



# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

#### 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

MATHESON TRI-GAS, INC. Emergency Contact:

150 Allen Road Suite 302 CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300

Basking Ridge, New Jersey 07920 Calls Originating Outside the US:

**Information: 1-800-416-2505** 703-527-3887 (Collect Calls Accepted)

SUBSTANCE: SODIUM METAL

TRADE NAMES/SYNONYMS:

SODIUM; SODIUM-23; SODIUM ATOM; NATRIUM; METALLIC SODIUM; STCC 4916456; UN 1428;

S-135; S-206; MAT20850; RTECS VY0686000

**CHEMICAL FAMILY:** metal

**CREATION DATE:** Jan 24 1989 **REVISION DATE:** Dec 11 2008

## 2. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**COMPONENT: SODIUM METAL** 

**CAS NUMBER:** 7440-23-5

PERCENTAGE: 100

#### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

NFPA RATINGS (SCALE 0-4): HEALTH=3 FIRE=3 REACTIVITY=2

## **EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:**

**COLOR:** gray **ODOR:** odorless

**MAJOR HEALTH HAZARDS:** No significant target effects reported.

PHYSICAL HAZARDS: Extremely flammable. May ignite spontaneously on exposure to air. May react on

contact with air, heat, light or water.

#### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:

**INHALATION:** 

**SHORT TERM EXPOSURE:** burns

LONG TERM EXPOSURE: no information on significant adverse effects







**SKIN CONTACT:** 

**SHORT TERM EXPOSURE:** burns

**LONG TERM EXPOSURE:** no information on significant adverse effects

**EYE CONTACT:** 

**SHORT TERM EXPOSURE:** burns

**LONG TERM EXPOSURE:** no information on significant adverse effects

**INGESTION:** 

**SHORT TERM EXPOSURE:** burns

**LONG TERM EXPOSURE:** no information on significant adverse effects

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**INHALATION:** If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. If breathing is difficult, oxygen should be administered by qualified personnel. Get immediate medical attention.

**SKIN CONTACT:** Wash skin with soap and water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get immediate medical attention. Thoroughly clean and dry contaminated clothing before reuse. Destroy contaminated shoes.

**EYE CONTACT:** Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.

**INGESTION:** DO NOT induce vomiting. Never make an unconscious person vomit or drink fluids. Give large amounts of water or milk. When vomiting occurs, keep head lower than hips to help prevent aspiration. If person is unconscious, turn head to side. Get medical attention immediately.

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN:** For inhalation, consider oxygen. For ingestion, consider esophagoscopy. Avoid gastric lavage.

#### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS: Severe fire hazard.

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** regular dry chemical, dry sand, lime, soda ash

Large fires: Flood with water. Apply water from a protected location or from a safe distance.

**FIRE FIGHTING:** Do not use water. Do not use foam. Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk.

**FLASH POINT:** flammable **AUTOIGNITION:** 250 F (121 C)



#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### **SOIL RELEASE:**

Dig holding area such as lagoon, pond or pit for containment.

#### **WATER RELEASE:**

Add dilute acid.

#### **OCCUPATIONAL RELEASE:**

Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Do not touch spilled material. Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Do not get water directly on material. Small dry spills: Collect material into suitable, loosely covered container for disposal. Move containers away from spill to a safe area. Small liquid spills: Absorb with sand or other non-combustible material. Collect spilled material in appropriate container for disposal. Large spills: Dike for later disposal. Powder spills: Cover with plastic sheet or tarp to minimize spreading and protect from contact with water. Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry. Stay upwind and keep out of low areas. Notify Local Emergency Planning Committee and State Emergency Response Commission for release greater than or equal to RQ (U.S. SARA Section 304). If release occurs in the U.S. and is reportable under CERCLA Section 103, notify the National Response Center at (800)424-8802 (USA) or (202)426-2675 (USA).

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

**STORAGE:** Protect from physical damage. Keep out of water supplies and sewers. Store at room temperature. Store under an inert atmosphere. Store under an oxygen-free liquid (e.g., certain petroleum oils). Keep separated from incompatible substances. Store outside or in a detached building.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

# EXPOSURE LIMITS: SODIUM METAL:

No occupational exposure limits established.

**VENTILATION:** Provide local exhaust ventilation system. Ventilation equipment should be explosion-resistant if explosive concentrations of material are present. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

**EYE PROTECTION:** Wear splash resistant safety goggles with a faceshield. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.

**CLOTHING:** Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing.

**GLOVES:** Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.



e Gas Professionals™ Page 4 of 7

**RESPIRATOR:** Under conditions of frequent use or heavy exposure, respiratory protection may be needed. Respiratory protection is ranked in order from minimum to maximum. Consider warning properties before use

Any particulate respirator equipped with an N95, R95, or P95 filter (including N95, R95, and P95 filtering facepieces) except quarter-mask respirators. The following filters may also be used: N99, R99, P99, N100, R100 or P100.

