

# Material Safety Data Sheet

## Sodium Benzoate

ACC# 20965

### Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Sodium Benzoate

**Catalog Numbers:** S80174, S93353, NC9954256, S224-500, S76783

**Synonyms:** Benzoic acid, sodium salt; Sodium benzoate.

**Company Identification:**

Fisher Scientific

1 Reagent Lane

Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

**For information, call:** 201-796-7100

**Emergency Number:** 201-796-7100

**For CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 800-424-9300

**For International CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 703-527-3887

### Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

CAS#	Chemical Name	Percent	EINECS/ELINCS
532-32-1	Sodium benzoate	100	208-534-8

### Section 3 - Hazards Identification

#### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Appearance: white crystalline powder.

**Caution!** May cause eye and skin irritation. May cause respiratory tract irritation. Hygroscopic (absorbs moisture from the air).

**Target Organs:** None.

#### Potential Health Effects

**Eye:** May cause eye irritation. Dust may cause mechanical irritation.

**Skin:** May cause mild skin irritation.

**Ingestion:** Ingestion of large amounts may cause gastrointestinal irritation. The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated.

**Inhalation:** May cause respiratory tract irritation. The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated.

**Chronic:** Adverse reproductive effects have been reported in animals. Repeated or prolonged exposure may cause allergic reactions in sensitive individuals. Repeated ingestion of benzoates can cause a food allergy.

### Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid immediately.

**Skin:** Flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid if irritation develops or persists.

**Ingestion:** If victim is conscious and alert, give 2-4 cupfuls of milk or water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical aid immediately.

**Inhalation:** Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

**Notes to Physician:** Treat symptomatically and supportively.

### Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**General Information:** As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion. This material in sufficient quantity and reduced particle size is capable of creating a dust explosion.

**Extinguishing Media:** In case of fire, use water, dry chemical, chemical foam, or alcohol-resistant foam.

**Flash Point:** Not applicable.

**Autoignition Temperature:** Not applicable.

**Explosion Limits, Lower:** Not available.

**Upper:** Not available.

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 1; Flammability: 1; Instability: 0

### Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**General Information:** Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

**Spills/Leaks:** Vacuum or sweep up material and place into a suitable disposal container. Clean up spills immediately, observing

precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Provide ventilation.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Use with adequate ventilation. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Keep container tightly closed. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

**Storage:** Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances.

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:** Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

### Exposure Limits

Chemical Name	ACGIH	NIOSH	OSHA - Final PELs
Sodium benzoate	none listed	none listed	none listed

**OSHA Vacated PELs:** Sodium benzoate: No OSHA Vacated PELs are listed for this chemical.

### Personal Protective Equipment

**Eyes:** 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:** Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure.

**Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respirators:** 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.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State:** Crystalline powder

**Appearance:** white

**Odor:** odorless

**pH:** ~ 8 (in aqueous soln)

**Vapor Pressure:** Negligible.

**Vapor Density:** Not available.

**Evaporation Rate:** negligible

**Viscosity:** Not applicable.

**Boiling Point:** Not applicable.

**Freezing/Melting Point:** > 300 deg C

**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available.

**Solubility:** Soluble.

**Specific Gravity/Density:** Not available.

**Molecular Formula:** C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na

**Molecular Weight:** 144.11

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable. Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Dust generation, exposure to moist air or water.

**Incompatibilities with Other Materials:** Strong oxidizing agents, acids, ferric salts.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, sodium oxide.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Has not been reported.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### RTECS#:

**CAS#** 532-32-1: DH6650000

### LD50/LC50:

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Oral, mouse: LD50 = 1600 mg/kg;

Oral, rabbit: LD50 = 2 gm/kg;

Oral, rat: LD50 = 4070 mg/kg;

### Carcinogenicity:

CAS# 532-32-1: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

**Epidemiology:** No information available.

**Teratogenicity:** See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

**Reproductive Effects:** No information available.

**Mutagenicity:** See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

**Neurotoxicity:** No information available.

**Other Studies:**

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** No data available. 96-hr. LC50; fathead minnow: GT 1,000 mg/L. 96-hr. LC50; water flea: Gt 1,000 mg/L. 24-hr. LC50; water flea: 1.540 mg/L 24-hr. EC50 (immobilization); water flea: GT 500 mg/L 48-hr. EC50 (immobilization); water flea: GT 650 mg/L

**Environmental:** No information available.

**Physical:** No information available.

**Other:** No information available.

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**RCRA P-Series:** None listed.

**RCRA U-Series:** None listed.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

	US DOT	Canada TDG
<b>Shipping Name:</b>	Not regulated as a hazardous material	No information available.
<b>Hazard Class:</b>		
<b>UN Number:</b>		
<b>Packing Group:</b>		

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

### US FEDERAL

#### TSCA

CAS# 532-32-1 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

#### Health & Safety Reporting List

None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

#### Chemical Test Rules

None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.

#### Section 12b

None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

#### TSCA Significant New Use Rule

None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

#### CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs

None of the chemicals in this material have an RQ.

#### SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

#### Section 313

No chemicals are reportable under Section 313.

#### Clean Air Act:

This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants.

This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depleters.

This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depleters.

#### Clean Water Act:

None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA.

None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Priority Pollutants under the CWA.

None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Toxic Pollutants under the CWA.

#### OSHA:

None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

#### STATE

CAS# 532-32-1 is not present on state lists from CA, PA, MN, MA, FL, or NJ.

#### California Prop 65

California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

### European/International Regulations

#### European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

#### Hazard Symbols:

Not available.

#### Risk Phrases:

#### Safety Phrases:

S 24/25 Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

#### WGK (Water Danger/Protection)

CAS# 532-32-1: 1

#### Canada - DSL/NDSL

CAS# 532-32-1 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

#### Canada - WHMIS

not available.

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all

of the information required by those regulations.

**Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List**

**Section 16 - Additional Information**

**MSDS Creation Date:** 9/22/1998

**Revision #4 Date:** 10/03/2005

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