

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Sodium nitrite  
  
Product Number : S2252  
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich  
Index-No. : 007-010-00-4  
  
CAS-No. : 7632-00-0

#### 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

#### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich Canada Co.  
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OAKVILLE ON L6H 6J8  
CANADA  
  
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#### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone # : +1-703-527-3887 (CHEMTREC)

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

##### GHS Classification in accordance with Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) (SOR/2015-17)

Oxidizing solids (Category 3), H272  
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3), H301  
Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319  
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H400

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

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

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H272 May intensify fire; oxidizer.  
H301 Toxic if swallowed.  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.  
P220 Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P310 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. Rinse mouth.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P391	Collect spillage.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Formula	: $\text{NNaO}_2$
Molecular weight	: 69.00 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 7632-00-0
EC-No.	: 231-555-9
Index-No.	: 007-010-00-4

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration*
<b>Sodium nitrite</b>		
	Ox. Sol. 3; Acute Tox. 3; Eye Irrit. 2A; Aquatic Acute 1; H272, H301, H319, H400	90 - 100 %
* Weight percent		

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of 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

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.

#### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

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## 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

No data available

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

### 5.4 Further information

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

For personal protection see section 8.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel. 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). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

For precautions see section 2.2.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

hygroscopic

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 Control parameters

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Appropriate engineering controls

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

#### Personal protective equipment

##### Eye/face protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

### **Skin 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.

#### Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

#### Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

### **Body Protection**

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

### **Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) 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).

### **Control of environmental exposure**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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## **9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

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|---|---|
| a) Appearance                                   | Form: solid                                   |
| b) Odour  | odourless                                     |
| c) Odour Threshold                              | No data available                             |
| d) pH   | 9   |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | Melting point/range: 271 °C (520 °F) - lit.   |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | 320 °C (608 °F)                               |
| g) Flash point                                  | No data available                             |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | No data available                             |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | No data available                             |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | No data available                             |
| k) Vapour pressure                              | < 0.0001 hPa (< 0.0001 mmHg) at 25 °C (77 °F) |
| l) Vapour density                               | No data available                             |
| m) Relative density                             | 2.168 g/cm <sup>3</sup>                       |

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|---|--|
| n) Water solubility                       | 820 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)   |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water | log Pow: -3.699 at 25 °C (77 °F)   |
| p) Auto-ignition temperature              | No data available  |
| q) Decomposition temperature              | No data available  |
| r) Viscosity                              | No data available  |
| s) Explosive properties                   | No data available  |
| t) Oxidizing properties                   | The substance or mixture is classified as oxidizing with the category 3. |

## 9.2 Other safety information

No data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Exposure to moisture

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Acids, Powdered metals, Ammonia, Cyanides, Amines, Activated carbon

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - No data available

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), Sodium oxides

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - 157.9 mg/kg

LD50 Oral - Mouse - 175 mg/kg

Remarks: Vascular:BP lowering not characterized in autonomic section. Vascular:Regional or general arteriolar or venous dilation.

Inhalation: No data available

Dermal: No data available

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation - 48 h

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Eye irritation - 24 h

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

No data available

**Carcinogenicity**

IARC: 2A - Group 2A: Probably carcinogenic to humans (Sodium nitrite)

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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.

**Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: RA1225000

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

Headache, Nausea, Incoordination., Absorption into the body leads to the formation of methemoglobin which in sufficient concentration causes cyanosis. Onset may be delayed 2 to 4 hours or longer.

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Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish flow-through test LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 0.94 - 1.92 mg/l - 96.0 h

mortality NOEC - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 0.54 mg/l - 96.0 h

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 12.5 mg/l - 48 h

Toxicity to algae NOEC - Desmodesmus subspicatus (green algae) - 100 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201)

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

No data available

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

**12.6 Other adverse effects**

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal. Very toxic to aquatic life.

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### 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. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### TDG (Canada)

UN number: 1500      Class: 5.1 (6.1)      Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: SODIUM NITRITE

yes

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

#### IMDG

UN number: 1500      Class: 5.1 (6.1)      Packing group: III      EMS-No: F-A, S-Q

Proper shipping name: SODIUM NITRITE

Marine pollutant:yes

#### IATA

UN number: 1500      Class: 5.1 (6.1)      Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Sodium nitrite

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and the SDS contains all the information required by the HPR.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

#### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Aquatic Acute	Acute aquatic toxicity
Eye Irrit.	Eye irritation
H272	May intensify fire; oxidizer.
H301	Toxic if swallowed.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.
Ox. Sol.	Oxidizing solids

#### Further information

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