

Safety Data Sheet

Ammonium Hydroxide

1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Ammonium Hydroxide

Synonyms/Generic Names: Aqueous ammonia, Ammonia solution

SDS Number: 46.00

Product Use: For Educational Use Only

Manufacturer: Columbus Chemical Industries, Inc.

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

OSHA Hazards: Toxic by ingestion, Corrosive

Target Organs: Mucous membranes, respiratory system, skin, eyes

Other hazards which do not result in classification: Lachrymator

Signal Words: Danger

Pictograms:



GHS Classification:

Acute toxicity, Oral	Category 4
Skin corrosion	Category 1A
Serious eye damage	Category 1
Acute aquatic toxicity	Category 1

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GHS Label Elements, including precautionary statements:

Hazard Statements:

H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.

Precautionary Statements:

P273	Avoid release into the environment.			
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.			
P305+P351+P	38 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove			
	contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.			
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.			

Potential Health Effects

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

NFPA Ratings

Health	3	
Flammability	0	
Reactivity	0	
Specific hazard	Not Available	

HMIS Ratings

Health	3
Fire	0
Reactivity	0
Personal	Н

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component	Weight %	CAS#	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Ammonium Hydroxide	28-30	1336-21-6	215-647-6	NH₄OH	35.04 g/mol
Water	Balance	7732-18-5	231-791-2	H ₂ O	18.00 g/mol

4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Eyes	Rinse with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and seek medical attention immediately.		
Inhalation	Move casualty to fresh air and keep at rest. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not		
	breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention immediately.		
Skin	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated		
	clothing and wash using soap. Get medical attention immediately.		
Ingestion	Do Not Induce Vomiting! Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If		
	conscious, wash out mouth with water. Get medical attention immediately.		

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable (and unsuitable)	Product is not flammable. Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry		
extinguishing media	chemical, carbon dioxide for adjacent fire. Cool containers with water.		
Special protective equipment Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protect			
and precautions for firefighters	recautions for firefighters clothing, including eye protection and boots.		
Specific hazards arising from	Emits toxic fumes (nitrogen oxides and ammonia) under fire conditions.		

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the chemical	(See also Stability and Reactivity section). Forms explosive compounds		
	with many heavy metals such as silver, lead, zinc and their halide salts.		
	It can form shock sensitive compounds with halogens, mercury oxide,		
	and silver oxide.		

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment.
Environmental precautions	Prevent spillage from entering drains. Any release to the environment may be subject to a federal/national or local reporting requirements.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up	Cleanup personnel need personal protection from inhalation and skin/eye contact. Evacuate and ventilate the area. Neutralize spill. Absorb neutralized spill with vermiculite or other inert absorbent material, then place in a suitable container for disposal. Clean surfaces thoroughly with water to remove residual contamination. Dispose of all waste or cleanup materials in accordance with local regulations. Containers, even when empty, will retain residue and vapors.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment. Use with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after using. Keep container closed when not in use.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool, dry well ventilated area. Keep away from incompatible materials (see section 10 for incompatibilities). Drains for storage or use areas for this material should have retention basins for pH adjustment and dilution of spills.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Occupational Exposure Controls:

Component	Exposure Limits	Basis	Entity
Ammonia	25 ppm 17 mg/m ³	TLV	ACGIH
	35 ppm 24 mg/m ³	STEL	ACGIH
	50 ppm 35 mg/m ³	PEL	OSHA
	25 ppm 18 mg/m ³	REL	NIOSH
	35 ppm 27 mg/m ³	STEL	NIOSH

TWA: Time Weighted Average over 8 hours of work. TLV: Threshold Limit Value over 8 hours of work.

