

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

**Section 1: IDENTIFICATION** 

# **SONEX**

**Recommended Use:** Hospital and Laboratory Equipment Detergent. **Product Code:**190171 (2x5L),190171W (2x5L Wide Neck),190195(15L)



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### Section 2: HAZARDS

Classified as hazardous by the criteria of Safe Work Australia.

Dangerous Goods Class 8 - Corrosive.

R34: Causes burns. R36: Irritating to eyes.

S26: In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical

advice.

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

S45: In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label

whenever possible).

### Section 3: COMPOSITION INFORMATION

IngredientCAS NoProportionIngredients deemed not to be hazardousNot applicableTo 100%Potassium Hydroxide\*1310-58-3<10%</td>Tetrasodium ethylene diamine tetraacetate64-02-8<10%</td>

#### Section 4: FIRST AID

Eye (Contact) Hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water. Take

care not to rinse contaminated water into unaffected eye. Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at

least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention immediately.

**Skin (Contact)** Remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water.

**Inhalation(Breathing)** Not volatile at room temperatures.

Ingestion (Swallowing) DO NOT induce vomiting. Rinse mouth with water and give water to drink if

victim is conscious. Contact the Poisons Information Centre (Phone

131126) or a doctor.

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<sup>\*</sup> the actual amount of this material is less than 5%.

Advice to Doctor Treat symptomatically for highly alkaline solution.

First Aid Facilities Ensure an eye bath and safety shower are available and ready for use.

**Additional Information** No aggravated medical conditions are known to be caused by exposure to

this product.

#### Section 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURE

**Suitable Extinguishing Media** Solution is not combustible. Use extinguishing media suited to the

materials that are burning. eg. Dry chemical, CO<sub>2</sub> or water spray.

**Hazards From Combustion** 

**Products** 

Carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides and other toxic gases may be produced in the case of fire or during thermal

decomposition. Corrosive alkali vapours may be present.

**Precautions For Fire Fighters** and Special Protective

**Equipment** 

Firefighters must wear full protective clothing including self contained breathing apparatus and chemical splash suit. Ensure that spillage does not enter drains or water courses. Remove from

the vicinity containers not involved in the fire.

**Additional Information** Hazchem Code - 2R

#### Section 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Emergency Procedure** SAA/SNZ HB76: Dangerous Goods – Initial Emergency Response Guide

(Guide 37) – for large volumes.

For small volumes (approximately less than 1L) - Clean up personnel should Spills / Clean up

wear full protective clothing. Restrict access to area until completion of cleanup. Stop leak if safe to do so. Contain spill with absorbent material, such as toweling, sand, vermiculite or other inert material. Prevent spill entering sewers or waterways. Collect and dispose of spilled material according to local regulations. Wash away remnants with copious amounts of cold water. Clean area by working from the periphery to the centre of spill

or from the edge of the room to the centre.

### Section 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Precautions for Safe Handling** Contact Whiteley Corporation sales representative for advice when

using this product for any application other than that outlined on the

label or technical bulletin.

Any non-intended or non-authorised use of this product may result in severe personal injuries including caustic burns, or damage to

equipment and severe corrosion. Store product in original container.

Wash hands and face thoroughly after handling and before work

breaks, eating, drinking, smoking and using toilet facilities.

Conditions for Safe Storage Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area away from incompatible

materials. Keep container tightly sealed.

### Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROL/PERSONAL PROTECTION

National Exposure Standards - Source: National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003].

Issue No. 8 Page 2 of 4 Ingredient CAS No **ES-STEL** Potassium Hydroxide 1310-58-3 Not available

**Biological Limit Values** Not available.

**Engineering Controls** Ensure adequate ventilation to keep airbourne concentrations

below exposure standards.

**Personal Protective Equipment** Eye/face protection - Safety glasses or chemical resistant

goggles should be worn to prevent eye contact.

Skin protection - Use nitrile rubber gloves, apron and

chemical resistant boots to prevent skin contact.

Respiratory protection – Respirator is not usually necessary but if product is being used in a confined area where mist is a problem, use a respirator suitable for particulates and alkaline

gases.

### Section 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance Slightly hazy, pale

brown liquid

**Boiling Point** Not Available.

**Odour** Characteristic Freezing Point Not Available.

**pH** >13 Solubility Soluble in water.

Specific Gravity 1.07 Flash Point Not Applicable.

Upper and Lower Flammability limits (in air) Not Applicable. Vapour Pressure Not Available.

Vapour Density Not Available. **Ignition Temperature** Not Applicable.

### Section 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical Stability** Stable under normal ambient storage conditions.

Conditions to avoid Avoid high temperatures (store below 30°C). Protect against

physical damage.

Incompatible materials Incompatible with aluminium, tin, zinc, magnesium and their

alloys. Also incompatible with acid and ammonium salts.

**Hazardous decomposition products** None known.

**Hazardous reactions** May react with ammonium salts, aluminium, tin and zinc to

produce flammable hydrogen gas. Reacts violently with

acids.

### Section 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### **HEALTH EFFECTS**

**Acute** 

**Swallowed** May cause pain, nausea, vomiting, tissue damage in the mouth, throat and stomach. Eye

May cause pain, burning and reddening. Severe damage may result if not treated

immediately.

Skin Causes irritation, redness and burns on contact with skin.

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Chronic

**Swallowed** Permanent injury may result. **Eye** Permanent injury may result.

**Skin** Repeated skin contact may lead to contact dermatitis.

**Inhalation** None known.

**TOXICITY DATA** 

Potassium hydroxide LD<sub>50</sub> 273mg/kg (oral, rat) RTECS TT2100000

### Section 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity** Not available.

Persistence and degradability Not available.

**Mobility** Not available.

# Section 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal method Refer to State/Territory Land Waste Management Authority. Dispose of

material through a licensed waste contractor. Rinse empty containers

thoroughly before recycling or disposing to an authorised landfill.

**Special precautions** Normally suitable for incineration by approved agent.

### Section 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code).

UN Number 1719

UN Proper Shipping Name CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S.

Class and subsidiary risk 8 – Corrosive

Packing Group III

Special precautions for user Not applicable

Hazchem Code 2R

### Section 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

Poisons Schedule (SUSDP): schedule 5 - CAUTION.

All ingredients are listed in the Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

### **Section 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

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