

AQUA AMMONIA SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION	
Product Name:	Ammonia, Aqueous.
Chemical Name:	Ammonium Hydroxide Solution.
Synonyms:	Aqua Ammonia 13 to 26 Baume; Ammonium Hydroxide; Ammonia Water.
Chemical Family:	Alkali.
Molecular Formula:	NH4OH.
Product Use:	Chemical intermediate. plastics. detergents. Intermediate in production of fertilizers and explosives.
WHMIS Classification / Symbol:	
D-1B: Toxic (acute effects)	
E: Corrosive	



READ THE ENTIRE MSDS FOR THE COMPLETE HAZARD EVALUATION OF THIS PRODUCT.

2. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS (Not Intended As Specifications)

Ingredient	CAS#	ACGIH TLV (TWA)	% Concentration
Ammonium Hydroxide	1336-21-6		5 - 30
Decomposition product:			
Ammonia	7664-41-7	25 ppm	Trace

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:	Corrosive! May be fatal if inhaled or swallowed. Causes severe skin and eye burns. Vapours are extremely irritating to eyes and respiratory tract. See "Other Health Effects" Section. Can decompose at high temperatures forming toxic gases. Contents may develop pressure on prolonged exposure to heat.
POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS	
Inhalation	Corrosive! Product may cause severe irritation of the nose, throat and respiratory tract Repeated and/or prolonged exposures may cause productive cough, running rose, bronchopneumonia, pulmonary oedema (fluid build-up in lungs), and reduction of pulmonary function. Can cause injury to entire respiratory tract. Severe exposure may cause lung damage. See "Other Health Effects" Section.
Skin Contact:	Corrosive! Burns (chemical) can occur if not promptly removed. Prolonged, confined (especially under the finger nails, under rings or watch bands) or repeated exposure may cause skin irritation and possibly lead to (chemical) burns. Prolonged and repeated contact may lead to dermatitis. Toxic effects may be delayed.
Skin Absorption:	Not likely to be absorbed through the skin. Skin absorption is a secondary concern to the continual destruction of tissue while the product is in contact with the skin. Burns (chemical) can occur if not promptly removed.
Eye Contact	Extremely corrosive! This product causes corneal scarring and clouding. Glaucoma, cataracts and permanent blindness may occur.
Ingestion:	Corrosive! This product causes severe burning and pain in the mouth, throat and abdomen. Vomiting, diarrhea and perforation of the esophagus and stomach lining may occur.



Other Health Effects

Corrosive effects on the skin and eyes may be delayed, and damage may occur without the sensation or onset of

pain. Strict adherence to first aid measures following any exposure is essential.

May cause anosmia, bronchopneumonia, pulmonary oedema, liver damage, kidney damage, central nervous system (CNS) depression. Anosmia is a term that describes the loss of the sense of smell. Signs and symptoms of kidney damage generally progress from oliguria, to blood in the urine, to total renal failure. Liver damage is characterized by the loss of appetite, jaundice (yellowish skin colour), and occasional pain in the upper left-hand side of the abdomen. CNS depression is characterized by headache, dizziness, drowsiness, nausea, vomiting and incoordination. Severe overexposures may lead to coma and possible death due to respiratory failure. Pulmonary oedema is the build-up of fluid in the lungs that might be fatal. Symptoms of pulmonary oedema, such as shortness of breath, may not appear until several hours after exposure and are aggravated by physical exertion. (4)

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

FIRST AID PROCEDURES

General Guideline

Prompt removal of the material and obtaining medical attention are essential for all contact. Remove all contaminated clothing and immediately wash the exposed areas with copious amounts of water. Continue the flushing during transportation to the emergency department. Corrosive effects may be delayed (up to 72 hours), and damage may occur without the sensation or onset of pain. Contact local poison control centre for further guidance.

Inhalation:

Move victim to fresh air. Give artificial respiration ONLY if breathing has stopped. Give cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) if there is no breathing AND no pulse. Oxygen administration may be beneficial in this situation but should only be administered by personnel trained in its use. Obtain medical attention IMMEDIATELY.

