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## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Sodium nitrite

**Cat No. :** S347-10; S347-250; S347-3; S347-500

**Synonyms** No information available

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** No Information available

**Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

**Company**

Fisher Scientific  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

**Emergency Telephone Number**

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Oxidizing solids	Category 3
Acute oral toxicity	Category 3
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Kidney, Liver, Blood, Cardiovascular system.	

**Label Elements**

**Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

May intensify fire; oxidizer  
Toxic if swallowed  
Causes serious eye irritation  
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Use personal protective equipment as required  
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
 Wear eye/face protection  
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking  
 Keep/Store away from clothing/ other combustible materials  
 Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles

#### Response

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

#### Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

#### Eyes

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

#### Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

Rinse mouth

#### Fire

In case of fire: Use CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

#### Storage

Store locked up  
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Very toxic to aquatic life

### 3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Sodium nitrite	7632-00-0	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

#### Eye Contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.  
 Obtain medical attention.

#### Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.

#### Inhalation

Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with a respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.

#### Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

**Most important symptoms/effects** No information available.  
**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media** No information available

**Flash Point** No information available  
**Method -** No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** 510 °C / 950 °F

**Explosion Limits**

**Upper** No data available

**Lower** No data available

**Oxidizing Properties** Oxidizer

**Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact** No information available

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.). Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

Nitrogen oxides (NOx) Sodium oxides

**Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

**NFPA**

**Health**  
3

**Flammability**  
0

**Instability**  
2

**Physical hazards**  
OX

## 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal Precautions** Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.

**Environmental Precautions** Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Keep combustibles (wood, paper, oil, etc) away from spilled material. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and storage

**Handling** Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe dust. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

**Storage** Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Do not store near combustible materials. Store under an inert atmosphere.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

**Exposure Guidelines** This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

**Engineering Measures** Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

#### Personal Protective Equipment

**Eye/face Protection** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin and body protection** Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection** Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

### 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	Light yellow
<b>Odor</b>	No information available
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	8-9 (10 g/l aq.sol)
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	271 °C / 519.8 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	320 °C / 608 °F
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable
<b>Relative Density</b>	No information available
<b>Solubility</b>	820 g/L (20°C)
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	510 °C / 950 °F
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	> 320°C
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	N Na O2
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	69

### 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	Yes
<b>Stability</b>	Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Combustible material. Avoid dust formation. Exposure to moist air or water.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Acids, Amines, Reducing agents, Oxidizing agents, Combustible material, Strong reducing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Sodium oxides
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information

#### Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Sodium nitrite	85 mg/kg ( Rat )	Not listed	5.5 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

**Irritation** Irritating to eyes

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Sodium nitrite	7632-00-0	Not listed				

*IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)*

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*Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans*

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** None known

**STOT - repeated exposure** Kidney Liver Blood Cardiovascular system

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Very toxic to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Sodium nitrite	-	Oncorhynchus mykiss: LC50 = 0.09-0.13 mg/L 96h	-	12.5-100 mg/L 48h

**Persistence and Degradability** Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Sodium nitrite	-3.7

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a

hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN-No UN1500  
 Proper Shipping Name SODIUM NITRITE  
 Hazard Class 5.1  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

### TDG

UN-No UN1500  
 Proper Shipping Name SODIUM NITRITE  
 Hazard Class 5.1  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

### IATA

UN-No UN1500  
 Proper Shipping Name Sodium nitrite  
 Hazard Class 5.1  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

### IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1500  
 Proper Shipping Name Sodium nitrite  
 Hazard Class 5.1  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

## 15. Regulatory information

### International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Sodium nitrite	X	X	-	231-555-9	-		X	X	X	X	X

#### Legend:

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

### U.S. Federal Regulations

#### TSCA 12(b)

Not applicable

Component	TSCA 12(b)
Sodium nitrite	Section 5

#### SARA 313

Component	CAS-No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Sodium nitrite	7632-00-0	>95	1.0

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization**

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	Yes

**Clean Water Act**

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Sodium nitrite	X	100 lb	-	-

**Clean Air Act** Not applicable

**OSHA** Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Not applicable

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Sodium nitrite	100 lb	-

**California Proposition 65** This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

**State Right-to-Know**

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Sodium nitrite	X	X	X	X	-

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ):	Y
DOT Marine Pollutant	N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** No information available

**Canada**

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

**WHMIS Hazard Class**

C Oxidizing materials  
D1B Toxic materials



## 16. Other information

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**Revision Summary** This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS)

**Disclaimer**

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**End of SDS**