

**Safety data sheet**  
according to 1907/2006/EC, Article 31

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- **Product identifier**

- **Trade name:** SODIUM CARBONATE (SODA ASH)

- **Article number:** PP0026

- **CAS Number:** 497-19-8

- **EC number:**

207-838-8

- **Index number:**

011-005-00-2

- **Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

*Industrial use: Glass manufacture, detergent manufacture, sodium chemicals and carbonate chemicals manufacture, pulp and paper, brine treatment, water hardness removal, pH adjustment in water or wastewater, flue gas desulphurization, coal treatment, ion exchange resin regeneration.*

- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**

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Deal Party, Port Elizabeth

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Jacobs, Durban

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Mobeni

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- **Further information obtainable from:** Protea Chemicals

- **Emergency telephone number:**

08610 OMNIA or

08610 66642

## 2 Hazards identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**



*Eye Irrit. 2A H319 Causes serious eye irritation.*

- **Label elements**

- **GHS label elements**

*The substance is classified and labelled according to the Globally Harmonised System (GHS).*

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· **Hazard pictograms**



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· **Signal word** Warning

· **Hazard statements**

Causes serious eye irritation.

· **Precautionary statements**

Wear eye protection / face protection.

Wash thoroughly after handling.

**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.

· **Other hazards**

· **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

· **PBT:** Not applicable.

· **vPvB:** Not applicable.

### 3 Composition/information on ingredients

· **Chemical characterisation: Substances**

· **CAS No. Description**

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### 4 First aid measures

· **Description of first aid measures**

· **After inhalation:** Supply fresh air; consult doctor in case of complaints.

· **After skin contact:** Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use.

· **After eye contact:**

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.

· **After swallowing:** If symptoms persist consult doctor.

· **Information for doctor:**

· **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.

· **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

No further relevant information available.

### 5 Firefighting measures

· **Extinguishing media**

· **Suitable extinguishing agents:**

CO<sub>2</sub>, powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

· **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** Carbon dioxide.

· **Advice for firefighters** Wear full protective clothing.

· **Protective equipment:** Use breathing apparatus with independent air supply (Isolated)

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## 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Wear protective gear. Do not inhale the material or its combustion products. Go against the wind and keep out of low areas. Evacuate personnel to safe area.
- **Environmental precautions:**  
Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water. Should not be released into the environment.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Pick up mechanically. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.
- **Reference to other sections**  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.  
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.

## 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling** Prevent formation of dust.
- **Information about fire - and explosion protection:**  
Put on appropriate personal protective equipment. Keep away from open flames, shut of the production of sources of ignition. Electricity: static electricity, electricity sparks, heat. Do not breathe vapor or mist. No smoking.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:**  
Observe the rules usually applicable when handling chemicals.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.
- **Further information about storage conditions:** Keep container tightly sealed in a dry well-ventilated place.
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

## 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical facilities:**  
Ensure eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
- **Control parameters**
- **Ingredients with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:** Not required.
- **Additional information:** The lists valid during the making were used as basis.
- **Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment:**
- **General protective and hygienic measures:**  
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
Avoid contact with the eyes.  
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.
- **Respiratory protection:**  
In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use self-contained respiratory protective device.  
Use suitable respiratory protective device in case of insufficient ventilation.
- **Protection of hands:**  
Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/the preparation/ the chemical mixture.

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The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.  
Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

- **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.

- **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

- **Eye protection:**

Safety glasses



Tightly sealed goggles

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

- **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

- **General Information**

- **Appearance:**

<b>Form:</b>	Solid
<b>Colour:</b>	White to black
<b>Odour:</b>	Odourless
<b>Odour threshold:</b>	Not determined.

- **pH-value (100 g/l) at 20 °C:** 11,5

- **Change in condition**

<b>Melting point/freezing point:</b>	854 °C
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range:</b>	Undetermined.

- **Flash point:** Not applicable.

- **Flammability (solid, gas):** Product is not flammable.

- **Ignition temperature:**

**Decomposition temperature:** Not determined.

- **Auto-ignition temperature:** Not determined.

- **Explosive properties:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.

- **Explosion limits:**

<b>Lower:</b>	Not determined.
<b>Upper:</b>	Not determined.

- **Vapour pressure:** Not applicable.

- **Density at 20 °C:** 2,533 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

<b>Bulk density at 20 °C:</b>	500-600 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Relative density</b>	Not determined.
<b>Vapour density</b>	Not applicable.
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not applicable.

- **Solubility in / Miscibility with water at 20 °C:** 212 g/l

- **Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:** Not determined.

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- **Viscosity:**
  - Dynamic:** Not applicable.
  - Kinematic:** Not applicable.
- **Other information** No further relevant information available.

### 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.
- **Conditions to avoid**  
Contract with acids will release carbon dioxide, heat. Contract with lime dust in the presence of moisture can produce corrosive sodium hydroxide.
- **Incompatible materials:** Strong acids
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** When heated to decomposition, carbon dioxide is released.

### 11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
  - **Acute toxicity**
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|--|------|------------------|
| · <b>LD/LC50 values relevant for classification:</b> |      |                  |
| Oral   | LD50 | 4090 mg/kg (rat) |
- **Primary irritant effect:**
  - **Skin corrosion/irritation** No irritant effect.
  - **Serious eye damage/irritation** Irritating effect.
  - **Respiratory or skin sensitisation** No sensitising effects known.

### 12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.
- **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **Behaviour in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**  
Water hazard class 1 (German Regulation) (Assessment by list): slightly hazardous for water  
Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.  
Rinse off of bigger amounts into drains or the aquatic environment may lead to increased pH-values. A high pH-value harms aquatic organisms. In the dilution of the use-level the pH-value is considerably reduced, so that after the use of the product the aqueous waste, emptied into drains, is only low water-dangerous.
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

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### 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation**  
Must not be disposed together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Uncleaned packaging:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

### 14 Transport information

· <b>UN-Number</b> · <b>ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>	Void
· <b>UN proper shipping name</b> · <b>ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>	Void
· <b>Transport hazard class(es)</b> · <b>ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b> · <b>Class</b> · <b>Subsidiary risk</b>	Void - -
· <b>Packing group</b> · <b>ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>	Void
· <b>Environmental hazards:</b> · <b>Marine pollutant:</b>	No
· <b>Special precautions for user</b> · <b>ERG No.</b>	Not applicable. -
· <b>Transport in bulk according to Annex II of Marpol and the IBC Code</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>UN "Model Regulation":</b>	Void

### 15 Regulatory information

- **Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**
- **GHS label elements**  
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- **Hazard pictograms**



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- **Precautionary statements**  
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If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

- **Directive 2012/18/EU**
- **Named dangerous substances - ANNEX I** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

### 16 Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

*RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)*

*ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organisation*

*ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)*

*IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods*

*IATA: International Air Transport Association*

*EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances*

*CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)*

*LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent*

*LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent*

*PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic*

*vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative*

*Eye Irrit. 2A: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 2A*

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