Skin Contact

Prompt removal of the material from the skin is essential. Remove all contaminated clothing and immediately wash the exposed areas with copious amounts of water for a minimum of 60 minutes. Obtain medical attention IMMEDIATELY. See "Note to Physicians" below.

Eye Contact

Prompt removal of the material is essential. Immediately flush eyes with running water for a minimum of 60 minutes. Hold eyelids open during flushing. If irritation persists, repeat flushing. Do not transport victim until the recommended flushing period is completed unless flushing can be continued during transport.

Ingestion:

Do not attempt to give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. IMMEDIATELY contact local Poison Control Centre. If victim is alert and not convulsing, rinse mouth out and give 1 to 2 glasses of milk. Water may be used if milk is not available but it is not as effective. If spontaneous vomiting occurs, have victim lean forward with head down to avoid breathing in of vomitus, rinse mouth and administer more milk or water. IMMEDIATELY transport victim to an emergency facility. DO NOT give acidic agents (e.g., citrus juices or vinegar) to "neutralize" the alkali. This action may cause an exothermic reaction and burn the esophagus.

Note to Immediate consultation with the local Poison Control Centre should be initiated. Severe and sometimes delayed (up to 72 hours) local and systemic reactions can occur.

Treatment for corrosive chemical contact with skin after initial flushing procedures:

- 1. Immerse the exposed part immediately in ice water to relieve pain and to prevent swelling and blistering. Place cold packs, ice or wet cloths on the burned area if immersion is not possible.
- 2. Remove anything that is constrictive, such as rings, bracelets or footwear, before swelling begins.
- 3. Cover the exposed part with a clean, preferably sterile, lint-free dressing.
- 4. For severe exposure, immediately seek medical attention and monitor breathing and treat for shock.

Due to the severely irritating or corrosive nature of the material, swallowing may lead to ulceration and inflammation of the upper alimentary tract with hemorrhage and fluid loss. Also, perforation of the esophagus or stomach may occur, leading to mediastinitis or peritonitis and the resultant complications. Mucosal injury following ingestion of this corrosive material may contraindicate the induction of vomiting in the treatment of possible intoxication. Similarly, if gastric lavage is performed, intubation should be

done with great care. If oral burns are present or a corrosive ingestion is suspected by the patient's history, perform esophagoscopy as soon as possible. Scope should not be passed beyond the first burn because of the risk of perforation.

This product contains materials that may cause severe pneumonitis if aspirated. If ingestion has occurred less than 2 hours earlier, carry out careful gastric lavage; use endotracheal cuff if available, to prevent aspiration. Observe patient for respiratory difficulty from aspiration pneumonitis. Give artificial resuscitation and appropriate chemotherapy if respiration is depressed.

Medical conditions that may be aggravated by exposure to this product include neurological and cardiovascular disorders, diseases of the skin, eyes or respiratory tract, preexisting liver and kidney disorders.



5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

	Autolgnition	Flammabilit	y Limits in Air (%):	
_Flashpoint (°C)	Temperature(°C)	LEL	UEL	
Does not flash.	650 (Ammonia)	15 (Ammonia)	28 (Ammonia)	
Flammability Class (WHMIS): Hazardous Combustion Products:		Not regulated. Thermal decomposit	ion products are toxic and may include ammonia and oxides of nitro	gen.
Unusual Fire or Explosion Hazards:		to explode if heated materials increases prevents ignition. Th exposed to heat may		stible luct
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact::		Not expected to be s	ensitive to mechanical impact.	
Rate of Burning		Not available.		
Explosive Power:		Not available.		
Sensitivity to Static Discharge:		Not expected to be se	nsitive to static discharge.	
EXTINGUISHING MEDIA				
Fire Extinguishing Media:		vapours at any temp vapours when the so burning, use dry che	ntaining 5 % or less of Ammonia in water do not produce flammable erature. More concentrated solutions of Ammonia give off flammable plution is between certain temperatures. If ammonia vapour or gas is mical powder or carbon dioxide for small fires and water spray, fog of wise, use extinguishing media appropriate to the surrounding fire	e
FIRE FIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS				
Instructions to the Fire Fighters:		vapours. Isolate mat containers with floor	ool fire-exposed containers or structures. Use water spray to disperse erials that are not involved in the fire and protect personnel. Cool ing quantities of water until well after the fire is out. Spilled material itact surfaces to become slippery.	
Fire Fighting Protective Equipmen	t::		reathing apparatus and protective clothing. Protective clothing for ski d be worn to protect against highly alkaline materials.	n and

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Information in this section is for responding to spills, leaks or releases in order to prevent or minimize the adverse effects on persons, property and the environment. There may be specific reporting requirements associated with spills, leaks or releases, which change from region to region.

