

# Safety Data Sheet pH Control®



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## 1. Identification

### 1.1. Product identifier

**Product Identity** pH Control®  
**Alternate Names** pH Control®

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

**Intended use** See Technical Data Sheet.  
**Application Method** See Technical Data Sheet.

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

**Company Name** Pharmacal Research Labs., Inc.  
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Waterbury, CT 06705, USA

### 24 hour Emergency Telephone No.:

**CHEMTREC (USA)** (800) 424-9300  
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**Customer Service: Pharmacal Research Labs., Inc.** 203-755-4908, (800)-243-5350

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Skin Corr. 1A;H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
Eye Dam. 1;H318 Causes serious eye damage.  
Aquatic Acute 3;H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

### 2.2. Label elements

Using the Toxicity Data listed in section 11 and 12 the product is labeled as follows.



**Danger**

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H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H318 Causes serious eye damage.

H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

### [Prevention]:

P260 Do not breathe mist / vapors / spray.

P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves / eye protection / face protection.

### [Response]:

P301+330+331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303+361+353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove / Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water / shower.

P304+340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

P305+351+338 IF IN EYES: Rinse continuously 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.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

P391 Collect spillage.

### [Storage]:

P406 Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.

### [Disposal]:

P501 Dispose of contents / container in accordance with local / national regulations.

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

This product contains the following substances that present a hazard within the meaning of the relevant State and Federal Hazardous Substances regulations.

Ingredient/Chemical Designations	Weight %	GHS Classification	Notes
Sodium hydroxide CAS Number: 0001310-73-2	20	Skin Corr. 1A;H314 Acute Tox(Dermal). 4;H312 Eye Dam. 1, H318 Aquatic Acute 3, H402	[1][2]

[1] Substance classified with a health or environmental hazard.

[2] Substance with a workplace exposure limit.

[3] PBT-substance or vPvB-substance.

\*The full texts of the phrases are shown in Section 16.

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### 4. First aid measures

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

<b>General</b>	In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical attention. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Corrosive and irritating to upper respiratory tract and mucous membranes. Remove affected person to fresh air; wash mouth and nasal passages with water repeatedly; if breathing difficulties persist, seek medical attention
<b>Eyes</b>	Hold eye open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15 - 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first five minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.
<b>Skin</b>	Take off contaminated clothing. Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15 - 20 minutes. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice.
<b>Ingestion</b>	DO NOT induce vomiting; Rinse mouth with water; Seek medical attention immediately.

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

<b>Overview</b>	EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE: SKIN: Will cause severe irritation, redness, and, if untreated, can result in deep chemical burns. EYES: Corrosive to eyes resulting in irritation, reddening, chemical burns, and, if untreated, possibly permanent blindness. INGESTION: Will causes burns of the mucous membranes in the mouth, throat, esophagus, stomach, and can result in possible death. INHALATION: Airborne concentrations of dusts or mists will cause damage to the upper respiratory tract and lungs, which may result in chemical pneumonia. See section 2 for further details.
<b>Eyes</b>	Causes serious eye damage.
<b>Skin</b>	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media

Use media appropriate for surrounding area.

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

Non-combustible material.

Do not breathe mist / vapors / spray.

#### 5.3. Advice for fire-fighters

Not combustible, however following evaporation of aqueous component residual material can decompose if involved in a fire, emitting toxic fumes. Contact with metals may liberate hydrogen gas which is extremely flammable. Fire fighters to wear self-contained breathing apparatus and suitable protective clothing if risk of exposure to products of

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decomposition.

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## 6. Accidental release measures

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

Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see section 8).

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Do not allow spills to enter drains or waterways.

Use good personal hygiene practices. Wash hands before eating, drinking, smoking or using toilet. Promptly remove soiled clothing and wash thoroughly before reuse.

### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Protective clothing and equipment must be worn. Contain spill or leakage in suitable container or holding area. Do not allow drainage to sewers, streams or storm drains. Recover with vacuum equipment and flush with water. Spilled material is slippery.

**“EMPTY” CONTAINER WARNINGS:** Do not reuse empty container. Triple rinse with water - dispose of in conformance with federal, state, and local regulations.

## 7. Handling and storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Avoid storing next to strong acids. Avoid inhalation of vapor or mist.

See section 2 for further details. - [Prevention]:

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

Handle containers carefully to prevent damage and spillage.

Incompatible materials: May react with water, acids, metals and reducing sugars (fructose). Avoid contact with "soft" metals such as magnesium, zinc and aluminum.

Keep in well ventilated area - store above 10°C (50°F). Use goggles or face shield, rubber gloves, and boots where contact is expected.

See section 2 for further details. - [Storage]:

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Keep out of reach of children.

For professional use only.

Do not mix with any other chemicals unless compatibility has been established by the manufacturer.

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### 8. Exposure controls and personal protection

#### 8.1. Control parameters

##### Exposure

CAS No.	Ingredient	Source	Value
0001310-73-2	Sodium hydroxide	OSHA	TWA 2 mg/m3
		ACGIH	Ceiling: 2 mg/m3
		NIOSH	C 2 mg/m3
		Supplier	No Established Limit

##### Carcinogen Data

CAS No.	Ingredient	Source	Value
0001310-73-2	Sodium hydroxide	OSHA	Select Carcinogen: No
		NTP	Known: No; Suspected: No
		IARC	Group 1: No; Group 2a: No; Group 2b: No; Group 3: No; Group 4: No;

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

##### Respiratory

For mist use NIOSH approved respirator.

##### Eyes

Chemical Splash goggles or face shield

##### Skin

A rubber apron and boots are recommended to minimize contact. Protective gloves: Nitrile Rubber

##### Engineering Controls

Provide adequate ventilation. Where reasonably practicable this should be achieved by the use of local exhaust ventilation and good general extraction. If these are not sufficient to maintain concentrations of particulates and any vapor below occupational exposure limits suitable respiratory protection must be worn.

##### Other Work Practices

Use good personal hygiene practices. Wash hands before eating, drinking, smoking or using toilet. Promptly remove soiled clothing and wash thoroughly before reuse.

See section 2 for further details. - [Prevention]:

### 9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Clear Liquid

Odor

Not Measured

Odor threshold

Not Measured

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<b>Melting point / freezing point</b>	Not Measured
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	Not Measured
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not Measured
<b>Evaporation rate (Ether = 1)</b>	Not Measured
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	<b>Lower Explosive Limit:</b> Not Measured <b>Upper Explosive Limit:</b> Not Measured
<b>Vapor pressure (Pa)</b>	Not Measured
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not Measured
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.21
<b>Solubility in Water</b>	Complete @ 1 ATM and 25C
<b>Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Kow)</b>	Not Measured
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	Not Measured
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	Not Measured
<b>Viscosity (cSt)</b>	Not Measured

### 9.2. Other information

Physical properties are approximate or typical values and should not be used for precise design purposes

## 10. Stability and reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

Do not allow contact with acids

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal circumstances.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid contact with strong acids

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

May react with water, acids, and metals. Avoid contact with "soft" metals such as magnesium, zinc and aluminum.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products- no data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

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### 11. Toxicological information

#### Acute toxicity

Ingredient	Oral LD50, mg/kg	Skin LD50, mg/kg	Inhalation Vapor LD50, mg/L/4hr	Inhalation Dust/Mist LD50, mg/L/4hr	Inhalation Gas LD50, ppm
Sodium hydroxide - (1310-73-2)	6,600.00, Mouse - Category: NA	1,350.00, Rabbit - Category: 4	600.00, Mouse - Category: NA	No data available	No data available

Note: When no route specific LD50 data is available for an acute toxin, the converted acute toxicity point estimate was used in the calculation of the product's ATE (Acute Toxicity Estimate).

