

# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC.

## Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

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### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### Sodium

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CHEMTREC Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-9300

Signal Word **DANGER**

Pictograms



### SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Hazard class: Substances and mixtures which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases (Category 1). In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously (H260). Handle under inert gas. Protect from moisture (P231+P232). Keep away from any possible contact with water, because of violent reaction and possible flash fire (P223).

Hazard class: Skin corrosion or irritation (Category 1). Causes severe skin burns and eye damage (H314). Do not breathe dust or fumes (P260).

### SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Sodium	7440-23-5	Na	22.99	

### SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician (P310).

**If inhaled:** Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

**If in eyes:** Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.

**If on skin (or hair):** Immediately remove all contaminated clothing. Brush off loose particles from skin (P335). Rinse skin with water (P303+P361+P353).

**If swallowed:** Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting (P301+P330+P331).

### SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flammable solid. Autoignition Temperature: 120-125 °C Severe fire risk. May ignite spontaneously in moist air. Reacts explosively with water producing very dangerous hydrogen gas.

**In case of fire:** Use class D fire extinguisher or dry sand for extinction (P370+P378). Keep away from any possible contact with water, because of violent reaction and possible flash fire (P223).

**NFPA CODE**  
H-3  
F-3  
R-2  
No Water

### SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Remove all ignition sources and water. Pick up pieces of sodium and place in a container with clean, dry oil (kerosene or mineral oil). Ventilate area and wash site after material has been picked up. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

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**SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #1. Store with metals and metal hydrides.  
Store in a PVC coated glass bottle, under dry oil, and inside a Flinn Saf-Stor™ can.  
Sodium metal must always be stored under dry oil to prevent contact with moist air.

**SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection, and face protection (P280). Wash hands thoroughly after handling (P264).

**SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Soft, silvery-white solid. Wax-like at room temperature.  
Oxidizes rapidly in air.

Boiling point: 883 °C  
Melting point: 97.794 °C  
Specific gravity: 0.97

**SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Decomposes water on contact evolving explosive hydrogen and producing a solution of corrosive sodium hydroxide. Avoid acids and oxidizing agents.  
Shelf life: Good, if stored properly.

**SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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

ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: N.A.  
IHL-RAT LC<sub>50</sub>: N.A.  
SKN-RBT LD<sub>50</sub>: N.A.

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

**SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Aquatic toxicity: Sodium hydroxide (reaction product with water)

**SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.  
Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #3 is one option.

**SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Sodium; Hazard class: 4.3, Dangerous when wet; UN number: UN1428

N/A = Not applicable

**SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (231-132-9), RCRA code D001, D002, D003.

**SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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Consult your copy of the *Flinn Science Catalog/Reference Manual* for additional information about laboratory chemicals.

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