In all cases of leak or spill contact vendor at Emergency Number shown on the front page of this MSDS. See Section 13, "Deactivating Chemicals". Wear respirator, protective clothing and gloves. Do not use combustible materials such as sawdust as an absorbent. Eliminate all sources of ignition. Collect product for recovery or disposal. For release to land, or storm water runoff, contain discharge by constructing dikes or applying inert absorbent; for release to water, utilize damming and/or water diversion to minimize the spread of contamination. Ventilate enclosed spaces. Notify applicable government authority if release is reportable or could adversely affect the environment.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Containment and Clean-Up

Procedures:

HANDLING Handling Practices:	Use normal "good" industrial hygiene and housekeeping practices. Containers exposed to heat may be under internal pressure. These should be cooled and carefully vented before opening. A face shield and apron should be worn. Vent container frequently, and more often in warm weather, to relieve pressure. Attacks some types of rubber, plastics and coatings. Do not store or transport with food or feed.
Ventilations Requirements:	See Section 8, "Engineering Controls".
Other Precautions:	Use only with adequate ventilation and avoid breathing aerosols (vapours or mists). Avoid contact with eyes, skin or clothing. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after handling. Wash contaminated clothing thoroughly before reuse.
STORAGE Storage Temperature (°C)	See below.
Biolage remperature (0)	
Ventilation Requirements:	General exhaust is acceptable. Ventilation should be corrosion proof.
Storage Requirements:	Store in a clean, cool well ventilated area, away from organic chemicals, strong bases, strong acids, metal powders, carbides, sulfides, and any readily oxidizable material. Protect from direct sunlight. Protect against physical damage. Storage area should be equipped with corrosion-resistant floors, sumps and should have controlled drainage to a recovery tank.
Special Materials to be Used	Materials of construction for storing the product include: carbon steel, stainless steel or plastics. Reacts with For Packaging or Containers: most metals to produce hydrogen gas which could make an explosive mixture



with air. Equipment for storage, handling or transport should NOT be made from the following material, or, where applicable, its alloys: copper, aluminum, lead, nickel, tin, zinc, brass, galvanized materials, silver or gold. Solutions are corrosive to mild steel. Attacks some types of rubber, plastics and coatings. Many materials, particularly plastics, become brittle on contact with liquid ammonia. (3) Confirm suitability of any material before using.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Recommendations listed in this section indicate the type of equipment, which will provide protection against overexposure to this product. Conditions of use, adequacy of engineering or other control measures, and actual exposures will dictate the need for specific protective devices at your workplace. ENGINEERING CONTROLS:

SUBSTANCE (STEL)	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PI (TWA)	EL (STEL)	NIOSH R (TWA)	EL (STEL)
Other Personal Protective Take all precautions to avoid pers EXPOSURE GUIDELINES	Wear an impermeable apron sonal contact.	and boots. Locate	safety shower and eyewa	sh station close to cl	nemical handling area.
	Ammonia: Immediately Dang value is to ensure that the we most protective respiratory e be made to exit immediately.	orker can escape fr quipment. In the ev (4)	om a given contaminated ent of failure of respiratory	environment in the e protective equipme	event of failure of the nt, every effort should
	If while wearing a respiratory a full face piece respirator yo respirator to face seal is still may need a new respirator. (ou experience eye i good. If it is, replac	ritation, leave the area im	mediately. Check to	make sure the
Respiratory Protection:	Ammonia: Up to 250 ppm: ch respirator (SAR). Up to 300 p cartridge(s) to protect agains mask with canister to protect	opm: SAR operated t ammonia; or full-f	in a continuous-flow mod ace piece chemical cartrid	e; or powered air-pu ge(s) to protect agai	rifying respirator with nst ammonia; or gas
Skin Protection:	material. Gloves and protective clothir conditions of use. Attacks so user should confirm imperme	me types of rubber			
Eye Protection:	Safety glasses with side shies safety goggles when there is				
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)					
	For personnel entry into con include consideration of, am of SCBA, and emergency re equipped to execute a rescu	ong other things, ve scue. Use the "bud	entilation, testing of tank a	tmosphere, provisio	n and maintenance
Engineering Controls:	Local exhaust ventilation rec balance air that is removed b pits where dense vapours m	by local or general e			
LINGINEERING CONTROLS.					