Classification	Category	Hazard Description
Acute toxicity (oral)	---	Not Applicable
Acute toxicity (dermal)	---	Not Applicable
Acute toxicity (inhalation)	---	Not Applicable
Skin corrosion/irritation	1A	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Serious eye damage/irritation	1	Causes serious eye damage.
Respiratory sensitization	---	Not Applicable
Skin sensitization	---	Not Applicable
Germ cell mutagenicity	---	Not Applicable
Carcinogenicity	---	Not Applicable
Reproductive toxicity	---	Not Applicable
STOT-single exposure	---	Not Applicable
STOT-repeated exposure	---	Not Applicable
Aspiration hazard	---	Not Applicable

### 12. Ecological information

#### 12.1. Toxicity

Harmful to aquatic life.

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

No additional information provided for this product. See Section 3 for chemical specific data.

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### Aquatic Ecotoxicity

Ingredient	96 hr LC50 fish, mg/l	48 hr EC50 crustacea, mg/l	ErC50 algae, mg/l
Sodium hydroxide - (1310-73-2)	196.00, Poecilia reticulata	40.38, Ceriodaphnia dubia	Not Available

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

There is no data available on the preparation itself.

#### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Not Measured

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

No data available.

#### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

This product contains no PBT/vPvB chemicals.

#### 12.6. Other adverse effects

No data available.

## 13. Disposal considerations

#### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Observe all federal, state and local regulations when disposing of this substance.

## 14. Transport information

	DOT (Domestic Surface Transportation)	IMO / IMDG (Ocean Transportation)	ICAO/IATA
14.1. UN number	UN1824	UN1824	UN1760
14.2. UN proper shipping name	Sodium Hydroxide Solution	Sodium Hydroxide Solution	Sodium Hydroxide Solution
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)	DOT Hazard Class: 8 DOT Label: 8	IMDG: 8 Sub Class: Not Applicable	Air Class: 8
14.4. Packing group	II	II	II
14.5. Environmental hazards			
IMDG	Marine Pollutant: No		
14.6. Special precautions for user:	No further information		



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### 15. Regulatory information

**Regulatory Overview** The regulatory data in Section 15 is not intended to be all-inclusive, only selected regulations are represented.

**Toxic Substance Control Act ( TSCA)** All components of this material are either listed or exempt from listing on the TSCA Inventory.

**WHMIS Classification** D2B E

**US EPA Tier II Hazards**

**Fire:** No

**Sudden Release of Pressure:** No

**Reactive:** No

**Immediate (Acute):** Yes

**Delayed (Chronic):** No

**EPCRA 311/312 Chemicals and RQs (lbs):**

Sodium hydroxide ( 1,000.00)

**EPCRA 302 Extremely Hazardous:**

To the best of our knowledge, there are no chemicals at levels which require reporting under this statute.

**EPCRA 313 Toxic Chemicals:**

To the best of our knowledge, there are no chemicals at levels which require reporting under this statute.

**Proposition 65 - Carcinogens (>0.0%):**

To the best of our knowledge, there are no chemicals at levels which require reporting under this statute.

**Proposition 65 - Developmental Toxins (>0.0%):**

To the best of our knowledge, there are no chemicals at levels which require reporting under this statute.

**Proposition 65 - Female Repro Toxins (>0.0%):**

To the best of our knowledge, there are no chemicals at levels which require reporting under this statute.

**Proposition 65 - Male Repro Toxins (>0.0%):**

To the best of our knowledge, there are no chemicals at levels which require reporting under this statute.

**N.J. RTK Substances (>1%):**

Sodium hydroxide

**Penn RTK Substances (>1%):**

Sodium hydroxide

### 16. Other information

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The full text of the phrases appearing in section 3 is:

H312 Harmful in contact with skin.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H318 Causes serious eye damage.

H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

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