

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Sodium methoxide solution

Product Number : 156256

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

##### OSHA Hazards

Flammable liquid, Target Organ Effect, Toxic by inhalation., Toxic by ingestion, Toxic by skin absorption, Corrosive

##### Target Organs

Eyes, Kidney, Liver, Heart, Central nervous system, ears

##### Other hazards which do not result in classification

Reacts violently with water.

##### GHS Classification

Flammable liquids (Category 2)  
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3)  
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 3)  
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 3)  
Skin corrosion (Category 1B)  
Serious eye damage (Category 1)  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 1)

##### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour.  
H301 + H311 Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin.  
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
H331 Toxic if inhaled.  
H370 Causes damage to organs.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

P260 Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.  
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.

#### HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 3  
Chronic Health Hazard: \*  
Flammability: 3  
Physical hazards: 2

#### NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 3  
Fire: 3  
Reactivity Hazard: 2  
Special hazard.: W

#### Potential Health Effects

**Inhalation** Toxic if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.  
**Skin** Toxic if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.  
**Eyes** Causes eye burns.  
**Ingestion** Toxic if swallowed.

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### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Sodium methylate

Formula : CH<sub>3</sub>NaO

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
<b>Sodium methanolate</b>			
124-41-4	204-699-5	603-040-00-2	25 %
<b>Methanol</b>			
67-56-1	200-659-6	603-001-00-X	75 %

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

#### If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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### 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

#### Conditions of flammability

Flammable in the presence of a source of ignition when the temperature is above the flash point. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flame/hot surface. No smoking.

**Suitable extinguishing media**

Dry powder

**Special protective equipment for fire-fighters**

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

**Hazardous combustion products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, Sodium oxides

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****Personal precautions**

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

**Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13). Do not flush with water.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Use explosion-proof equipment. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

**Conditions for safe storage**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Never allow product to get in contact with water during storage.

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION****Components with workplace control parameters**

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Methanol	67-56-1	TWA	200 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
Remarks	Headache Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption			
		STEL	250 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Headache Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption			
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
	Skin notation			
		STEL	250 ppm 325 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
	Skin notation			
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
	The value in mg/m <sup>3</sup> is approximate.			

		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
	Potential for dermal absorption			
		ST	250 ppm 325 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
	Potential for dermal absorption			

### Personal protective equipment

#### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Hand protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### Eye protection

Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin and body protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

#### Hygiene measures

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

Form                      liquid  
 Colour                    no data available

### Safety data

pH                            no data available  
 Melting point/freezing point    no data available  
 Boiling point              no data available  
 Flash point                no data available  
 Ignition temperature    no data available  
 Autoignition temperature    no data available  
 Lower explosion limit    no data available  
 Upper explosion limit    no data available  
 Vapour pressure          128 hPa (96 mmHg) at 25 °C (77 °F)  
 Density                    0.945 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F)  
 Water solubility          no data available  
 Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water    no data available  
 Relative vapour            no data available

density	
Odour	no data available
Odour Threshold	no data available
Evaporation rate	no data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

Reacts violently with water.

Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.

### Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks. Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight. Exposure to moisture.

### Materials to avoid

no data available

### Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, Sodium oxides

Other decomposition products - no data available

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity

#### Oral LD50

no data available

#### Inhalation LC50

no data available

#### Dermal LD50

no data available

#### Other information on acute toxicity

no data available

### Skin corrosion/irritation

no data available

### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes: no data available

### Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

### Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

### Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

### Reproductive toxicity

no data available

### Teratogenicity

no data available

### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

no data available

### Aspiration hazard

no data available

### Potential health effects

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<b>Ingestion</b>	Toxic if swallowed.
<b>Skin</b>	Toxic if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.
<b>Eyes</b>	Causes eye burns.

### Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

### Synergistic effects

no data available

### Additional Information

RTECS: Not available

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Toxicity

no data available

### Persistence and degradability

no data available

### Bioaccumulative potential

no data available

### Mobility in soil

no data available

### PBT and vPvB assessment

no data available

### Other adverse effects

no data available

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Product

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

UN number: 1289 Class: 3 (8)

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Sodium methylate solutions  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 4000 lbs  
Marine pollutant: No  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**

UN number: 1289 Class: 3 (8) Packing group: II EMS-No: F-E, S-C  
Proper shipping name: SODIUM METHYLATE SOLUTION  
Marine pollutant: No

**IATA**

UN number: 1289 Class: 3 (8) Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Sodium methylate solution

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**OSHA Hazards**

Flammable liquid, Target Organ Effect, Toxic by inhalation., Toxic by ingestion, Toxic by skin absorption, Corrosive

**SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Methanol	67-56-1	2007-07-01

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Methanol	67-56-1	2007-07-01
Sodium methanolate	124-41-4	2007-03-01

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Methanol	67-56-1	2007-07-01
Sodium methanolate	124-41-4	2007-03-01

**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Methanol	67-56-1	2007-07-01
Sodium methanolate	124-41-4	2007-03-01

**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Further information**

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