(STEL)		(TWA)	(STEL)	(TWA)	(STEL)
Decomposition product:					
Ammonia	35 ppm	50 ppm	-	25 ppm	35 ppm

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES (Not intended as Specifications)

Physical State:	Liquid.
Appearance:	Clear, colourless liquid
Odour:	Strong, pungent odour.
Odour Threshold (ppm):	0.043 - 5 (30%)
Boiling Range (°C):	27 (30%)
Melting/Freezing Point (°C):	-72 (30%)
Vapour Pressure (mm Hg at 20° C):	475 (30 %)
Vapour Density (Air = 1.0):	0.618 (30 %)
Relative Density (g/cc):	0.88 - 0.99
Bulk Density	Not available



Viscosity: Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1.0): Solubility: % Volatile by Volume: pH: Coefficient of Water/Oil Distribution: Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC): Flashpoint (°C)

10.

0. Does Not Flash **CHEMICAL STABILITY** Under Normal Conditions: Stable. Under Fire Conditions: Not flammable. Will not occur Hazardous Polymerization: High temperatures, sparks, open flames and all other sources of ignition. Avoid contact with water. Conditions to Avoid: Materials to Avoid: Strong oxidizers. Lewis or mineral acids. Strong bases. Reducing agents. Alkalis. Heavy metal salts. Acid Anhydrides. Acid Chlorides. Dimethyl Sulphide. Halogens. Calcium. Reacts with most metals to produce hydrogen gas which could make an explosive mixture with air. Finely divided metals. Heavy metals. Metals. Alkali metals and their hydroxides. Copper and its alloys. Aluminum and its alloys. Lead. Nickel. Tin. Zinc and its alloys. Brass. Galvanized Materials. Silver. Gold. Solutions are corrosive to mild steel. Decomposition or Combustion Thermal decomposition products are toxic and may include ammonia and oxides of nitrogen.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

TOXICOLOGICAL DATA:

Products:

SUBSTANCE	LD50 (Oral, Rat)	LD50 (Dermal, Rabbit)	LC50 (Inhalation, Rat, 4h)
Ammonium Hydroxide	350 mg/kg (1)		3 670 ppm (3)
Carcinogenicity Data:	The ingredient(s) of this product is (are) Studies Relevant to Material".	not classed as carcinogenic by A	CGIH, IARC, OSHA or NTP. See "Other
Reproductive Data:	No adverse reproductive effects are anti-	cipated.	
Mutagenicity Data:	No adverse mutagenic effects are anticip	bated.	
Teratogenicity Data:	No adverse teratogenic effects are antici	pated.	
Respiratory / Skin Sensitization Data:	None known.		
Synergistic Materials:	None known.		
Other Studies Relevant to Material:	Ammonia: Volunteers exposed to varying irritation of the nose and throat. At concent irritation of the nose and throat. (4)	5	
		w exposure (less than 1 ppm). P	9.2 ppm Ammonia for an average of 12.2 eople with repeated exposure to Ammonia
	Studies in animals have shown that the reaction of the terms of terms of the terms of t		affected following inhalation exposure.
	No conclusions can be made from a poor Ammonia. There were pre-cancerous ch observed. (4)		group of mice exposed to 12,000 ppm small number of mice and 1 case of cancer

Not available Miscible in water. 100. 13 (10%) Not available.

