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# Material Safety Data Sheet

## Sodium Methoxide 0.5 N in Methanol MSDS

### Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

**Product Name:** Sodium Methoxide 0.5 N in Methanol

**Catalog Codes:** SLS3484

**CAS#:** Mixture.

**RTECS:** Not applicable.

**TSCA:** TSCA 8(b) inventory: Sodium; Methyl alcohol

**CI#:** Not applicable.

**Synonym:**

**Chemical Name:** Sodium Methoxide 0.5N in Methanol

**Chemical Formula:** Not applicable.

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### Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

**Composition:**

Name	CAS #	% by Weight
Sodium	7440-23-5	1.15
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	98.9

**Toxicological Data on Ingredients:** Sodium LD50: Not available. LC50: Not available. Methyl alcohol: ORAL (LD50): Acute: 5628 mg/kg [Rat.]. DERMAL (LD50): Acute: 15800 mg/kg [Rabbit].

### Section 3: Hazards Identification

**Potential Acute Health Effects:**

Very hazardous in case of ingestion. Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of inhalation. Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (permeator).

**Potential Chronic Health Effects:**

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Classified Development toxin [POSSIBLE] [Methyl alcohol]. Classified Reproductive system/toxin/female, Reproductive system/toxin/male [SUSPECTED] [Methyl alcohol]. The substance is toxic to the nervous system, gastrointestinal tract, eyes. The substance may be toxic to blood, kidneys, lungs, the reproductive system, liver, heart, brain, cardiovascular system, skin, central nervous system (CNS), pancreas. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage.

## Section 4: First Aid Measures

### Eye Contact:

Check for and remove any contact lenses. Immediately flush eyes with running water for at least 15 minutes, keeping eyelids open. Cold water may be used. Get medical attention.

### Skin Contact:

In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Cold water may be used. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention.

### Serious Skin Contact:

Wash with a disinfectant soap and cover the contaminated skin with an anti-bacterial cream. Seek medical attention.

### Inhalation:

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention if symptoms appear.

### Serious Inhalation:

Evacuate the victim to a safe area as soon as possible. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek medical attention.

### Ingestion:

Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. Get medical attention if symptoms appear.

**Serious Ingestion:** Not available.

## Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

**Flammability of the Product:** Flammable.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** The lowest known value is 463.89°C (867°F) (Methyl alcohol).

**Flash Points:** The lowest known value is CLOSED CUP: 12°C (53.6°F). (Methyl alcohol)

**Flammable Limits:** The greatest known range is LOWER: 6% UPPER: 36.5% (Methyl alcohol)

**Products of Combustion:** These products are carbon oxides (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>). Some metallic oxides.

### Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:

Highly flammable in presence of open flames and sparks, of heat, of combustible materials. Flammable in presence of moisture.

### Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

### Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:

Flammable liquid, soluble or dispersed in water. SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use alcohol foam, water spray or fog. Cool containing vessels with water jet in order to prevent pressure build-up, autoignition or explosion.

### Special Remarks on Fire Hazards:

Explosive in the form of vapor when exposed to heat or flame. Vapor may travel considerable distance to source of ignition and flash back. When heated to decomposition, it emits acrid smoke and irritating fumes. CAUTION: MAY BURN WITH NEAR INVISIBLE FLAME (Methyl alcohol)

**Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards:** Not available.

## Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

**Small Spill:**

Dilute with water and mop up, or absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste disposal container.

**Large Spill:**

Flammable liquid. Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Stop leak if without risk. Absorb with DRY earth, sand or other non-combustible material. Do not touch spilled material. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

## Section 7: Handling and Storage

**Precautions:**

Keep locked up.. Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not ingest. Do not breathe gas/fumes/ vapor/spray. Wear suitable protective clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Keep away from incompatibles such as oxidizing agents, reducing agents, metals, acids, alkalis.

**Storage:**

Store in a segregated and approved area. Keep in a cool and ventilated area away from combustible materials. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Avoid all possible sources of ignition (spark or flame).

## Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:**

Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are proximal to the work-station location.

**Personal Protection:**

Splash goggles. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

**Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:**

Splash goggles. Full suit. Vapor respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

**Exposure Limits:**

Methyl alcohol TWA: 200 STEL: 250 from ACGIH (TLV) [United States] [1995] TWA: 262 STEL: 328 from ACGIH (TLV) [United States] [1995] Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

## Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical state and appearance:** Liquid.

