

SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Product identifier

Trade name	: SODIUM METABISULFITE
Chemical name	: sodium metabisulphite
EC-No.	: 231-673-0
EC Index-No.	: 016-063-00-2
CAS-No.	: 7681-57-4
UN-No. (ADR)	: 1759
Product code	: 119195xxx
Formula	: Na ₂ S ₂ O ₅

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Recommended uses and restrictions	: For laboratory use only
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1.3. Supplier's details

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1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number	: +27 11 452 1116
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SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to the United Nations GHS

Acute toxicity (oral), Category 4	H302
Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Category 1	H318
Full text of H statements : see section 16	

2.2. Label elements

Labelling according to the United Nations GHS

Hazard pictograms (GHS-ZA) :



Signal word (GHS-ZA) : Danger

Hazard statements (GHS-ZA) : H302 - Harmful if swallowed.
 H318 - Causes serious eye damage.

Precautionary statements (GHS-ZA) : P264 - Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling.
 P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
 P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
 P301+P312 - IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell.
 P305+P351+P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
 P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor.
 P330 - Rinse mouth.
 P501 - Dispose of contents/container to hazardous or special waste collection point, in accordance with local, regional, national and/or international regulation.

2.3. Other hazards

Adverse physicochemical, human health and environmental effects : Harmful if swallowed,Causes serious eye damage.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substances

Chemical name	: sodium metabisulphite
Substance identification codes: See section 1.1	

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Name	Product identifier	%	Classification according to the United Nations GHS
sodium metabisulphite (Main constituent)	(CAS-No.) 7681-57-4	≥ 97	Acute Tox. 4 (Oral), H302 Eye Dam. 1, H318

Full text of H-statements: see section 16

3.2. Mixtures

Not applicable

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

- First-aid measures general : Call a poison center or a doctor if you feel unwell.
First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
First-aid measures after skin contact : Wash skin with plenty of water.
First-aid measures after eye contact : Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Call a physician immediately.
First-aid measures after ingestion : Rinse mouth. Call a poison center or a doctor if you feel unwell.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

- Symptoms/effects after eye contact : Serious damage to eyes.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray. Dry powder. Foam.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

- Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire : Toxic fumes may be released.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

- Protection during firefighting : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. Self-contained breathing apparatus. Complete protective clothing.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

No additional information available

6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

- Emergency procedures : Ventilate spillage area. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

6.1.2. For emergency responders

- Protective equipment : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".

6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

- Methods for cleaning up : Mechanically recover the product.
Other information : Dispose of materials or solid residues at an authorized site.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

- Precautions for safe handling : Ensure good ventilation of the work station. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wear personal protective equipment.
Hygiene measures : Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

- Storage conditions : Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

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OEL TWA (mg/m ³)	5 mg/m ³
Regulatory reference	Government Notice. R: 1179

8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls : Ensure good ventilation of the work station.
Environmental exposure controls : Avoid release to the environment.

8.3. Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

Hand protection : Protective gloves
Eye protection : Safety glasses
Skin and body protection : Wear suitable protective clothing
Respiratory protection : Dust production: dust mask with filter type P1

Personal protective equipment symbol(s):



8.4. Exposure limit values for the other components

No additional information available

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state : Solid
Appearance : Crystalline powder.
Molecular mass : 190.107 g/mol
Colour : white.
Odour : No data available
Odour threshold : No data available
pH : No data available
pH solution : No data available
Relative evaporation rate (butylacetate=1) : No data available
Relative evaporation rate (ether=1) : No data available
Melting point : 170 °C Decomposition begins at 150 °C
Freezing point : Not applicable
Boiling point : No data available
Flash point : Not applicable
Auto-ignition temperature : Not applicable
Decomposition temperature : No data available
Flammability (solid, gas) : Non flammable.
Vapour pressure : No data available
Vapour pressure at 50 °C : No data available
Relative vapour density at 20 °C : No data available
Relative density : No data available
Relative density of saturated gas/air mixture : No data available
Density : 1.48 g/cm³
Relative gas density : No data available
Solubility : Water: 65.3 g/100ml (at 20°C)
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow) : No data available
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Kow) : No data available
Viscosity, kinematic : No data available
Viscosity, dynamic : No data available
Explosive properties : No data available
Oxidising properties : No data available
Explosive limits : Not applicable
Lower explosive limit (LEL) : No data available

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Upper explosive limit (UEL) : No data available

9.2. Other information

No additional information available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

The product is non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reactions known under normal conditions of use.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

None under recommended storage and handling conditions (see section 7).

