

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

North American Version

## SODIUM BICARBONATE

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1. Identification of the substance or preparation

Product name : SODIUM BICARBONATE  
Product grade(s) : USP Grade 1  
USP Grade 1 TFF  
Animal Feed  
Technical Grade 1  
Technical Grade 5 Coarse  
Industrial Grade  
USP Grade 2  
USP Grade 5  
BICAR® Z / TEC  
Chemical Name : Sodium hydrogencarbonate  
Synonyms : Bicarb, Sodium bicarb  
Molecular formula : NaHCO<sub>3</sub>  
Molecular Weight : 84.02 g/mol

#### 1.2. Use of the Substance/Preparation

Recommended use : - Food/feedstuff additives  
- Detergent  
- Chemical industry  
- Glass industry  
- Foaming agents  
- Water treatment  
- Environmental protection  
- Purifying flue gas  
- Animal feed

#### 1.3. Company/Undertaking Identification

Address : SOLVAY CHEMICALS, INC.  
3333 RICHMOND AVENUE  
HOUSTON TX 77098-3099  
United States

#### 1.4. Emergency and contact telephone numbers

Emergency telephone : 1 (800) 424-9300 CHEMTREC® (USA & Canada)  
01-800-00-214-00 (MEX. REPUBLIC)

Contact telephone number : US: +1-800-765-8292 (Product information)  
(product information): US: +1-713-525-6500 (Product information)

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

## 2.1. Emergency Overview:

NFPA : H= 0 F= 0 I= 0 S= None  
HMIS : H= 0 F= 0 R= 0 PPE = Supplied by User; dependent on local conditions

### General Information

Appearance : crystalline, powder  
Colour : white  
Odour : odourless

## 2.2. Potential Health Effects:

### Inhalation

- Mechanical irritation from the particulates generated by the product.

### Eye contact

- Mechanical irritation from the particulates generated by the product.

### Skin contact

- Mechanical irritation from the particulates generated by the product.

### Ingestion

- Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea.

### Other toxicity effects

- See section 11: Toxicological Information

## 2.3. Environmental Effects:

- See section 12: Ecological Information

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### Sodium bicarbonate

CAS-No. : 144-55-8  
Concentration :  $\geq 99.0\%$

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Inhalation

- Remove the subject from dusty environment and let him blow his nose.

### 4.2. Eye contact

- Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water, also under the eyelids.
- If eye irritation persists, consult a specialist.

### 4.3. Skin contact

- Wash off with plenty of water.

### 4.4. Ingestion

- If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.

#### If victim is conscious:

- If swallowed, rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious).

#### If victim is unconscious but breathing:

- not applicable

## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1. Suitable extinguishing media

- Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

### 5.2. Extinguishing media which shall not be used for safety reasons

- None.

### 5.3. Special exposure hazards in a fire

- Not combustible.

### 5.4. Hazardous decomposition products

- none

### 5.5. Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

- No special precautions required.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### 6.1. Personal precautions

- Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

- Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.
- Prevent any mixture with an acid into the sewer/drain (gas formations).

### 6.3. Methods for cleaning up

- Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal.
- Avoid dust formation.
- Keep in properly labelled containers.
- Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.
- Treat recovered material as described in the section "Disposal considerations".

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Handling

- Keep away from Incompatible products.

### 7.2. Storage

- Keep in a dry place.
- Store in original container.
- Keep container closed.
- Keep away from Incompatible products.

### 7.3. Packaging material

- Paper + PE.
- Polyethylene
- Polypropylene
- Woven plastic material + PE.

### 7.4. Other information

- Avoid dust formation.
- Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1. Exposure Limit Values

Sodium bicarbonate

- SAEL (Solvay Acceptable Exposure Limit) 2007  
TWA = 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

- US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values  
Remarks: none established

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**Particles not otherwise specified (PNOS)**

- US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) 02 2006  
Permissible exposure limit = 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Remarks: respirable dust fraction, All inert or nuisance dusts, whether mineral, inorganic, or organic, not listed specifically by substance name are covered by the Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated (PNOR) limit which is the same as the inert or nuisance dust limit of Table Z-3.

- US. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000) 02 2006  
Permissible exposure limit = 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Remarks: Total dust, All inert or nuisance dusts, whether mineral, inorganic, or organic, not listed specifically by substance name are covered by the Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated (PNOR) limit which is the same as the inert or nuisance dust limit of Table Z-3.

