

THATCHER COMPANY MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET PRODUCT: SODIUM CARBONATE

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SECTION I

PRODUCT NAME: Sodium Carbonate TRADE NAME/SYNONYM: Soda Ash

FORMULA: Na₂CO₃

CHEMICAL FAMILY: Alkali

DOT SHIPPING INFORMATION: Not DOT regulated

SECTION II - HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

This material contains no ingredients which are known by Thatcher Company to be hazardous unless listed below.

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL	CAS NUMBER	w/w %	EXPOSURE LIMITS IN AIR
Sodium Carbonate	497-19-8		PEL = 15 mg/cu m (TWA)
Particles Not Otherwise			Total dust
Regulated (PNOR) containing no			TLV = 10 mg/cu m (TWA)
asbestos and < 1% crystalline silica.			Inhalable
			PEL = 5 mg/cu m Respirable dust
			TLV = 3 mg/cu m Respirable

The specific identity of some ingredients may be withheld for confidential business purposes. However, all known potential health effects from exposure to these ingredients are being addressed.

SECTION III - PHYSICAL DATA

BOILING POINT: decomposes SPECIFIC GRAVITY ($H_2O = 1$): 2.509

VAPOR PRESSURE (mm Hg): N/A % VOLATILE, BY VOLUME: N/A

VAPOR DENSITY (air = 1): N/A **EVAPORATION RATE**: N/A

SOLUBILITY IN WATER: 33.2 max

APPEARANCE AND ODOR: White granular solid. Odorless.

SECTION IV - FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

FLASH POINT: Noncombustible

FLAMMABLE LIMITS: Lel: N/A Uel: N/A

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:

All

SPECIAL FIRE-FIGHTING PROCEDURES:

None

UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:

None



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SECTION V - REACTIVITY DATA

STABILITY: Stable

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:

Will not occur

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:

None

SECTION VI - HEALTH HAZARD DATA

NFPA HAZARDOUS RATING: Health = 2 Flammability = 0 Reactivity = 0

Carcinogenic Listing:

NTP: No ingredients listed in this section.

IARC MONOGRAPHS: No ingredients listed in this section.

OSHA 29 CFR 1910: No ingredients listed in this section.

ENTRY ROUTES & EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE:

Contact: Repeated contact may cause redness and dry, cracked skin.

Dust may cause severe irritation to eyes.

Inhalation: Dust may cause slight irritation to the nose and throat.

Ingestion: May cause burns of the mouth, throat esophagus and stomach. May cause nausea,

vomiting, and diarrhea if large quantities are ingested.

STATEMENT OF PRACTICAL TREATMENT:

Contact: Wash exposed area thoroughly with soap and water. For eyes, flush with cool water for at

least 15 minutes. Consult a physician if irritation persists.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. Treat symptomatically.

Ingestion: If conscious, give large amounts of water to dilute. **Do not** induce vomiting. Consult a

physician.

SECTION VII - SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

HANDLING AND STORAGE PRECAUTIONS:

Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Avoid breathing dust. Use with adequate ventilation. Keep container closed when not in use. Wash thoroughly after handling.

STEPS TO BE TAKEN IF MATERIAL SPILLS OR LEAKS:

Sweep us as much as possible for salvage or disposal. Wash away residue with water.



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WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD:

If material cannot be salvaged, the preferred method of disposal is in a secure chemical landfill in accordance with all local, state and federal environmental regulations. Empty containers may be incinerated or discarded as general trash.

SECTION VIII - SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:

In dusting conditions, use NIOSH/MSHA approved dust mask (respirator) if concentration exceeds suggested exposure limits.

VENTILATION:

Maintain adequate ventilation. Use local exhaust as needed to maintain airborne exposure below control limits.

EYE PROTECTION:

Chemical safety goggles.

SKIN PROTECTION:

Clothing with long sleeves. Impervious gloves should also be worn.

OTHER PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

A safety shower and eye wash station should be available in work area.

ACGIH = American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

CL = Ceiling Level

IARC = International Agency for Research on Cancer: Monographs

OSHA = Occupational Safety and Health Administration

N/A = Not Applicable

NTP = National Toxicology Program: Annual Report on Carcinogens

PEL = Permissible Exposure Level (OSHA)

TLV = Threshold Limit Value (ACGIH)

TWA = Time Weighted Average over 8 Hours

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