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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier Calcium Buffer
Product code R-0010

Recommended use Use as directed by manufacturer for purposes directly related to water testing.
Recommended restrictions None known
Manufacturer
Taylor Technologies, Inc.
31 Loveton Circle
Sparks, MD 21152

Emergency telephone number: For emergency assistance involving chemicals call
CHEMTREC day or night at: 1-800-424-9300

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Physical hazards Corrosive to metals Category 1
Health hazards Eye damage/irritation Category 1
Skin corrosion/irritation Category 1B
Environmental hazards Not currently regulated by OSHA; refer to section 12 of the SDS for additional information.



Label elements
Signal word Danger
Hazard statement May be corrosive to metals. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Precautionary statement
Prevention Keep only in original container. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Do not breathe mist or vapor. Wash thoroughly after handling.
Response Absorb spillage to prevent damage.
IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
IF ON SKIN (OR HAIR): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
Immediately call a physician or poison control center.
Storage Store locked up.
Disposal None
Hazard(s) not otherwise classified None
Supplemental information None

3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
Deionized water	Dihydrogen oxide	7732-18-5	95-99
	Caustic soda; Lye;		
Sodium hydroxide	Soda lye; Caustic soda solution; Soda lye solution	1310-73-2	0.1-5

Composition comments: All concentrations are in percent by weight unless ingredient is a gas. Gas concentrations are in percent by volume.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation Move to fresh air. Give oxygen or artificial respiration if needed. Get medical attention immediately.

Skin contact Immediately flush skin with running water for at least 20 minutes. Immediately take off all contaminated clothing. Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Chemical burns must be treated by a physician. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Eye contact Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

Ingestion Call a physician or poison control center immediately. Rinse mouth. Never give anything by mouth to a person who is unconscious or is having convulsions. Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed by physician. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content does not get into the lungs.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Direct skin contact may cause corrosive skin burns, deep ulcerations, and possibly permanent scarring. Direct contact with concentrated solutions may be corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision.

Inhalation of mists can cause severe respiratory irritation. Symptoms may include coughing, choking, and wheezing. Inhalation could result in pulmonary edema (fluid accumulation). Symptoms of pulmonary edema (chest pain, shortness of breath) may be delayed.

Ingestion may produce burns to the lips, oral cavity, upper airway, esophagus, and possibly the digestive tract. Symptoms may include abdominal pain, vomiting, burns, perforations, bleeding.

Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically.

Chemical burns: Flush with water immediately. While flushing, remove clothes which do not adhere to affected area. Call an ambulance. Continue flushing during transport to hospital. Keep person under observation. Symptoms may be delayed.

General information Ensure medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media Water fog. Foam. Dry chemical powder. Carbon dioxide.

Unsuitable extinguishing media

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Firefighting equipment/instructions

Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire. During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed. Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire. Firefighters should wear full protective gear. Evacuate the area promptly. Fight fire from upwind to avoid exposure to combustion products. Cool containers/tanks with water spray. Do not get water inside container. Move containers from fire area if it can be done without risk. Prevent fire- extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

Specific methods Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

General fire hazards Not combustible; however, the product can react with metals to form flammable and explosive hydrogen gas.

Hazardous combustion products

Sodium oxides. Other irritating fumes and smoke

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment, and emergency procedures

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Keep unnecessary personnel away. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Keep out of low areas. Wear appropriate protective equipment and clothing during cleanup. Do not breathe mist or vapor. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. For personal protective equipment, refer to section 8 of the SDS. This product is miscible in water.

Large Spills: Dike the spilled material where this is possible. Stop leak if it can be done without risk. Absorb spillage to prevent material damage. Absorb in vermiculite, dry sand or earth, and place into containers. Prevent entry into waterways, sewer, basements, or confined areas. Following product recovery, flush area with water.

Small Spills: Absorb spillage with noncombustible, absorbent material. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination.

Never return spills to original containers for reuse. For waste disposal, refer to section 13 of the SDS. Dilute base with water and neutralize with dilute acid. If not recoverable, dilute with water or flush to holding area and neutralize. Contaminated absorbent material may pose the same hazards as the spilled product. In the event of a spill or accidental release, notify relevant authorities in accordance with all applicable regulations. Environmental precautions Avoid discharge into drains, watercourses, or onto the ground.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling Do not breathe mist or vapor. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not taste or swallow. Avoid prolonged exposure. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. For personal protective equipment, refer to section 8 of the SDS. Keep away from metals and other incompatibles. Observe good industrial hygiene practices. Label containers appropriately. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities
Store locked up. Store in corrosive-resistant container with a corrosive-resistant inner liner. Store in original tightly closed container. Keep only in the original container. Store in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight. Store away from incompatible materials (refer to section 10 of the SDS).