- US. OSHA Table Z-3 (29 CFR 1910.1000) 2000  
time weighted average = 15 millions of particles per cubic foot of air  
Remarks: respirable dust fraction

- US. OSHA Table Z-3 (29 CFR 1910.1000) 2000  
time weighted average = 50 millions of particles per cubic foot of air  
Remarks: Total dust

- US. OSHA Table Z-3 (29 CFR 1910.1000) 2000  
time weighted average = 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
Remarks: respirable dust fraction

- US. OSHA Table Z-3 (29 CFR 1910.1000) 2000  
time weighted average = 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
Remarks: Total dust

- US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) 1989  
time weighted average = 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
Remarks: respirable dust fraction

- US. OSHA Table Z-1-A (29 CFR 1910.1000) 1989  
time weighted average = 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
Remarks: Total dust

- US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values 2008  
time weighted average = 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
Remarks: Inhalable particles.

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SAEL = Solvay Acceptable Exposure Limit, Time Weighted Average for 8 hour workdays. No Specific TLV STEL (Short Term Exposure Level) has been set. Excursions in exposure level may exceed 3 times the TLV TWA for no more than a total of 30 minutes during a workday and under no circumstances should they exceed 5 times the TLV TWA.

**8.2. Engineering controls**

- Ensure adequate ventilation.
- Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.
- Refer to protective measures listed in sections 7 and 8.
- Apply technical measures to comply with the occupational exposure limits.

### 8.3. Personal protective equipment

#### 8.3.1. Respiratory protection

- Use only respiratory protection that conforms to international/ national standards.
- Use NIOSH approved respiratory protection.

#### 8.3.2. Hand protection

- Wear suitable gloves.

#### 8.3.3. Eye protection

- Dust proof goggles, if dusty.

#### 8.3.4. Skin and body protection

- None.

#### 8.3.5. Hygiene measures

- When using do not eat, drink or smoke.
- Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.
- Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1. General Information

<b>Appearance</b>	: crystalline, powder
<b>Colour</b>	: white
<b>Odour</b>	: odourless

### 9.2. Important health safety and environmental information

<b>pH</b>	: 8.6 <i>Concentration: 52 g/l</i>
<b>Boiling point/boiling range</b>	: <i>Remarks: not applicable, Thermal decomposition</i>
<b>Flash point</b>	: <i>Remarks: not applicable</i>
<b>Flammability</b>	: <u>Lower explosion limit:</u> <i>Remarks: The product is not flammable.</i>
<b>Explosive properties</b>	: <u>Explosion danger:</u> <i>Remarks: Not explosive</i>
<b>Oxidizing properties</b>	: <i>Remarks: Non oxidizer</i>
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	: <i>Remarks: not applicable</i>
<b>Relative density / Density</b>	: 2.22
<b>Bulk density</b>	: from 0.5 - 1.2 kg/dm <sup>3</sup> : from 31 - 75 lb/ft <sup>3</sup>
<b>Solubility</b>	: Water 96 g/l <i>Temperature: 20 °C ( 68 °F )</i> : Other : slightly soluble : Alcohol
<b>Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water</b>	: <i>Remarks: not applicable</i>

**Viscosity** : 1.2 mPa.s  
**Vapour density** : *Remarks: not applicable*

### 9.3. Other data

**Melting point/range** : *Remarks: not applicable, Decomposition*  
**Auto-flammability** : *Remarks: The product is not flammable.*  
**Decomposition temperature** : > 60 °C ( 140 °F )

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1. Stability

- Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.2. Conditions to avoid

- none
- Keep at temperature not exceeding: 60 °C ( 140 °F )

### 10.3. Materials to avoid

- Acids

### 10.4. Hazardous decomposition products

- none

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Toxicological data

#### **Acute oral toxicity**

- LD50, rat, > 4,000 mg/kg

#### **Acute inhalation toxicity**

- LC50, rat, > 4.74 mg/l

#### **Acute dermal irritation/corrosion**

- LD50, *Remarks: no data available*

#### **Skin irritation**

- rabbit, Mild skin irritation

#### **Eye irritation**

- rabbit, Mild eye irritation

#### **Sensitisation**

- no data available

#### **Chronic toxicity**

- no observed effect

#### **Genetic toxicity in vitro**

- Genotoxicity in vitro, Tests on bacterial or mammalian cell cultures did not show mutagenic effects.

