

# FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC.

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## Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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### Section 1 — Chemical Product and Company Identification

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## Sodium Carbonate

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### Section 2 — Composition, Information on Ingredients

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Sodium carbonate, anhydrous

Synonym: soda ash

CAS#: 497-19-8

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### Section 3 — Hazards Identification

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White, odorless crystals or powder.

Slightly toxic by ingestion. Irritating to body tissues. Avoid all body tissue contact.

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Health-1

Flammability-0

Reactivity-0

Exposure-1

Storage-1

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

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### Section 4 — First Aid Measures

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Call a physician, seek medical attention for further treatment, observation and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye: Immediately flush with fresh water for 15 minutes.

External: Wash continuously with fresh water for 15 minutes.

Internal: Give no more than 1-2 cups of water for dilution. Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control at once.

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### Section 5 — Fire Fighting Measures

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Non flammable solid.

When heated to decomposition, emits toxic fumes of Na<sub>2</sub>O.

**Fire Fighting Instructions:** Use triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive mode.

#### NFPA CODE

None established

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### Section 6 — Accidental Release Measures

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Restrict unprotected personnel from area. Sweep up, place in sealed bag or container and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

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### Section 7 — Handling and Storage

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Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #4. Store with hydroxides, oxides, silicates and carbonates.

Store in a cool dry place. Deliquescent, store in Flinn Chem-Saf Bag. Keep container tightly closed.

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### Section 8 — Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

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Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves and chemical-resistant apron.

Use exhaust ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

### Section 9 — Physical and Chemical Properties

White, odorless crystals or powder.  
Soluble in water and glycerol; not in alcohol. Hygroscopic.  
Formula: Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>  
Formula Weight: 105.99

Specific Gravity: 2.53  
Melting Point: 851 C

### Section 10 — Stability and Reactivity

Avoid contact with acids, aluminum. Reacts vigorously with fluorine.  
Shelf Life: Hygroscopic, keep tightly closed.

### Section 11 — Toxicological Information

Acute effects: Irritant  
Chronic effects: N.A.  
Target organs: N.A.

ORL-RAT LD50: 4090 mg/kg  
IHL-RAT LC50: 2300 mg/m<sup>3</sup>/2H  
SKN-RBT LD50: N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

### Section 12 — Ecological Information

Data not yet available.

### Section 13 — Disposal Considerations

Please consult with state and local regulations.  
Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #26a is one option.

### Section 14 — Transport Information

Shipping Name: Not regulated  
Hazard Class: N/A  
UN Number: N/A

N/A = Not applicable

### Section 15 — Regulatory Information

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (207-838-8).

### Section 16 — Other Information

Consult your copy of the Flinn Scientific Catalog/Reference Manual for additional information about laboratory chemicals. This Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) is for guidance and is based upon information and tests believed to be reliable. Flinn Scientific Inc. makes no guarantee of the accuracy or completeness of the data and shall not be liable for any damages relating thereto. The data is offered solely for your consideration, investigation, and verification. Flinn Scientific Inc. assumes no legal responsibility for use or reliance upon this data.

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