REL: Recommended Exposure Limit PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit during x minutes. IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

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WEEL: Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels

CEIL: Ceiling

Personal Protection

Eyes	Wear chemical safety glasses with a face shield for splash protection.
Inhalation	Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical. If exposure levels are excessive, use an approved respirator.
Skin	Wear neoprene or rubber gloves, apron and other protective clothing appropriate to the risk of exposure. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.
Other	Not Available

Other Recommendations

Provide eyewash stations, quick-drench showers and washing facilities accessible to areas of use and handling. Have supplies and equipment for neutralization and running water available.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance (physical state, color, etc.)	Clear, colorless liquid
Odor	Intense, pungent, suffocating odor of ammonia gas.
Odor threshold	5 to 50 ppm
pH	11.7 at 20°C (68°F)
Melting point/freezing point	-60°C (-76°F)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	38-100°C (100-212°F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)
Flash point	Not Flammable
Evaporation rate	Not Available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not Flammable
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limit	Not Explosive
Vapor pressure	153 hPa (115 mmHg) at 20°C (68°F)
Vapor density	1.21 (air = 1)
Relative density	0.9 g/ml at 25°C (77°F) (water = 1)
Solubility (ies)	Completely soluble in water
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not Available
Auto-ignition temperature	Not Available
Decomposition temperature	Not Available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability	Stable
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	Will not occur.
Conditions to Avoid	High temperatures, open flames, electric sparks.
Incompatible Materials	Oxidizing agents, heavy metals and their salts, halogens,
	nitromethane, strong mineral acids, dimethyl sulfate, acrolein,
	acrylic acid, chlorosulfuric acid, propiolactone, propylene oxide.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Nitric oxides and ammonia.

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11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

Skin	Not Available
Eyes	Eyes – rabbit – severe eye irritation.
Respiratory	LC50 Inhalation – rat – 3670 ppm – 1hr
	LC50 Inhalation – mouse – 2420 ppm – 1hr
Ingestion	LD50 Oral – rat – 350 mg/kg

Carcinogenicity

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

Signs & Symptoms of Exposure

Skin	Material is extremely destructive to skin. Burning, irritation.
Eyes	Material is extremely destructive to eyes. Burning, irritation.
Respiratory	Burning sensation, cough, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, and pulmonary edema. Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.
Ingestion	Material is extremely destructive to esophagus and digestive tract. Burning, irritation.

Chronic Toxicity	Not Available
Teratogenicity	Not Available
Mutagenicity	For bacteria/yeast
Embryotoxicity	Not Available
Specific Target Organ Toxicity	Not Available
Reproductive Toxicity	Not Available
Respiratory/Skin Sensitization	Not Available

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Aquatic Vertebrate	Mortality NOEC - Oncorhynchus tshawytscha - 3.5 mg/l - 3.0 d	
Aquatic Invertebrate	LC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 32 mg/l - 50 h	
Terrestrial	Not Available	

Persistence and Degradability	Not Available
Bioaccumulative Potential	Not Available
Mobility in Soil	Not Available
PBT and vPvB Assessment	Not Available
Other Adverse Effects	Very toxic to aquatic life.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Residues	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or
	local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary before

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	disposing of waste products or residues.
Product Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or	
Containers	local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary
	before disposing of waste product container.

The information offered in section 13 is for the product as shipped. Use and/or alterations to the product may significantly change the characteristics of the material and alter the waste classification and proper disposal methods.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

US DOT	UN2672. Ammonia Solution, 8, pg III
TDG	UN2672. AMMONIA SOLUTION, 8, pg III
IMDG	UN2672. AMMONIA SOLUTION, 8, pg III
Marine Pollutant	No
IATA/ICAO	UN2672. Ammonia Solution, 8, pg III

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA Inventory Status	All ingredients are listed on the TSCA inventory.
DSCL (EEC)	All ingredients are listed on the DSCL inventory
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
SARA 302	Not Listed
SARA 304	Not Listed
SARA 311	Acute Health Hazard
SARA 312	Acute Health Hazard
SARA 313	Listed: Ammonium Hydroxide
WHMIS Canada	Class E: Corrosive liquid
	Class D-1B: Material causing other toxic effects (very toxic)

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Revision	Date
Revision 1	01/28/2013
Revision 2	06/20/2013

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