#### **Teratogenicity**

- Oral route (gavage), 10 days, Various species, 330 mg/kg, Did not show teratogenic effects in animal experiments.

#### **Remarks**

- Health injuries are not known or expected under normal use.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1. Ecotoxicity effects

#### *Acute toxicity*

- Fishes, *Oncorhynchus mykiss*, LC50, 96 h, 7,700 mg/l
- Fishes, *Oncorhynchus mykiss*, NOEC, 96 h, 2,300 mg/l
- Fishes, *Lepomis macrochirus*, LC50, 96 h, 7,100 mg/l
- Fishes, *Lepomis macrochirus*, NOEC, 96 h, 5,200 mg/l
- Crustaceans, *Daphnia magna*, EC50, 48 h, 4,100 mg/l
- Crustaceans, *Daphnia magna*, NOEC, 48 h, 3,100 mg/l

### 12.2. Mobility

- Water, Soil/sediments  
Remarks: Solubility
- Water, Soil/sediments  
Remarks: Mobility

### 12.3. Persistence and degradability

#### *Abiotic degradation*

- Water, hydrolyses  
Result: acid/base equilibrium as a function of pH  
Degradation products: carbonic acid/bicarbonate/carbonate

#### *Biodegradation*

- Remarks: The methods for determining the biological degradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

### 12.4. Bioaccumulative potential

- Result: not applicable

### 12.5. Other adverse effects

- no data available

### 12.6. Remarks

- Ecological injuries are not known or expected under normal use.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste from residues / unused products

- Contact waste disposal services.
- If recycling is not practicable, dispose of in compliance with local regulations.
- or
- Dilute with plenty of water.
- Neutralise with acid.
- In accordance with local and national regulations.

### 13.2. Packaging treatment

- To avoid treatments, as far as possible, use dedicated containers.
- or
- Clean container with water.
- Dispose of rinse water in accordance with local and national regulations.
- The empty and clean containers are to be reused in conformity with regulations.
- or
- Must be incinerated in a suitable incineration plant holding a permit delivered by the competent authorities.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

- Sea (IMO/IMDG)
- not regulated
- Air (ICAO/IATA)
- not regulated
- U.S. Dept of Transportation
- not regulated
- It is recommended that ERG Guide number 111 be used for all non-regulated material.
- Canadian Transportation of Dangerous Goods
- not regulated

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 15.1. Inventory Information

<b>Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)</b>	: -	In compliance with inventory.
<b>Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL)</b>	: -	In compliance with inventory.
<b>Korean Existing Chemicals List (ECL)</b>	: -	In compliance with inventory.
<b>EU list of existing chemical substances (EINECS)</b>	: -	In compliance with inventory.
<b>Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances (MITI List) (ENCS)</b>	: -	In compliance with inventory.
<b>Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances (China) (IECS)</b>	: -	In compliance with inventory.
<b>Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)</b>	: -	In compliance with inventory.
<b>Toxic Substance Control Act list (TSCA)</b>	: -	In compliance with inventory.
<b>New Zealand Inventory (in preparation) (NZ)</b>	: -	All components on composite list considered for transfer.

### 15.2. Other regulations

***US. EPA Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA) SARA Title III Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance (40 CFR 355, Appendix A)***

- not regulated.

***US. EPA Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA) SARA Title III Section 313 Toxic Chemicals (40 CFR 372.65) - Supplier Notification Required***

- not regulated.

***US. EPA CERCLA Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 302)***

- not regulated.



**US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act (New Jersey Statute Annotated Section 34:5A-5)**

- not regulated.

**US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law (34 Pa. Code Chap. 301-323)**

- not regulated.

**US. California Safe Drinking Water & Toxic Enforcement Act (Proposition 65)**

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

**15.3. Classification and labelling**

**Canada. Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA). WHMIS Ingredient Disclosure List (Can. Gaz., Part II, Vol. 122, No. 2)**

- Not listed

Remarks: This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all the information required by the Controlled Products Regulations.

**EC Label**

- Not classified according to Directive 67/548/EEC.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Ratings :**

**NFPA (National Fire Protection Association)**

Health = 0 Flammability = 0 Instability = 0 Special =None

**HMIS (Hazardous Material Information System)**

Health = 0 Fire = 0 Reactivity = 0 PPE : Supplied by User; dependent on local conditions

**Further information**

- System maintenance
- Distribute new edition to clients

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