

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Not classified as hazardous according to the criteria of NOHSC Australia.

I IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Sodium Molybdate

Other Names: None.

Product Code: None.

UN No: None allocated

Hazchem Code: None allocated

Dangerous Goods Class: None allocated

Sub Risk Class: None allocated

Packaging Group: None allocated

Poison Schedule: Not scheduled.

Chemical Family: Inorganic salt.

Uses: Chemical intermediate with many commercial applications.

Physical Appearance & Properties

Appearance & Odour: White free flowing crystals. No odour.

Melting/softening point: 687°C

Boiling point and vapour pressure: No specific data. Expected to decompose before boiling.

Volatile materials: No specific data. Expected to be low at 100°C.

Flashpoint: Does not burn.

Specific gravity: 3.22

Solubility in water: Soluble.

Corrosiveness: Not corrosive.

Ingredients

Chemical Entity	CAS No	Proportion, %	Worksafe Exposure Limits	
			TWA, mg/m ³	STEL, mg/m ³
Sodium molybdate	7631-95-0	pure *	5	not set
Sodium molybdate	10102-40-6	pure*	5	not set

* Commercially pure.

This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary. Trace quantities of impurities are also likely.

II HEALTH HAZARD DATA

Health Effects:

No specific data is available for the product for chronic exposure symptoms. The ingredients are not listed as carcinogenic in Worksafe's document "Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment" (May 1995).

Acute Effects:

Swallowed: Data suggests that this product should present no significant problems.

Eye: This product is mildly irritating to the eyes. It is likely to cause mild discomfort such as watering and redness of the eyes. However, this should quickly disappear once exposure is over.

Skin: This product may be mildly irritating to skin. However, it is unlikely to cause any more than mild transient discomfort. It is also unlikely to cause any lasting effects.

Inhalation: Data indicates that this product may be irritating if inhaled. May lead to minor discomfort which should quickly disappear once exposure has ceased.

First Aid:

If poisoning occurs, contact a Doctor or Poisons Information Centre. Phone 13 1126 from anywhere in Australia. If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water.

Eyes: If product gets in eyes, wash material from them with running water. If they begin watering or reddening, take special care in washing thoroughly.

Skin: If product gets on skin, thoroughly wash contacted areas. No further measures should normally be required unless irritation is noticed. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.

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Inhalation: No first aid measures normally required. However, if vapours or dusts have been inhaled, and irritation has developed, remove to fresh air and observe until recovered. If irritation becomes painful or persists more than about 30 minutes, seek medical advice.

Advice to Doctor: Treat symptomatically. Note the nature of this product.

III PRECAUTIONS FOR USE

Exposure Standards:

A time weighted average (TWA) has been established for Sodium molybdate, present in significant quantities in this product. This value is 5mg/m³. The corresponding STEL level is "not set". The STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) is an exposure value that should not be exceeded for more than 15 minutes and should not be repeated for more than 4 times per day. There should be at least 60 minutes between successive exposures at the STEL. The exposure value at the TWA is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. See ingredients section on page 1 of this data sheet.

Engineering Controls:

In industrial situations, concentration values below the TWA value should be maintained. Values may be reduced by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods. If you believe air borne concentrations of mists, dusts or vapours are high, you are advised to modify the process or environment to reduce the problem.

Personal Protection:

Respiratory Protection: The use of a dust or vapour mask is suggested when this product is being used, especially if in confined or dusty spaces. For help in selecting suitable equipment, consult AS/NZS 1715.

Protective Gloves: Impermeable protective gloves should be worn when you are using this product, to prevent irritation. For help in selecting suitable equipment, consult AS 2161.

Eye Protection: Protective eyewear is suggested when using this product. It is always prudent to use protective eyewear. Consult AS1336 and AS/NZS 1337 for advice on Industrial Eye Protection.

Clothing: This product is essentially safe to use without special protective clothing. However, its use is recommended as a good industrial practice. Consult AS2919 for advice on Industrial Clothing.

Safety Boots: Wearing safety boots in industrial situations is advisory. Consult AS/NZS2210 for advice on Occupational Protective Footwear.

Always wash hands before smoking, eating or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or re-using.

IV SAFE HANDLING INFORMATION

Storage & Transport

No special storage and transport requirements. This product has no UN classification. Not a Scheduled Poison. Containers should be kept closed in order to minimise contamination. Keep from extreme heat and open flames, and make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Materials to avoid" below.

Spills & Disposals

Minor spills do not normally need any special cleanup measures. In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses. As a minimum, wear overalls, goggles and gloves. Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling or salvage. Recycle containers wherever possible. After spills, wash area preventing runoff from entering drains. If a significant quantity of material enters drains, advise emergency services. This material may be suitable for approved landfill. Dispose of only in accord with all regulations.

Fire & Explosion Hazard

There is no risk of an explosion from this product under normal circumstances if it is involved in a fire.

Flashpoint: Does not burn.

Flammability limits: Not applicable. This product does not burn.

Extinguishing Media: This product does not burn. Use extinguishing media suited to the materials that are burning.

Special Fire Fighting procedures: When fighting fires involving significant quantities of this product, wear safety boots, non-flammable overalls, gloves, hat and preferably, goggles.

Unusual Fire & Explosion Hazards: Fire decomposition products from this product are not normally hazardous.

Stability: This product is unlikely to spontaneously decompose.

Polymerisation: This product is unlikely to spontaneously polymerise.

Decomposition Products: sodium and molybdenum compounds.

Materials to avoid: No particular incompatibilities.

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V OTHER INFORMATION

This MSDS is prepared in accord with the Worksafe Australia document "National Code of Practice for the Preparation of Material Safety Data Sheets", 1994.

Contact Points:

Police and Fire Brigade:

Dial

AUSTRALIA

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If ineffective:

Dial

1100 (Exchange)

National Poisons Information Centre:

Dial

13 1126 (from anywhere in Australia)

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