Any air-purifying full-facepiece respirator equipped with an N95, R95, or P95 filter. The following filters may also be used: N99, R99, P99, N100, R100 or P100.

Any powered, air-purifying respirator with a high-efficiency particulate filter.

Any powered, air-purifying respirator with a tight-fitting facepiece and a high-efficiency particulate filter. Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

## For Unknown Concentrations or Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health -

Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with an auxiliary self-contained breathing apparatus operated in pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

#### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL STATE: solid

**COLOR:** gray **ODOR:** odorless

MOLECULAR WEIGHT: 22.99 MOLECULAR FORMULA: NA BOILING POINT: 1621 F (883 C) MELTING POINT: 208 F (98 C)

VAPOR PRESSURE: 1.23 mmHg @ 400 C

VAPOR DENSITY: Not applicable

SPECIFIC GRAVITY (water=1): 0.9684 @ 20 C

**WATER SOLUBILITY:** reacts violently

**PH:** basic in solution

**VOLATILITY:** Not applicable **ODOR THRESHOLD:** Not available **EVAPORATION RATE:** Not applicable

**COEFFICIENT OF WATER/OIL DISTRIBUTION:** Not available

SOLVENT SOLUBILITY: Insoluble: ether, benzene Decomposes: alcohol

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY



Page 5 of 7

**REACTIVITY:** May ignite on exposure to air. Polymerizes with evolution of heat. Avoid contact with light.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID:** Avoid contact with air. Keep dry. Keep out of water supplies and sewers.

**INCOMPATIBILITIES:** acids, combustible materials, oxidizing materials, reducing agents, halo carbons, halogens, amines, metals, metal oxides, metal salts, bases

#### **HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION:**

Thermal decomposition products: oxides of sodium

**POLYMERIZATION:** Will not polymerize.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## SODIUM METAL: LOCAL EFFECTS:

Corrosive: inhalation, skin, eye, ingestion

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### **ECOTOXICITY DATA:**

FISH TOXICITY: 5000000 ug/L 24 day(s) LETH (Mortality) Ayu (Plecoglossus altivelis)

INVERTEBRATE TOXICITY: 1640000 ug/L 48 hour(s) EC50 (Immobilization) Water flea (Daphnia

magna)

**ALGAL TOXICITY:** 230000 ug/L 1 week(s) (Enzyme) Flagellate euglenoid (Euglena gracilis)

#### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101:

**PROPER SHIPPING NAME:** Sodium

**ID NUMBER:** UN1428

**HAZARD CLASS OR DIVISION: 4.3** 

**PACKING GROUP:** I

**LABELING REQUIREMENTS: 4.3** 

**QUANTITY LIMITATIONS:** 

PASSENGER AIRCRAFT OR RAILCAR: Forbidden







## **CARGO AIRCRAFT ONLY: 15 kg**

## CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS:

SHIPPING NAME: Sodium UN NUMBER: UN1428

**CLASS:** 4.3

PACKING GROUP/CATEGORY: I

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### **U.S. REGULATIONS:**

CERCLA SECTIONS 102a/103 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 302.4):

**SODIUM METAL:** 10 LBS RQ

**SARA TITLE III SECTION 302 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355 Subpart B):** Not regulated.

**SARA TITLE III SECTION 304 EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355 Subpart C):** Not regulated.

SARA TITLE III SARA SECTIONS 311/312 HAZARDOUS CATEGORIES (40 CFR 370 Subparts B

and C):

ACUTE: Yes CHRONIC: No FIRE: Yes

11KE. 168

**REACTIVE:** Yes

SUDDEN RELEASE: Yes

SARA TITLE III SECTION 313 (40 CFR 372.65): Not regulated.

OSHA PROCESS SAFETY (29 CFR 1910.119): Not regulated.

## **STATE REGULATIONS:**

California Proposition 65: Not regulated.

## **CANADIAN REGULATIONS:**

WHMIS CLASSIFICATION: Not determined.

#### NATIONAL INVENTORY STATUS:

**U.S. INVENTORY** (**TSCA**): Listed on inventory.

TSCA 12(b) EXPORT NOTIFICATION: Not listed.

CANADA INVENTORY (DSL/NDSL): Not determined.



#### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

©Copyright 1984-2009 ChemADVISOR, Inc. All rights reserved.

MATHESON TRI-GAS, INC. MAKES NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTIES, GUARANTEES OR REPRESENTATIONS REGARDING THE PRODUCT OR THE INFORMATION HEREIN, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR USE. MATHESON TRI-GAS, INC. SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY, PROPERTY OR OTHER DAMAGES OF ANY NATURE, WHETHER COMPENSATORY, CONSEQUENTIAL, EXEMPLARY, OR OTHERWISE, RESULTING FROM ANY PUBLICATION, USE OR RELIANCE UPON THE INFORMATION HEREIN.