

# Material Safety Data Sheet

Hazardous Substance, Non-Dangerous Goods

## 1. MATERIAL AND SUPPLY COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Product name:** pH Down

**Other Names:** Sodium bisulphate, Sodium hydrogen sulphate, Dry Acid

**Recommended use:** pH and Total alkalinity decreaser

**Supplier:** Zodiac Group Australia Pty Ltd

**ABN:** 87 002 641 965

**Street Address:** 219 Woodpark Rd,  
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**Emergency telephone number:** If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 131 126, New Zealand 0800 764 766).

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This material is hazardous according to health criteria of NOHSC Australia.

**Hazard Category:**

Xi Irritant

**Risk Phrase(s):**

R41: Risk of serious damage to eyes.

**Safety Phrase(s):**

S22: Do not breathe dust.

S25: Avoid contact with eyes.

S36/37/39: Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for transport by Road and Rail.

**Poisons Schedule (Aust):** S5

This material is a Scheduled Poison S5 and must be stored, maintained and used in accordance with the relevant regulations.



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## 3. COMPOSITION INFORMATION

CHEMICAL ENTITY	CAS NO.	PROPORTION
Sodium hydrogen sulphate	7681-38-1	>99%
Ingredients determined to be non-hazardous	-	Balance
		<hr/> 100%

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 131 126, New Zealand 0800 764 766).

**Inhalation:** Remove victim from exposure - avoid becoming a casualty. Remove contaminated clothing and loosen remaining clothing. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Keep at rest until fully recovered. Seek medical advice if effects persist.

**Skin contact:** If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water. If swelling, redness, blistering or irritation occurs seek medical assistance.

**Eye contact:** Immediately irrigate with copious quantities of water for 15 minutes. Eyelids to be held open. Remove clothing if contaminated and wash skin. Urgently seek medical assistance. Transport to hospital or medical centre.

**Ingestion:** Rinse mouth with water. If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Give a glass of water to drink. Never give anything by the mouth to an unconscious patient. If vomiting occurs give further water. Seek immediate medical advice.

**Notes to physician:** Treat symptomatically. Can cause corneal burns.

## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Specific hazards:** Non-combustible material.

**Fire fighting further advice:** Not combustible. On decomposing may emit toxic fumes. Fire fighters to wear self-contained breathing apparatus and suitable protective clothing if risk of exposure to vapour or products of combustion.

**Hazchem Code:** Not applicable.

**Suitable extinguishing media:** Not combustible, however, if material is involved in a fire use water fog (or if unavailable fine water spray), foam, dry agent (carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder).

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### SMALL SPILLS

Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination. Avoid inhalation of vapours. Wipe up with absorbent (clean rag or paper towels). Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal.

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## LARGE SPILLS

Shut off all possible sources of ignition. Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Wear protective equipment to prevent skin and eye contamination and the inhalation of dust. Work up wind or increase ventilation. Cover with damp absorbent (inert material, sand or soil). Sweep or vacuum up, but avoid generating dust. Collect and seal in properly labelled containers or drums for disposal. If contamination of sewers or waterways has occurred advise local emergency services.

**Dangerous Goods – Initial Emergency Response Guide No:** Not applicable.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling:** Avoid skin and eye contact and inhalation of dust.

**Storage:** Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place and out of direct sunlight. Store away from incompatible materials described in Section 10. Keep containers closed when not in use - check regularly for spills.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### National occupational exposure limits:

No value assigned for this specific material by the National Occupational Health and Safety Commission (NOHSC Australia).

**Biological Limit Values:** As per the "National Model Regulations for the Control of Workplace Hazardous Substances [NOHSC: 1005 (1994)]" the ingredients in this material do not have a Biological Limit Allocated.

**Engineering measures:** Natural ventilation should be adequate under normal use conditions.

**Personal protection equipment:** OVERALLS, SAFETY SHOES, CHEMICAL GOGGLES, GLOVES.

Wear overalls, chemical goggles and impervious gloves. Available information suggests that gloves made from nitrile rubber should be suitable for intermittent contact. However, due to variations in glove construction and local conditions, the user should make a final assessment. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing and other protective equipment before storing or re-using. If risk of inhalation of exists, wear organic vapour/particulate respirator meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Form / Colour / Odour:** Transparent or slightly yellowish solid.

<b>Solubility in water (25 °C):</b>	280 g/L
<b>Specific Gravity (20 °C):</b>	approx 1.4-1.5
<b>Relative Vapour Density (air=1):</b>	N App
<b>Vapour Pressure (20 °C):</b>	N App
<b>Flash Point (°C):</b>	N App
<b>Flammability Limits (%):</b>	N App
<b>Autoignition Temperature (°C):</b>	N App
<b>Melting Point/Range (°C):</b>	N App

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<b>Boiling Point/Range (°C):</b>	approx 315
<b>pH (1% solution):</b>	approx 1
<b>Viscosity:</b>	N App
<b>Surface Tension:</b>	N App
<b>Evaporation Rate (n-Butyl acetate=1):</b>	N App
<b>Partition Coefficient:</b>	N Av
<b>Moisture content (%):</b>	N Av
<b>Molecular formula:</b>	HNaO <sub>4</sub> S
<b>Molecular weight:</b>	120.07

(Typical values only - consult specification sheet)  
N Av = Not available                      N App = Not applicable

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical stability:** This material is thermally stable when stored and used as directed.

**Conditions to avoid:** Elevated temperatures and sources of ignition.

**Incompatible Materials:** Oxidising agents, chlorites, hypochlorites and sulphites.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Oxides of carbon, nitrogen and sulphides, hydrochloric acid, smoke and other toxic fumes.

**Hazardous reactions:** No known hazardous reactions.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No adverse health effects expected if the product is handled in accordance with this Safety Data Sheet and the product label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the product is mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

### Acute Effects

**Inhalation:** Material may be irritant to mucous membranes and respiratory tract.

**Skin contact:** Contact with skin may result in irritation.

**Eye contact:** A severe eye irritant. Corrosive to eyes: contact can cause corneal burns. Contamination of eyes can result in permanent injury.

**Ingestion:** Swallowing can result in nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain and chemical burns to the gastrointestinal tract.

**Long Term Effects:** No information available for product.

### Acute toxicity / Chronic toxicity

No LD50 data available for the product.



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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Avoid contaminating waterways.

**Ecotoxicity:** No information available.

**Persistence and degradability:** No information available.

**Mobility:** No information available.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Refer to State/Territory Land Waste Management Authority.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### ROAD AND RAIL TRANSPORT

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for transport by Road and Rail.

### MARINE TRANSPORT

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea.

### AIR TRANSPORT

Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air.

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**Poisons Schedule (Aust):** S5

All the constituents of this material are listed on the Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### Literary reference

This Material Safety Data Sheet has been prepared by Chemical Data Services Pty Ltd on behalf of its client.

Reason(s) For Issue: Revised

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This MSDS summarises at the date of issue our best knowledge of the health and safety hazard information of the product, and in particular how to safely handle and use the product in the workplace. Since Premium Quality Pool Products Pty Ltd cannot anticipate or control the conditions under which the product may be used, each user must, prior to usage, review this MSDS in the context of how the user intends to handle and use the product in the workplace.

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If clarification or further information is needed to ensure that an appropriate assessment can be made, the user should contact this company.

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The information in this Material Safety Data Sheet relates only to the specific material designated herein and does not relate to its use together with any other material or in any process

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