1. Identification

1110819 Product Code

CUPRAMMONIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION (Shirley's) Product Name

17500-49-1 CAS Number

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2. Composition

Component	CAS No	EEC No	Conc w/w	Classification & Risk Phrases	Exp (See 8.1)
Ammonia	1336-21-6	231-635-3	20.0%	C : R34,R50	WEL

3. Hazards Identification



Causes burns. Irritating to respiratory system.

4. First Aid Measures

Irrigate thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 10 minutes, holding the eye open.

OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.

Skin Wash off skin thoroughly with water. Remove contaminated clothing immediately and wash

before re-use. In severe cases or if exposure has been great, OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.

Remove from exposure. Keep warm and at rest. If there is difficulty in breathing give Inhalation

oxygen if available. If breathing stops or shows signs of failing, apply artificial

resuscitation. If conscious place in a sitting position. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION URGENTLY.

Ingestion If conscious give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting. If unconscious place in

the recovery position. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION URGENTLY.

5. Fire Fighting Measures

Hazards Evacuate area immediately. Keep up wind. Avoid exposure to toxic vapours and fumes. Fire-

fighters should wear protective clothing and breathing apparatus. May evolve toxic fumes if

involved in a fire.

Extinguishing Media

Water spray, dry powder, carbon dioxide or vaporising liquids.

Unsuitable

Nothing specified.

6. Accidental Release Measures

Avoid breathing vapour. Use approved personal protective equipment. Evacuate area

Protection immediately. Do not allow general use of area until it is safe to do so.

6. Accidental Release Measures (continued)

Enviromental Keep material out of sewers, storm drains, surface waters and soil. Notify the

Environmental Agency and local Environmental Health Officer if major spillage occurs.

Major Spillage Contain and absorb on inert material. Transfer absorbent to salvage container for removal.

Wash area down with copious amounts of water.

Minor Spillage Contain and absorb on inert material. Neutralise with 5M hydrochloric acid. Transfer

absorbent to container for removal. Wash area down with copious amounts of water.

7. Storage & Handling

Handling Precautions Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breath vapours. Do not allow to contaminate

clothing.

Ensure Local Exhaust Ventilation maintains vapour concentrations below the recommended

limits.

Storage Conditions Keep product moist, away from direct sources of heat and metals.

8.1 Workplace Exposure Limits

Component	CAS No	Workplace Exposure Limits		Maximum Exposure Limits	
		Long Term Short Term		Long Term	Short Term
		ppm mg m-3	ppm mg m-3	ppm mg m-3	ppm mg m-3
Ammonia	1336-21-6	25.00 17.00	35.00 24.00		

8.2 Personal Protection

Respiratory Use L.E.V. or natural ventilation to maintain vapour concentrations below exposure limits.

If not, use a well maintained chemical cartridge respirator, or use self contained

breathing apparatus.

Hands Use nitrile gloves or PVC gauntlets.

Eyes Use chemical splash proof glasses or goggles.

Skin If skin contact or contamination of clothing is likely, protective clothing must be worn.

9. Physical & Chemical Properties

Appearance Deep blue clear solution.

Odour Pungent and intensely irritating.

pH 14 @ 20 °C
Boiling point Not available
Melting point Not available
Flash point Not available
Upper Flammable Limit Not available
Lower Flammable Limit Not available
Auto Ignition Not available

Explosive properties No. Oxidising Properties No.

Vapour Presure 101 kPa @ 20 C Relative Density 0.9200 °C

Water Solubility Completely soluble in water.

10. Stability & Reactivity

Chemical Stability Stable under normal conditions

Conditions to Avoid No specific conditions.

Materials to Avoid Acids. Strong oxidising agents.

Hazardous May produce hazardous fumes if involved in a fire.

Decomposition Products

11. Toxicological Information

The vapour is be extremely irritating to eyes and can cause chemical eye burns. Damage can Eves

range from severe irritation and corneal scarring to permanent blindness.

Skin The liquid will cause burns.

LD50 Skin Not available

Ingestion will cause severe mouth burns, and if swallowed extensive damage to the Ingest

oesophagus.

LD50 Ingest Not available

Inhalation Exposure to vapour concentrations above the occupational exposure limits will produce

> irritation of the eyes, nose, throat and respiratory tract. High concentrations of vapour will effect the central nervous system causing spasms. In fatal cases severe damage to the

lungs occurs along with secondary cardiovascular effects.

Carcinogenicity Not considered to be a carcinogen.

No information is available. Mutagenicity Reproductive Effects No information is available.

Other Information The irritant effect provides warning that control of exposure is needed. 15ppm is the

threshold for irritation with severe irritation occurring above 22ppm.

12. Ecological

Solutions or high vapour concentrations will cause damage to vegetation. If introduced into rivers lakes etc, pH of water is important. If >7.5-8 will form free ammonia which is toxic to aquatic life. Highly mobile and readily diluted in water courses. Copper salts are harmful to the environment.

13. Disposal Considerations

Disposal Methods

Dissolve in water and adjust pH to 7, then precipitate out as the sulphide. Filter off the insoluble material and dispose of at a licensed land-fill site. Destroy excess sulphide with sodium hypochlorite, neutralise the solution and wash to drain with copious amounts of water.

Contaminated Packaging Wash out containers with water. Use a licensed waste disposer.

14. Transport Information

Proper Shipping Name Corrosive Liquid, Basic, Inorganic, N.O.S. (Ammonia Solution)

UN Number 3266

8 Corrosive

UN Classification Subsidiary Risk

None

Flash Point Not available

Packing Group III Transport Category 3 Marine pollutant No ADR Hazard ID 80



15. Regulatory Information

Labelling Corrosive.

Classification

Label Symbols



15. Regulatory Information (continued)

Risk & safety Phrases

Causes burns. Irritating to respiratory system. Keep locked up and out of reach of children. Keep container tightly closed. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label). Avoid release to the environment, refer to special instructions/safety data sheet.

EEC Number Not available

16. Other Information

Document Information

This document has been prepared in accordance with directive 88/379/EEC.

The information contained in this document only covers the hazards presented by this material, it DOES NOT constitute a workplace risk assessment.

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