

SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the supplier/undertaking

1.1. GHS product identifier

Product form	: Substance
Trade name	: Sodium Bicarbonate
IUPAC name	: sodium hydrogen carbonate
Substance type	: Mono-constituent
EC-No.	: 205-633-8
CAS-No.	: 144-55-8
Formula	: CHNaO3

1.2. Other means of identification

Other means of identification	: Baking Soda Bicarbonate of Soda Nahcolite Sodium Bicarbonate Thermokalite sodium bicarbonate
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1.3. Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use	: Indoor or outdoor use
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1.4. Supplier's details

Distributor

Rolfes Chemicals (Pty) Ltd.
Cnr Brammer and Strachan Street,
P.O. Box P.O. Box 14075, Wadeville
1422 Germiston – South Africa Gauteng
T 011 873 0157

1.5. Emergency phone number

Emergency number	: 086 111 4753
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SECTION 2: Hazard identification

2.1. GHS classification of the substance/mixture and any national or regional information

Classification according to the United Nations GHS

Not classified

Adverse physicochemical, human health and environmental effects	: To our knowledge, this product does not present any particular risk, provided it is handled in accordance with good occupational hygiene and safety practice
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2.2. GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

Labelling according to the United Nations GHS

No labelling applicable

2.3. Other hazards which do not result in classification or are not covered by the GHS

No additional information available

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SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substance

Substance type : Mono-constituent
Name : Sodium Bicarbonate
CAS-No. : 144-55-8
EC-No. : 205-633-8
IUPAC name : sodium hydrogen carbonate
Product identifiers: See section 1.1

Name	Product identifier	%	Classification according to the United Nations GHS
Sodium hydrogencarbonate	CAS-No.: 144-55-8	≥ 95	Not classified

3.2. Mixture

Not applicable

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of necessary first aid measures

First-aid measures general : If you feel unwell, seek medical advice.
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 eyes with water as a precaution.
First-aid measures after ingestion : Call a poison center or a doctor if you feel unwell.

4.2. Most important symptoms/effect, acute and delayed

Symptoms/effects after inhalation : Dust of the product, if present, may cause respiratory irritation after excessive inhalation exposure. Although no appropriate human or animal health effects data are known to exist, this material is expected to be an inhalation hazard.
Symptoms/effects after skin contact : None under normal conditions. Dust may cause irritation in skin folds or by contact in combination with tight clothing.
Symptoms/effects after eye contact : None under normal conditions. Dust from this product may cause eye irritation.
Symptoms/effects after ingestion : None under normal conditions.

4.3. Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

5.1. Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray. Dry powder. Foam.
Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use a heavy water stream.

5.2. Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Fire hazard : No fire hazard.
Explosion hazard : No direct explosion hazard.
Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire : Toxic fumes may be released.

5.3. Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Firefighting instructions : Fight fire from safe distance and protected location. Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection.
Protection during firefighting : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. Self-contained breathing apparatus. Complete protective clothing.

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SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

General measures : Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters. Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

Protective equipment : Wear recommended personal protective equipment.

Emergency procedures : Ventilate spillage area.

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".

Emergency procedures : Evacuate unnecessary personnel.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment.

6.3. Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

For containment : Using a clean shovel, put the material in a dry container and cover without compressing it.

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. Wear personal protective equipment.

Hygiene measures : Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product.

Additional hazards when processed : Not expected to present a significant hazard under anticipated conditions of normal use.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Technical measures : Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place away from heat.

Storage conditions : Keep cool. Protect from sunlight.

Packaging materials : Store always product in container of same material as original container.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

No additional information available

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

Hand protection : Protective gloves

Eye protection : Safety glasses

Skin and body protection : Wear suitable protective clothing

Respiratory protection : In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment

Personal protective equipment symbol(s)



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8.4. Exposure limit values for the other components

No additional information available

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	: Solid
Appearance	: Crystalline powder.
Colour	: white
Odour	: odourless
Odour threshold	: No data available
pH	: 8.4
pH solution	: No data available
Relative evaporation rate (butylacetate=1)	: No data available
Relative evaporation rate (ether=1)	: No data available
Melting point	: 300 °C
Freezing point	: Not applicable
Boiling point	: No data available
Flash point	: Not applicable
Auto-ignition temperature	: Not applicable
Decomposition temperature	: > 50 °C
Flammability	: 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	: No data available
Relative gas density	: No data available
Solubility	: Solubility in water (mg/l).
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	: No data available
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Kow)	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: Not applicable
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Explosive properties	: No data available
Oxidising properties	: No data available
Explosive limits	: Not applicable
Lower explosion limit	: No data available
Upper explosion limit	: No data available
Physical state	: Solid
Appearance	: Crystalline powder.

9.2. Data relevant with regard to physical hazard classes (supplemental)

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.

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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) : Not classified
Acute toxicity (dermal) : Not classified
Acute toxicity (inhalation) : Not classified

Sodium hydrogencarbonate (144-55-8)

LD50 oral rat	> 4000 mg/kg bodyweight Animal: rat, Guideline: other:
Skin corrosion/irritation	: Not classified pH: 8.4
Serious eye damage/irritation	: Not classified pH: 8.4
Respiratory or skin sensitization	: Not classified
Germ cell mutagenicity	: Not classified
Carcinogenicity	: Not classified
Reproductive toxicity	: Not classified
Reproductive toxicity	: Not classified
STOT-single exposure	: Not classified
STOT-repeated exposure	: Not classified

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NOAEL (oral, rat, 90 days)	6400 mg/kg bodyweight Animal: rat, Animal sex: male
Aspiration hazard	: Not classified

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Viscosity, kinematic	Not applicable
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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

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LC50 - Fish [1]	7100 mg/l Test organisms (species): Lepomis macrochirus
EC50 - Crustacea [1]	4100 mg/l Test organisms (species): Daphnia magna
NOEC (chronic)	> 576 mg/l Test organisms (species): Daphnia magna Duration: '21 d'
NOEC chronic fish	400 mg/l Test organisms (species): Pimephales promelas Duration: '30 d'

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12.2. Persistence and degradability

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Persistence and degradability	Not rapidly degradable
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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

SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

13.1. Disposal methods

Regional waste regulation : Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Waste treatment methods : Dispose of contents/container in accordance with licensed collector's sorting instructions.
Sewage disposal recommendations : Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Product/Packaging disposal recommendations : Comply with applicable regulations for solid waste disposal. Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Additional information : Do not re-use empty containers.

SECTION 14: Transport information

In accordance with SANS / IMDG / IATA

SANS	IMDG	IATA
14.1. UN number		
Not regulated for transport		
14.2. UN Proper Shipping Name		
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)		
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
14.4. Packing group, if applicable		
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
14.5. Environmental hazards		
Dangerous for the environment : No	Dangerous for the environment : No Marine pollutant : No	Dangerous for the environment : No
No supplementary information available		

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14.6. Special precautions for user

SANS

No data available

IMDG

No data available

IATA

No data available

14.7. Transport in bulk according to IMO instructions

Not applicable

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. National regulations

15.1.1. OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT, 1993

Prohibited Hazardous Chemical Agents

Not regulated

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

No additional information available

SECTION 16: Other information

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