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Occupational exposure limits

U.S. OSHA Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants (29 CFR 1910.1000)

Components	Type	Value	Form
Sodium hydroxide (CAS 1310-73-2)	PEL	2 mg/m ³	Not applicable

U.S. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values

Components	Type	Value	Form
Sodium hydroxide (CAS 1310-73-2)	Ceiling	2 mg/m ³	Not applicable

U.S. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards

Components	Type	Value	Form
Sodium hydroxide (CA 1310-73-2)	Ceiling	2 mg/m ³	Not applicable

Appropriate engineering controls

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level. Eyewash facilities and emergency shower must be available when handling this product.

Eye/face protection Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) and a face shield. Provide an emergency eyewash fountain and quick-drench shower in the immediate work area.

Skin protection

Hand protection Wear appropriate chemical-resistant gloves. Advice should be sought from glove suppliers.

Other Wear appropriate chemical-resistant clothing.

Respiratory protection In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. Use a NIOSH/MSHA approved respirator if there is a risk of exposure to dust/fumes at levels exceeding the exposure limits. Advice should be sought from respiratory protection suppliers.

Thermal hazards When necessary, wear appropriate thermal protective clothing.

General hygiene considerations

Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contamination.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance

Physical state	Liquid
Form	Liquid
Color	Clear colorless or nearly colorless
Odor	Odorless
Odor threshold	Not available
pH	13.1
Melting point/freezing point	Not available
Initial boiling point and boiling range	230°F (110°C)
Flash point	Not applicable (does not burn)
Evaporation rate	Not available

Flammability (solid, gas)	Not applicable
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	
Flammability limit, lower (%)	Not applicable
Flammability limit, upper (%)	Not applicable
Explosive limit, lower (%)	Not applicable
Explosive limit, upper (%)	Not applicable
Vapor pressure	17 mm Hg
Vapor density	0.6
Relative density	1.20 g/cm ³
Solubility(ies)	
Solubility (water)	Soluble in all proportions
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)	Not available
Auto-ignition temperature	Not applicable
Decomposition temperature	Not available
Viscosity	Not available
Other information	
Explosive properties	Not applicable
Oxidizing properties	Not applicable
Percent volatile	98%
Specific gravity	1.20

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	This product is stable and nonreactive under normal conditions of use, storage, and transport.
Chemical stability	Material is stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	
No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use. This product may react with oxidizing agents	
Conditions to avoid	Contact with incompatible materials. Do not use in areas without adequate ventilation.
Incompatible materials	Metal compounds. Nitromethane. Oxidizing agents. Strong acids. Sugars.
Hazardous decomposition products	
None known. For hazardous combustion products, refer to section 5 of the SDS.	

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on likely routes of exposure			
Inhalation	May cause irritation to the respiratory system		
Skin contact	Causes severe skin burns		
Eye contact	Causes serious eye damage		
Ingestion	Causes digestive tract burns		
Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed			
Direct skin contact may cause corrosive skin burns, deep ulcerations, and possibly permanent scarring. Direct contact with concentrated solutions may be corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage, including blindness. Symptoms may include stinging, tearing, redness, swelling, and blurred vision.			
Inhalation of mists can cause severe respiratory irritation. Symptoms may include coughing, choking, and wheezing. Inhalation could result in pulmonary edema (fluid accumulation). Symptoms of pulmonary edema (chest pain, shortness of breath) may be delayed.			
Ingestion may produce burns to the lips, oral cavity, upper airway, esophagus, and possibly the digestive tract. Symptoms may include abdominal pain, vomiting, burns, perforations, bleeding.			
Acute toxicity	This product is not classified as an acute toxicity hazard. See below for individual ingredient acute toxicity data.		
Components	Species	Test Results	
Sodium hydroxide (CAS 1310-73-2)			
Acute			
Dermal	LD50	Rabbit	Not available
Inhalation	LC50	Rat	Not available
Oral	LD50	Rat	140–340 mg/kg
Deionized water (CAS 7732-18-5)			
Acute			
Dermal	LD50	Rabbit	Not available
Inhalation	LC50	Rat	Not available