**Odor:** Alcohol-like (Strong.)

**Taste:** Not available.

**Molecular Weight:** Not applicable.

**Color:** Colorless.

**pH (1% soln/water):** Neutral.

**Boiling Point:** The lowest known value is 64.5°C (148.1°F) (Methyl alcohol).

**Melting Point:** May start to solidify at -97.8°C (-144°F) based on data for: Methyl alcohol.

**Critical Temperature:** Not available.

**Specific Gravity:** Weighted average: 0.8 (Water = 1)

**Vapor Pressure:** The highest known value is 13 kPa (@ 20°C) (Methyl alcohol).

**Vapor Density:** The highest known value is 1.11 (Air = 1) (Methyl alcohol).

**Volatility:** Not available.

**Odor Threshold:** The highest known value is 160 ppm (Methyl alcohol)

**Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.:** Not available.

**Ionicity (in Water):** Not available.

**Dispersion Properties:** See solubility in water, methanol, diethyl ether.

**Solubility:** Easily soluble in cold water, hot water, methanol, diethyl ether.

## Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

**Stability:** The product is stable.

**Instability Temperature:** Not available.

**Conditions of Instability:** Not available.

**Incompatibility with various substances:**

Reactive with oxidizing agents, reducing agents, metals, acids, alkalis. Slightly reactive to reactive with moisture.

**Corrosivity:** Non-corrosive in presence of glass.

**Special Remarks on Reactivity:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Corrosivity:** Not available.

**Polymerization:** Will not occur.

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

**Routes of Entry:** Absorbed through skin. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

**Toxicity to Animals:**

Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 5628 mg/kg [Rat.]. (Methyl alcohol). Acute dermal toxicity (LD50): 15800 mg/kg [Rabbit.]. (Methyl alcohol).

**Chronic Effects on Humans:**

DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Classified Development toxin [POSSIBLE] [Methyl alcohol]. Classified Reproductive system/toxin/female, Reproductive system/toxin/male [SUSPECTED] [Methyl alcohol]. Contains material which may cause damage to the following organs: blood, kidneys, lungs, the reproductive system, liver, heart, brain, cardiovascular system, skin, central nervous system (CNS), pancreas.

**Other Toxic Effects on Humans:**

Very hazardous in case of ingestion. Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of inhalation. Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (permeator).

**Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals:** Not available.

**Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:**

0040 Passes through the placental barrier. May be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed. (Methyl alcohol)

**Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:** Narcotic. (Methyl alcohol)

## Section 12: Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** Not available.

**BOD5 and COD:** Not available.

**Products of Biodegradation:**

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

**Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:** The product itself and its products of degradation are not toxic.

**Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation:** Not available.

### Section 13: Disposal Considerations

**Waste Disposal:**

### Section 14: Transport Information

**DOT Classification:** CLASS 3: Flammable liquid.

**Identification:** : Sodium Methylate solutions in alcohol (Methyl alcohol) UNNA: 1289 PG: II

**Special Provisions for Transport:** Not available.

### Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

**Federal and State Regulations:**

Pennsylvania RTK: Sodium; Methyl alcohol Massachusetts RTK: Sodium; Methyl alcohol TSCA 8(b) inventory: Sodium; Methyl alcohol SARA 313 toxic chemical notification and release reporting: Methyl alcohol 98.85% CERCLA: Hazardous substances.: Sodium; Methyl alcohol: 5000 lbs. (2268 kg);

**Other Regulations:** OSHA: Hazardous by definition of Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

**Other Classifications:**

**WHMIS (Canada):**

CLASS B-2: Flammable liquid with a flash point lower than 37.8°C (100°F). CLASS D-1A: Material causing immediate and serious toxic effects (VERY TOXIC). CLASS D-2A: Material causing other toxic effects (VERY TOXIC).

**DSCL (EEC):**

R11- Highly flammable. R17- Spontaneously flammable in air. R36/38- Irritating to eyes and skin. R40- Possible risks of irreversible effects. R60- May impair fertility. R63- Possible risk of harm to the unborn child. S2- Keep out of the reach of children. S36/37- Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves. S45- In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible). S46- If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label. S53- Avoid exposure - obtain special instructions before use.

**HMIS (U.S.A.):**

**Health Hazard:** 2

**Fire Hazard:** 3

**Reactivity:** 0

**Personal Protection:** h

**National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):**

**Health:** 1

**Flammability:** 3

**Reactivity:** 0

**Specific hazard:**

**Protective Equipment:**

Gloves. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Splash goggles.

**Section 16: Other Information**

**References:** Not available.

**Other Special Considerations:** Not available.

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