Similar to water



12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity:	Harmful to aquatic life at low concentrations. Toxicity is primarily associated with pH.
	96-hour LC50 (Fathead Minnow) = 8.2 mg/L (3) 48-hour EC50 (Daphnia magna) = 0.66 mg/L (3)
Environmental Fate:	Not available. Can be dangerous if allowed to enter drinking water intakes. Do not contaminate domestic or irrigation water supplies, lakes, streams, ponds, or rivers.
	Ammonia dissipates relatively quickly in ambient air and rapidly return to the soil via combination with sulfate ions or washout by rainfall. Ammonia strongly absorbs to soil, sediment particles and colloids in water under aerobic conditions. Biodegradation of ammonia to nitrate occurs in water under aerobic conditions resulting in a biological oxygen demand (BOD). (3)
	In low concentrations in water and soil, Ammonia acts as a fertilizer to promote plant growth. Under aerobic conditions Ammonia will oxidize to nitrate and does not bioaccumulate in the environment. Sublethal concentrations in water can have an adverse physiological effects in marine species. Free Ammonia concentrations of 2.5 mg/L at pH 7.4 to 8.5 are considered harmful to marine life. In water free, NH3 is considered to be the primary toxic form while the much more prevalent NH4OH form is less toxic. (3)
13. DISPOSAL C	ONSIDERATIONS
Deactivating Chemicals:	Aqueous Ammonia can be diluted with water, neutralized as required with dilute Hydrochloric Acid (HCI) or dilute Sulphuric Acid (H2SO4), and then highly diluted with water for discharge. (3) Neutralization is expected to

be exothermic. Waste Disposal Methods: Waste Disposal Methods: This information applies to the material as manufactured. Reevaluation of the product may be required by the user at the time of disposal since the product uses, transformations, mixtures and processes may influence waste classification. Dispose of waste material at an approved (hazardous) waste treatment/disposal facility in accordance with applicable local, provincial and federal regulations. Do not dispose of waste with normal garbage, or to sewer systems.

Safe Handling of Residues:	See "Waste Disposal Methods".
Disposal of Packaging:	See Section 13, "Deactivating Chemicals". Empty containers retain product residue (liquid and/or vapour) and can
	be dangerous. Do not dispose of package until thoroughly washed out.

14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

CANADIAN TDG ACT SHIPPING DESCRIPTION:

AMMONIA SOLUTION, Class 8, UN2672, PG III.

Label(s): Corrosives. Placard: Corrosives.

ERAP Index: ----- . Exemptions: None known.

May also be shipped / labelled as : Ammonium Hydroxide, Class 8, UN2672, PG III.

Ammonia solutions with less than 10% ammonia are not TDG regulated.

US DOT CLASSIFICATION (49CFR 172.101, 172.102):

AMMONIA SOLUTION, Class 8, UN2672, PG III.

Label(s): Corrosive. Placard: Corrosive. CERCLA-RQ: 1 000 lbs / 454 kg. Exemptions: None known.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

CANADA

CEPA - NSNR: All components of this product are included on the DSL.

CEPA-NPRI: Ammonia.

Controlled Products Regulations Classification (WHMIS):

D-1B: Toxic (acute effects)

E: Corrosive

USA



Environmental Protection Act: All components of this product are included on the TSCA inventory.

OSHA HCS (29CFR 1910.1200): Toxic. Corrosive.

NFPA:	3Health,	0 Fire,	0 Reactivity (3)
HMIS:	3 Health,	0 Fire,	0 Reactivity (3)

INTERNATIONAL

Not available.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Baume Scale

% NH3	Specific Gravity at 15.6 Degrees_Celsius	Degrees Baume (3)	
5.02	0.9790	13.0	
6.74	0.9722	14.0	
8.49	0.9655	15.0	
10.28	0.9589	16.0	
11.18	0.9556	16.5	
12.10	0.9524	17.0	
13.02	0.9492	17.5	
13.96	0.9459	18.0	
14.90	0.9428	18.5	
15.84	0.9396	19.0	
17.76	0.9333	20.0	
19.68	0.9272	21.0	
20.64	0.9241	21.5	
21.60	0.9211	22.0	
23.52	0.9151	23.0	
25.48	0.9091	24.0	
27.44	0.9032	25.0	
28.42	0.9003	25.5	
29.40	0.8974	26.0	
31.36	0.8917	27.0	

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