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## 1. Identification

## Product identifier used on the label

# Sodium Metabisulfite food grade (E223)

## Recommended use of the chemical and restriction on use

Recommended use\*: inorganic reducing agents; Chemical; initial product for chemical syntheses

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# Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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# **Emergency telephone number**

CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300

BASF HOTLINE: 1-800-832-HELP (4357)

## Other means of identification

Chemical family: salt of inorganic acids

Synonyms: sodium metabisulphite Use: chemical

#### 2. Hazards Identification

## According to Regulation 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard; 29 CFR Part 1910.1200

## Classification of the product

Acute Tox. 4 (oral) Acute toxicity

Eye Dam./Irrit. 1 Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Aquatic Acute 3 Hazardous to the aquatic environment - acute

#### Label elements

Pictogram:

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Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statement:

H318 Causes serious eye damage. H302 Harmful if swallowed. H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary Statements (Prevention):

P280 Wear eye/face protection.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P264 Wash with plenty of water and soap thoroughly after handling.

Precautionary Statements (Response):

P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove

contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P301 + P330 IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth.

Precautionary Statements (Disposal):

P501 Dispose of contents/container to hazardous or special waste collection

point.

#### Hazards not otherwise classified

No specific dangers known, if the regulations/notes for storage and handling are considered. If applicable information is provided in this section on other hazards which do not result in classification but which may contribute to the overall hazards of the substance or mixture.

Labeling of special preparations (GHS):

Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.

## According to Regulation 1994 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard; 29 CFR Part 1910.1200

# **Emergency overview**

WARNING:

Corrosive to eyes.

AVOID CREATING DUST.

Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Harmful if swallowed.

Avoid inhalation of dusts.

Wash thoroughly after handling.

Wear safety glasses with side-shields.

# 3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

# According to Regulation 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard; 29 CFR Part 1910.1200

<u>CAS Number</u> <u>Content (W/W)</u> <u>Chemical name</u> 7681-57-4 >= 75.0 - <= 100.0 Sodium metabisulfite

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%

7757-83-7 >= 0.3 - < 3.0 % sodium sulphite

# According to Regulation 1994 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard; 29 CFR Part 1910.1200

CAS Number Content (W/W)

Chemical name

7681-57-4

>= 80.0 - <= 100.0

Sodium metabisulfite

%

## 4. First-Aid Measures

# Description of first aid measures

#### General advice:

Remove contaminated clothing.

#### If inhaled:

If difficulties occur after dust has been inhaled, remove to fresh air and seek medical attention. After inhalation of decomposition products: Immediately administer a corticosteroid from a controlled/metered dose inhaler.

#### If on skin:

Wash thoroughly with soap and water.

#### If in eyes:

Wash affected eyes for at least 15 minutes under running water with eyelids held open. Seek medical attention.

## If swallowed:

Rinse mouth and then drink plenty of water.

# Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms: Overexposure may cause:, vomiting, asthmatic complaints, abdominal cramps, shortness of breath, nausea, diarrhea, coughing

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

Note to physician

Treatment:

Treat according to symptoms (decontamination, vital functions), no known specific antidote.

# 5. Fire-Fighting Measures

### **Extinguishing media**

Suitable extinguishing media:

foam

## Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazards during fire-fighting:

Sulphur dioxide,

The substances/groups of substances mentioned can be released if the product is involved in a fire.

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# Advice for fire-fighters

Protective equipment for fire-fighting:

Wear a self-contained breathing apparatus.

#### Further information:

Contaminated extinguishing water must be disposed of in accordance with official regulations. In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes.

## **Impact Sensitivity:**

Remarks: Based on the chemical structure there is no shock-sensitivity.

# 6. Accidental release measures

# Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with eyes.

# **Environmental precautions**

Do not discharge into drains/surface waters/groundwater. Do not discharge into the subsoil/soil.

# Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Spills should be contained and placed in suitable containers for disposal.

# 7. Handling and Storage

# Precautions for safe handling

Use only in well-ventilated areas. Avoid dust formation.

Protection against fire and explosion:

The substance/product is non-combustible. No special precautions necessary.

# Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Segregate from acids and acid forming substances. Segregate from oxidants.

Do not store with: Sodium nitrate, sodium nitrite, sodium sulfide

Further information on storage conditions: Keep container tightly closed and dry; store in a cool place. Keep container in a well-ventilated place.

# 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

#### Personal protective equipment

#### Respiratory protection:

Wear a NIOSH-certified (or equivalent) particulate respirator.

## Hand protection:

Chemical resistant protective gloves, nitrile rubber (NBR) - 0.4 mm coating thickness, polyvinylchloride (PVC) - 0.7 mm coating thickness

### Eye protection:

Tightly fitting safety goggles (chemical goggles).

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# **Body protection:**

Body protection must be chosen depending on activity and possible exposure, e.g. apron, protecting boots, chemical-protection suit (according to EN 14605 in case of splashes or EN ISO 13982 in case of dust).

#### General safety and hygiene measures:

Hands and/or face should be washed before breaks and at the end of the shift.

# 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Form: powder, crystalline

Odour: faint odour, of sulfur dioxide Colour: white to slightly yellow

pH value: 4.0 - 4.8 (5 %(m), 20 °C)

decomposition point: 150 °C

Vapour pressure: The vapour pressure of the aqueous

solution consists of the partial pressure for water and the partial pressure for

sulphur dioxide.

Density: 2.36 g/cm3 (20 °C)

Bulk density: 1,000 - 1,200

kg/m3

Partitioning coefficient n- not applicable

octanol/water (log Pow):

Thermal decomposition: 150 °C

To avoid thermal decomposition, do not overheat.

Viscosity, dynamic: not applicable

Solubility in water: 667 g/l (25 °C) Literature data.

# 10. Stability and Reactivity

#### Reactivity

No hazardous reactions if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Corrosion to metals:

No corrosive effect on metal.

# **Chemical stability**

The product is stable if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

# Possibility of hazardous reactions

Reacts with nitrites. Reacts with nitrates. Reacts with oxidizing agents.

#### Conditions to avoid

Avoid humidity.

#### **Incompatible materials**

acids, oxidizing agents, nitrites, nitrates, sulfides

# Hazardous decomposition products

Decomposition products:

Hazardous decomposition products: Sulphur dioxide

Thermal decomposition:

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150 °C

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# 11. Toxicological information

# Primary routes of exposure

Routes of entry for solids and liquids are ingestion and inhalation, but may include eye or skin contact. Routes of entry for gases include inhalation and eye contact. Skin contact may be a route of entry for liquefied gases.

# **Acute Toxicity/Effects**

#### Acute toxicity

Assessment of acute toxicity: Of moderate toxicity after single ingestion. Virtually nontoxic by inhalation. Virtually nontoxic after a single skin contact. The product has not been fully tested. The statements have been derived in parts from products of a similar structure or composition.

#### Oral

Type of value: LD50 Species: rat (male/female)

Value: 1,540 mg/kg (OECD Guideline 401)

# **Inhalation**

Type of value: LC50 Species: rat (male/female) Value: > 5.5 mg/l (IRT) Exposure time: 4 h Tested as dust aerosol.

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

## Dermal

Type of value: LD50 Species: rat (male/female)

Value: > 2,000 mg/kg (OECD Guideline 402)

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

#### Assessment other acute effects

Assessment of STOT single:

Apart from effects causing lethality, no specific target organ toxicity was observed in experimental studies.

#### <u>Irritation / corrosion</u>

Assessment of irritating effects: Risk of serious damage to eyes. Not irritating to the skin.

# <u>Skin</u>

Species: rabbit Result: non-irritant

Method: OECD Guideline 404

## <u>Eye</u>

Species: rabbit

Result: Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Method: OECD Guideline 405

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#### Sensitization

Assessment of sensitization: Skin sensitizing effects were not observed in animal studies. A sensitizing effect on particularly sensitive individuals cannot be excluded.

Mouse Local Lymph Node Assay (LLNA)

Species: mouse Result: Non-sensitizing. Method: OECD Guideline 429

Aspiration Hazard not applicable

# **Chronic Toxicity/Effects**

# Repeated dose toxicity

Assessment of repeated dose toxicity: No substance-specific organtoxicity was observed after repeated administration to animals.

