

Safety Data Sheet

FORMULA 2188-F

1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: FORMULA 2188-F

Revised: 3/12/15

Chemical Name: Sodium Hydroxide

Description: Clear liquid with practically no odor.

Recommended Use: Boiler Water Treatment

Restrictions on Use: For industrial use only.

COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

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2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

GHS Classification:

Corrosive to metals - Category 1
Serious eye damage/irritation - Category 1
Skin corrosion/irritation - Category 1C
Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure - Category 1
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Acute toxicity, oral - Category 4

Signal Word: Danger

Symbol(s):



Hazard Statements:

May be corrosive to metals
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
Causes damage to digestive system if swallowed
Causes damage to respiratory system if inhaled
Harmful if swallowed

Precautionary Statements:

Prevention

Keep only in original container. Do not breathe dusts or mists. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash hands, forearms, gloves and contaminated surfaces thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.

Response

Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

Call a POISON CONTROL CENTER or doctor for treatment advice if you feel unwell.

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Immediately call a POISON CONTROL CENTER or doctor for treatment advice.

Specific treatment (see First Aid on SDS or on this label).

Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CONTROL CENTER or doctor for treatment advice.

Storage

Store locked up.

Store in corrosive resistant container with a resistant inner liner.

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

Hazards Not Otherwise Classified: None Known.

Percentages of Components with Unknown Acute Toxicity:

Inhalation: 24%

3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

CHEMICAL INGREDIENTS	CAS NO.*	PERCENT (%)**
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	1310-73-2	19% - 29%

Legend: L=<1%; M=1-10%; H=>10%

* Exposure limit and regulatory information in Sections 8 & 15

** Exact percentage is a trade secret. Concentration range is provided to assist users in providing appropriate protections.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact: Immediately flush eyes with a directed stream of cool, clear water for at least 30 minutes. Forcibly holding eyelids apart to ensure complete irrigation of all eye and lid tissues. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Do not allow individual to rub their eyes. Get medical attention urgently, preferably from an ophthalmologist. Do not transport the victim until the recommended flushing period is completed, unless a portable emergency eye wash bottle is immediately available.

Skin Contact: Immediately wash skin with soap and plenty of water while removing contaminated clothing, for at least 15-20 minutes. Call a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice. Do not take contaminated clothing home to be laundered. Shoes and other leather items which cannot be decontaminated should be disposed of properly. Suitable emergency safety shower facility should be immediately available.

Inhalation: Remove victim to fresh air. If individual experiences nausea, headache, dizziness, has difficulty in breathing or is cyanotic, seek medical attention. If not breathing, give artificial respiration via a suitable mechanical device such as a bag and mask. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

Ingestion: Do not induce vomiting. Rinse mouth with copious quantities of water first and get immediate medical attention. Drink several glasses of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If vomiting occurs, keep airways clear.

Note to Physician: There is no specific antidote. Treatment of overexposure should be directed at the control of symptoms and the clinical condition of the patient. Aspiration may cause lung damage. Probable mucosal damage may contraindicate the use of gastric lavage.

Most Important Symptoms/Effects:

Eye Contact: May cause severe irritation or burns. Prolonged contact may cause irreversible damage and/or blindness.

Skin Contact: Prolonged contact may cause severe irritation or burns. Severity is generally determined by concentration of solution and duration of contact.

Inhalation: Inhalation of vapor or mist can cause severe irritation of nose, throat, and lungs. May cause damage to the upper respiratory tract and lungs under severe conditions.

Ingestion: May be toxic. May cause severe burns or complete perforation of the tissues of the mouth, throat, esophagus and stomach. Large amounts can result in acute toxic effects which may be fatal.

Indication of Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment, if Necessary:

Other than acute, none known. See section 11 for toxicological information.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable (and Unsuitable) Extinguishing Media: Any media suitable for the surrounding fire.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical: Product is corrosive to eyes, skin, and respiratory system. Closed containers may rupture (due to buildup of pressure) when exposed to extreme heat. If evaporated to dryness, some product residuals may burn. Contact with some metals may generate explosive hydrogen gas. Thermal decomposition may release oxides of sodium.

Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-Fighters: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full turn-out gear. Approach fire from upwind direction. If possible, move containers away from fire. Cool fire exposed containers with water spray. If containers rupture or leak, product may evolve irritating or toxic gas under extreme heat. Contain runoff.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Spill Containment and Clean-up Instructions:

Wear suitable protective equipment found in section 8. Small spill may be absorbed in sawdust or other suitable absorbent. Larger spills should be diked to prevent runoff and the material pumped into a suitable container. The area may then be flushed with copious quantities of water. Sweepings constitute a hazardous waste and must be disposed of accordingly. Avoid release of this product into the environment to prevent contamination of soil, sewers, natural waterways and/or groundwater. See Section 12 for Ecological Information.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling and Storage: When diluting with water, always add product slowly to water and not water to product which could result in excessive heat generation, dangerous boiling, and spattering.

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, between 10°C and 49°C. Keep containers tightly closed when not in use and follow all recommended safety precautions when handling the material. Keep out of sun and away from heat or open flame. Keep away from incompatible materials. See Section 10 for incompatible materials.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROL / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Controls: General ventilation satisfactory. Mechanical may be required to keep concentration below maximum airborne exposure limits in confined areas.

PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT

Respiratory: Not normally required unless product is openly handled in confined areas where high concentrations of vapor could occur. Where misting may occur, wear an OSHA/NIOSH approved (or equivalent) half-mask, dust/mist air purifying respirator. Air-purifying respirators should be equipped with organic vapor cartridges.

Eyes and Face: Chemical splash goggles or face shield/goggle combination

Hands and Skin: Chemical resistant rubber, neoprene latex or PVC

Other Protective Equipment: Eyewash station and safety shower in area of use. Rubber apron and boots are also recommended where workers will be handling the product.

EXPOSURE GUIDELINES**Exposure Limits:**

COMPONENT	TLV
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	2mg/m ³ /15M

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance and Odor:	Clear liquid with practically no odor.		
Odor Threshold:	N.D.	Vapor Pressure:	13 @60°C
pH (undiluted):	> 13.5	Vapor Density:	N.A.
Freeze Point:	< 2°C (35°F)	Specific Gravity(@22°C):	1.266 - 1.274
Boiling Point:	> 100°C (212°F)	Solubility in Water:	Complete
Flash Point:	None	Partition Coefficient:	N.D. (n-octanol/water)
		Auto-Ignition Temperature:	N.D.
Evaporation Rate:	~1	Decomposition Temperature:	N.D.
Flammability (solid, gas):	No	Viscosity:	N.D.
Flammable Limits in Air:	LFL – N.A.		
	UFL – N.A.		

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity: Highly reactive to incompatible materials. Slowly attacks glass at room temperature.

Chemical Stability: Stable under normal conditions

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions: Will not occur under normal conditions.

Conditions to Avoid: Avoid water, excessive heat, sparks or open flames.

Incompatible Materials: Contact with water, concentrated acids or oxidizing agents may result in violent reactions. Contact with aluminum, tin or zinc, or alloys containing these metals should be avoided.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Thermal decomposition may release oxides of sodium.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ingestion Testing: Rat, LD50: 1,250 mg/kg*

Skin Testing: Rabbit, LD50: > 5,000 mg/kg*

Inhalation Testing: None established for this product.

*Calculated based on GHS acute toxicity formula.

CHRONIC TOXICITY DATA

Sensitization Testing: None established for this product.

Other Testing: None established for this product.

Routes of Exposure: Eyes, Ingestion, Inhalation, Skin.

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Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure: Asthma, bronchitis, emphysema and other lung diseases and chronic nose, sinus and throat conditions. Skin irritation may be aggravated in individuals with existing skin disorders.

Chronic Effects from Repeated Overexposure: Corrosive to all body tissues to which it comes in contact. The chronic local effect may consist of multiple areas of superficial destruction of the skin or primary dermatitis. Similarly, inhalation of the dust or mist may result in varying degrees of irritation or damage to the upper respiratory tract tissues and an increased susceptibility to respiratory illness.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Aquatic Toxicity Data:

Invertebrate: Daphnia magna, EC50/48hr: 167 mg/l*

Fish: Rainbow trout, LC50/96hr: 413 mg/l*

*Calculated based on GHS acute aquatic toxicity formula.

Product Fate Data: Degrades readily by reacting with natural carbon dioxide in the air.

Biodegradation Data: Does not bioaccumulate.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal: Dispose of in accordance with local, regional, national and international regulations.

Contact the Hazardous Waste representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.

Container Disposal: Triple rinse container (or equivalent) promptly after emptying and offer for reconditioning if appropriate. Empty the rinsate into application equipment or a mix tank or store rinsate for later use or disposal.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) INFORMATION

UN/NA ID Number: UN1824

Proper Shipping Name: SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

Hazard Class: 8

Packing Group: PGII

VESSEL TRANSPORT (IMO/IMDG)

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Hazard Class: 8

Packing Group: PGII

Marine Pollutant: No

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

US FEDERAL REGULATIONS

TSCA: All ingredients listed or exempt from listing.

CERCLA and/or SARA RQ: N.A

SARA Section 302 Hazard Class: N.A

SARA Section 311/312 Chemicals:

Acute Health Hazard: Yes

Chronic Health Hazard: No

Fire Hazard: No

Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard: No

Reactive Hazard: Yes

SARA Section 313 Chemicals: Not Listed

STATE REGULATIONS

This product does not contain any ingredients known to the State of California to cause cancer.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

HAZARD RATING SUMMARY

Hazard Rating System:	NFPA	CODE TRANSLATION
Health:	3	0 = Minimal Hazard
Flammability:	0	1 = Slight Hazard
Reactivity:	1	2 = Moderate Hazard
Special:		3 = Severe Hazard
		4 = Extreme Hazard

Other Precautions: This product has been designed for use in specific types of boiler water systems and should be used only in accordance with the instructions provided by the technical representative servicing the facility. It may not be used for the treatment of potable water. This product contains only ingredients approved by the FDA for use in boilers where steam can contact food or other edible products. This product is USDA acceptable.

SDS REVISION SUMMARY

Revised Date	Revision Notes
3/12/15	GHS Version 1.0: Supersedes: 9/15/14

ABBREVIATION CODE SUMMARY

- N.A. – Not Applicable
- N/A – Not Available
- N.D. – Not Determined
- N.E. – None Established

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