Oral LD50	Rat	>89840 mg/kg
Skin corrosion/irritation	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage	
Serious eye damage/eye irritation		
Causes serious eye damage		
Respiratory sensitization	Not expected to be a respiratory sensitizer	
Skin sensitization	Not expected to be a skin sensitizer	
Germ cell mutagenicity	Not expected to be mutagenic	
Carcinogenicity	This product is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, NTP, OSHA or U.S. ACGIH.	
OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1096)		
Not regulated		
Reproductive toxicity	This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.	
Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure		
Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure		
Not classified as a specific target organ toxicity – single exposure		
Not classified as a specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure		
Aspiration toxicity	Not expected to be an aspiration hazard	
Chronic effects and dermatitis	Frequent or prolonged contact may defat and dry the skin, leading to discomfort	
12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION		
Ecotoxicity	This product is not classified as environmentally hazardous; however, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.	
Components	Species	Test Results
Sodium hydroxide (CAS 1310-73-2) – Aquatic		
Acute		
Crustacea EC50	Water flea (Daphnia magna)	40 mg/L, 48 hours
Persistence and degradability	Not available	
Bioaccumulative potential	Not available	
Mobility in soil	Not available	
Other adverse effects	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g., ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.	
13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATION		
Disposal instructions	Collect and reclaim or dispose of in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site.	
Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.		
Local disposal regulations	Dispose of in accordance with all applicable regulations.	
Hazardous waste code	The waste code should be assigned in discussion with the user, the producer, and the waste disposal company.	
Waste from residues/unused products		
Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (refer to Disposal instructions).		
Contaminated packaging	Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste-handling site for recycling or disposal.	
Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.		
14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION		
DOT		
UN number	UN1824	
UN proper shipping name	Sodium hydroxide solution	
Transport hazard class(es)	Class	8
Subsidiary risk	Not listed	
Label(s)	8	
Packing group	II	
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS, and emergency procedures before handling.	
Special provisions	A6, T14, TP2, TP27	

Packaging exceptions	Not listed		
Packaging, non-bulk	201		
Packaging, bulk	243		
IATA			
UN number	UN1824		
UN proper shipping name	Sodium hydroxide solution		
Transport hazard class(es) Class	8		
Subsidiary risk	Not listed	Packing group	II Environmental hazards Not listed
ERG code	8L		
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS, and emergency procedures before handling.		
Other information			
Passenger and cargo aircraft	Allowed		

IMDG

Cargo aircraft only	Allowed		
UN number	UN1824		
UN proper shipping name	Sodium hydroxide solution		
Transport hazard class(es) Class	8		
Subsidiary risk	Not listed		
Packing group	II		
Environmental hazards			
Marine pollutant	Not listed		
EmS	F-A, S-B		
Special precautions for user	Read safety instructions, SDS, and emergency procedures before handling.		
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code			

DOT**IATA; IMDG****15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

U.S. federal regulations	This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.			
All components are on the U.S. EPA TSCA Inventory list.				
TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)	Not regulated			
CERCLA Hazardous Substance (40 CFR 302.4)	Sodium hydroxide (CAS 1310-73-2)			
SARA 304 Emergency Release Notification	Not regulated			
OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1096)	Not regulated			
Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) Hazard categories				
Immediate hazard — yes	Delayed hazard — no	Fire hazard — no	Pressure hazard — no	Reactivity hazard — yes
SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance	Not regulated			

SARA 311/312 Hazardous Chemical		Not regulated
SARA 313 (TRI reporting)		Not regulated
Other federal regulations		
Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)		Not regulated
Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)		Not regulated
Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)		Not regulated
U.S. state regulations		
California Controlled Substances. CA Department of Justice (California Health and Safety Code Section 11100)		Not regulated
Massachusetts Right-to-Know Act		Sodium hydroxide (CAS 1310-73-2)
New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act		Sodium hydroxide (CAS 1310-73-2)
Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act		Sodium hydroxide (CAS 1310-73-2)
Rhode Island Right-to-Know Act		Sodium hydroxide (CAS 1310-73-2)
California Proposition 65		
California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins.		
International inventories		
Country(ies) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	no
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China (IECSC)	yes
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	no
Japan	Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)	yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)	yes
*A "yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(ies). A "no" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(ies).		

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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