#### Genetic toxicity

Assessment of mutagenicity: No mutagenic effect was found in various tests with bacteria and mammalian cell culture. The substance was not mutagenic in studies with mammals.

## Carcinogenicity

Assessment of carcinogenicity: In long-term studies in rats in which the substance was given by feed, a carcinogenic effect was not observed.

#### Reproductive toxicity

Assessment of reproduction toxicity: The results of animal studies gave no indication of a fertility impairing effect.

### Teratogenicity

Assessment of teratogenicity: No indications of a developmental toxic / teratogenic effect were seen in animal studies.

# Symptoms of Exposure

Overexposure may cause:, vomiting, asthmatic complaints, abdominal cramps, shortness of breath, nausea, diarrhea, coughing

## 12. Ecological Information

## **Toxicity**

# Aquatic toxicity

Assessment of aquatic toxicity:

Acutely harmful for aquatic organisms. The inhibition of the degradation activity of activated sludge is not anticipated when introduced to biological treatment plants in appropriate low concentrations.

# Toxicity to fish

LC50 (96 h) 316 mg/l, Leuciscus idus (DIN 38412 Part 15, static)

The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration. The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

#### Aquatic invertebrates

EC50 (48 h) 89 mg/l, Daphnia magna (Directive 79/831/EEC, static)

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Nominal concentration.

#### Aquatic plants

EC50 (72 h) 43.8 mg/l (growth rate), algae (other, static)

Nominal concentration.

#### Chronic toxicity to fish

No observed effect concentration (34 d) > 316 mg/l, Brachydanio rerio (OECD Guideline 210, Flow through.)

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

## Chronic toxicity to aquatic invertebrates

No observed effect concentration (21 d) > 10 mg/l, Daphnia magna (OECD Guideline 202, part 2, semistatic)

Nominal concentration.

## Assessment of terrestrial toxicity

Study scientifically not justified.

# Microorganisms/Effect on activated sludge

#### Toxicity to microorganisms

OECD Guideline 209 aquatic

activated sludge of a predominantly domestic sewage/No observed effect concentration (3 h): > 1,000 mg/l

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from substances/products of a similar structure or composition.

# Persistence and degradability

# Assessment biodegradation and elimination (H2O)

Inorganic product which cannot be eliminated from water by biological purification processes.

## Assessment of stability in water

According to structural properties, hydrolysis is not expected/probable.

Study scientifically not justified.

# **Bioaccumulative potential**

# Assessment bioaccumulation potential

Accumulation in organisms is not to be expected.

#### Bioaccumulation potential

Study scientifically not justified.

## Mobility in soil

#### Assessment transport between environmental compartments

The substance will not evaporate into the atmosphere from the water surface.

Adsorption to solid soil phase is not expected.

#### Additional information

#### Sum parameter

Chemical oxygen demand (COD): (calculated) 165 mg/g

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Other ecotoxicological advice:

Higher concentrations of the substance may cause a strong chemical oxygen consumption in biological sewage-treatment plants and/or waterways.

# 13. Disposal considerations

#### Waste disposal of substance:

Dispose of in accordance with national, state and local regulations.

#### Container disposal:

Empty containers with less than 1 inch of residue may be landfilled at a licensed facility.

# 14. Transport Information

# Land transport

**USDOT** 

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

#### Sea transport

**IMDG** 

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

# Air transport

IATA/ICAO

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

# 15. Regulatory Information

# **Federal Regulations**

# Registration status:

Chemical TSCA, US released / listed

Food TSCA, US released / exempt

EPCRA 311/312 (Hazard categories): Acute;

## **State regulations**

State RTKCAS NumberChemical nameMA, NJ, PA7681-57-4Sodium metabisulfite

NFPA Hazard codes:

Health: 3 Fire: 0 Reactivity: 1 Special:

**HMIS III rating** 

Health: 3 Flammability: 1 Physical hazard:1

# Assessment of the hazard classes according to UN GHS criteria (most recent version):

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## 16. Other Information

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