 2, Essential Chemicals (21 CFR 1310.02(b) and 1310.04(f)(2) and Chemical Code Number

Not listed.

### Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). List 1 & 2 Exempt Chemical Mixtures (21 CFR 1310.12(c))

Not regulated.

### DEA Exempt Chemical Mixtures Code Number

Not regulated.

### Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

Not regulated.

## US state regulations

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins.

### US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List

Not regulated.

### US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act

Not regulated.

### US. Pennsylvania RTK - Hazardous Substances

Not regulated.

### US. Rhode Island RTK

Not regulated.

### US. California Proposition 65

#### US - California Proposition 65 - Carcinogens & Reproductive Toxicity (CRT): Listed substance

Not listed.

## International Inventories

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

\*A "Yes" indicates this product complies with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

## 16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

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**Further information** Not available.

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**Revision Information** Product and Company Identification: Product Codes  
Composition / Information on Ingredients: Disclosure Overrides