

# Camlab Limited – Material Safety Data Sheet


## 1. Identification

Product Code CC2390–DH

Product Name **SODIUM HYDROXIDE 0.05M (N/20) A.R.**

CAS Number 1310–73–2

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## 2. Composition

Component	CAS No	EEC No	Conc w/w	Classification & Risk Phrases	Exp (See 8.1)
Sodium hydroxide	1310–73–2	215–185–5	0.2%	R35	WEL

## 3. Hazards Identification

Not considered harmful

## 4. First Aid Measures

Eyes Irrigate thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 10 minutes, holding the eye open. If discomfort persists OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.

Skin Wash off skin thoroughly with water. Remove contaminated clothing immediately and wash before re-use. If irritation persists or there is any sign of skin damage, seek IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Inhalation Remove from exposure.

Ingestion If conscious give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.

## 5. Fire Fighting Measures

Hazards Presents no specific fire danger.

Extinguishing Media Consider what other flammable materials are present and act accordingly.

Unsuitable Media Nothing specified.

## 6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal Protection Use approved personal protective equipment.

Environmental Keep non-neutralised material out of sewers, storm drains, surface waters and soil. Notify the Environmental Agency and local Environmental Health Officer if major spillage occurs.

## 6. Accidental Release Measures (continued)

Major Spillage	Contain spill with inert material. Neutralise with 5M hydrochloric acid. Wash area down with copious amounts of water.
Minor Spillage	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	Store in a dry place protected against moisture and water. Keep well separated from acids, metals, explosives, organic peroxides and ignitable materials.

## 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 <sup>-3</sup>	ppm	mg m <sup>-3</sup>	ppm	mg m <sup>-3</sup>	ppm	mg m <sup>-3</sup>
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	-	-	-	2.000	-	-	-	-

## 8.2 Personal Protection

Respiratory	In cases where a spray or mist may be formed, 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	Clear colourless liquid.
Odour	Odourless.
pH	14 @ 20 °C
Boiling point	Aqueous solution
Melting point	Aqueous solution
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 Pressure	Negligible
Relative Density	1.0016 °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. Reacts with aluminium and zinc to produce extremely flammable hydrogen gas.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	None unusual.

## 11. Toxicological Information

Eyes	The liquid may be irritating to the eyes but unlikely to cause serious injury.
Skin	The liquid may be irritating to the skin.
LD50 Skin	Not available
Ingest	Ingestion of large amounts may cause nausea, abdominal discomfort, vomiting and diarrhoea.
LD50 Ingest	Not available
Inhalation	Presents no significant health hazard by inhalation.
Carcinogenicity	Not considered to be a carcinogen.
Mutagenicity	Not considered to be a mutagen.
Reproductive Effects	None identified.

## 12. Ecological

Small amounts present no specific environmental hazard. Neutralised material presents no specific environmental hazard.

## 13. Disposal Considerations

Disposal Methods	Dilute in a large excess of water and carefully neutralise with an acid, then 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	Non-restricted
UN Number	Non-restricted
UN Classification	None
Subsidiary Risk	None
Flash Point	Not available
Packing Group	None
Transport Category	None
Marine pollutant	No
ADR Hazard ID	Non-restricted

## 15. Regulatory Information

Labelling	None
Classification	
Label Symbols	None
Risk & safety Phrases	Avoid contact with eyes.
EEC Number	215-185-5

## 16. Other Information

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