10.5. Incompatible materials

No additional information available

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (oral)	: Harmful if swallowed.
Acute toxicity (dermal)	: Not classified
Acute toxicity (inhalation)	: Not classified
Skin corrosion/irritation	: Not classified
Serious eye damage/irritation	: Causes serious eye damage.
Respiratory or skin sensitisation	: Not classified
Germ cell mutagenicity	: Not classified
Carcinogenicity	: Not classified
Reproductive toxicity	: Not classified
STOT-single exposure	: Not classified
STOT-repeated exposure	: Not classified
Aspiration hazard	: Not classified

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general	: The product is not considered harmful to aquatic organisms nor to cause long-term adverse effects in the environment.
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, short-term (acute)	: Not classified
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term (chronic)	: Not classified

12.2. Persistence and degradability

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Persistence and degradability	No additional information available
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12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

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Bioaccumulative potential	No additional information available
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12.4. Mobility in soil

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Mobility in soil	No additional information available
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12.5. Other adverse effects

Ozone	: Not classified
Other adverse effects	: No additional information available

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SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Disposal methods

Waste treatment methods : Dispose of contents/container in accordance with licensed collector's sorting instructions.

SECTION 14: Transport information

In accordance with SANS / IMDG / IATA

SANS	IMDG	IATA
14.1. UN number		
1759	1759	1759
14.2. Proper Shipping Name		
CORROSIVE SOLID, N.O.S.	CORROSIVE SOLID, N.O.S.	Corrosive solid, n.o.s.
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)		
8	8	8
		 Not applicable
14.4. Packing group		
II	II	II
14.5. Environmental hazards		
Dangerous for the environment : No	Dangerous for the environment : No	Dangerous for the environment : No
No supplementary information available		

14.6. Special precautions for user

- SANS

Special provisions (SANS) : 274
Limited quantities (SANS) : 1 kg
Limited quantities (SANS) : 1 kg
Packagings, large packagings and IBCs : P002, IBC08
Packing instructions (SANS)
Packagings, large packagings and IBCs Special : B2, B4
packing instructions (SANS)
Portable tank and bulk containers instructions : T3
(SANS)
Portable tank and bulk container special : TP33
provisions (SANS)

- IMDG

Special provisions (IMDG) : 274
Limited quantities (IMDG) : 1 kg
Excepted quantities (IMDG) : E2
Packing instructions (IMDG) : P002
IBC packing instructions (IMDG) : IBC08
IBC special provisions (IMDG) : B21, B4
Tank instructions (IMDG) : T3
Tank special provisions (IMDG) : TP33
EmS-No. (Fire) : F-A - FIRE SCHEDULE Alfa - GENERAL FIRE SCHEDULE
EmS-No. (Spillage) : S-B - SPILLAGE SCHEDULE Bravo - CORROSIVE SUBSTANCES
Stowage category (IMDG) : A
Properties and observations (IMDG) : Causes burns to skin, eyes and mucous membranes.

- IATA

PCA Excepted quantities (IATA) : E2
PCA Limited quantities (IATA) : Y844
PCA limited quantity max net quantity (IATA) : 5kg
PCA packing instructions (IATA) : 859
PCA max net quantity (IATA) : 15kg
CAO packing instructions (IATA) : 863

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CAO max net quantity (IATA) : 50kg
Special provisions (IATA) : A3, A803
ERG code (IATA) : 8L

14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. Safety, health, and environmental national regulations specific for the product

Regulatory reference : SANS 10234:2008; SANS 11014:2010; SANS 10228:2012; SANS 10229:2010; SANS 10232(1,2,4), SANS 10231:2018; Occupational Health and Safety Act 85 of 1993; National Road Traffic Act 93 of 1996.

SECTION 16: Other information

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Full text of H-statements:

H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.

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The data provided in this Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is correct to the best of our knowledge. The data relates to the specific product as named and is intended as a guide to the safe handling of the product in all its facets. The data may no longer be valid if the product is used in any process or in combination with other products. This SDS is not a quality specification nor any form of guarantee.