

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**Product identifier**

**Product code:** S1496  
**Product Name:** SODIUM THIOCYANATE, TECHNICAL

**Other means of identification**

**Synonyms:** Sodium isothiocyanate; Sodium rhodanate; Sodium rhodanide; Sodium sulfocyanate; Sodium sulfocyanide; Thiocyanate sodium

**CAS #:** 540-72-7  
**RTECS #** XL2275000  
**CI#:** Not available

**Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use**

**Recommended use:** No information available.  
**Uses advised against** No information available

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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Classification**

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

Acute toxicity - Oral	Category 4
Acute toxicity - Dermal	Category 4
Acute toxicity - Inhalation (Gases)	Category 4
Acute toxicity - Inhalation (Dusts/Mists)	Category 4
Skin sensitization	Category 1B

**Label elements**

**Warning****Hazard statements**

Harmful if swallowed  
Harmful in contact with skin  
Harmful if inhaled  
May cause an allergic skin reaction

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

Not Applicable

**Other hazards**

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

**Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace

**Precautionary Statements - Response**

Specific measures (see .? on this label)  
Specific treatment (see .? on this label)  
IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell  
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse  
If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention  
IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.  
IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell  
Rinse mouth

**Precautionary Statements - Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Components	CAS-No.	Weight %	Trade Secret
Sodium Thiocyanate 540-72-7	540-72-7	100	*

**4. FIRST AID MEASURES****First aid measures****General Advice:**

Poison information centers in each State capital city can provide additional assistance for scheduled poisons (13 1126)

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

<b>Skin Contact:</b>	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Get medical attention. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact:</b>	Flush eye with water for 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Immediate medical attention is required.

### **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

**Symptoms** Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. May cause allergic skin reaction.

### **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

**Notes to Physician:** Treat symptomatically

### **Protection of first-aiders**

First-Aid Providers: Avoid exposure to blood or body fluids. Wear gloves and other necessary protective clothing. Dispose of contaminated clothing and equipment as bio-hazardous waste

## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

### **Extinguishing Media**

**Suitable Extinguishing Media:** Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Dry chemical. Water spray mist or foam.

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media:** No information available.

### **Specific hazards arising from the chemical**

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Metallic oxides

**Specific hazards:** May be combustible at high temperatures

### **Special Protective Actions for Firefighters**

**Specific Methods:** No information available.

**Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters:** As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

**Personal Precautions:** Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Remove all sources of ignition.

**Environmental precautions** Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent product from entering drains. Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas.

### Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

**Methods for containment** Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Cover with plastic sheet to prevent spreading.

**Methods for cleaning up** Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Clean contaminated surface thoroughly.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for safe handling

**Technical Measures/Precautions:**

Provide sufficient air exchange and/or exhaust in work rooms. Keep away from incompatible materials.

**Safe Handling Advice:**

Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Do not ingest. Do not breathe vapours/dust. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

**Technical Measures/Storage Conditions:**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Store at room temperature in the original container. Store away from incompatible materials. Hygroscopic. Sensitive to light. Store in light-resistant containers.

**Incompatible Materials:**

Acids.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Control parameters

#### National occupational exposure limits

**United States**

Components	OSHA	NIOSH	ACGIH	AIHA WHEEL
Sodium Thiocyanate - 540-72-7	None	None	None	None

**Canada**

Components	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario	Quebec
Sodium Thiocyanate - 540-72-7	None	None	None	None

**Australia and Mexico**

Components	Australia	Mexico
Sodium Thiocyanate 540-72-7	None	None

## Appropriate engineering controls

### Engineering measures to reduce exposure:

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

## Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

### Personal Protective Equipment

<b>Eye protection:</b>	Safety glasses. Safety glasses with side-shields.
<b>Skin and body protection:</b>	Chemical resistant apron. Gloves. Long sleeved clothing.
<b>Respiratory protection:</b>	Effective dust mask. Wear respirator with dust filter..
<b>Hygiene measures:</b>	Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. When using, do not eat, drink or smoke.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Physical state:</b> Solid.	<b>Appearance:</b> Crystalline. Powder.	<b>Color:</b> White.
<b>Odor:</b> Odorless.	<b>Taste</b> No information available	<b>Molecular/Formula weight:</b> 81.07
<b>Formula:</b> NaSCN	<b>Flash point (°C):</b> No data available	<b>Flashpoint (°C/°F):</b> No information available.
<b>Flash Point Tested according to:</b> Not available	<b>Lower Explosion Limit (%):</b> No information available	<b>Upper Explosion Limit (%):</b> No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature (°C/°F):</b> No information available	<b>pH:</b> No information available	<b>Melting point/range(°C/°F):</b> 287°C/548.6°F
<b>Boiling point/range(°C/°F):</b> No information available	<b>Decomposition temperature(°C/°F):</b> No information available	<b>Bulk density:</b> No information available
<b>Specific gravity:</b> 2.9	<b>Vapor pressure @ 20°C (kPa):</b> No information available	<b>Density (g/cm3):</b> No information available
<b>Evaporation rate:</b> No information available	<b>Vapor density:</b> No information available	<b>VOC content (g/L):</b> No information available
<b>Odor threshold (ppm):</b> No information available	<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b> No information available	<b>Viscosity:</b> No information available
<b>Miscibility:</b> No information available	<b>Solubility:</b> Easily soluble in cold water	

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Reactivity**  
Reactive with acids

**Chemical stability**

**Stability:** Sensitive to light. Exposure to light accelerates decomposition. Stable at normal conditions.

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:** Hazardous polymerization does not occur

**Conditions to avoid:** Heat. Incompatible materials. Exposure to light.

**Incompatible Materials:** Acids.

**Hazardous decomposition products:** Metallic oxides.

**Other Information**

**Corrosivity:** No information available

**Special Remarks on Corrosivity:** No information available

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Information on likely routes of exposure**

**Principal Routes of Exposure:**

Ingestion. Inhalation.

**Acute Toxicity**

**Component Information**

*Sodium Thiocyanate - 540-72-7*

**LD50/oral/rat = 232 mg/kg Oral LD50 Rat**

**LD50/oral/mouse = 360 mg/kg Oral LD50 Mouse**

**LD50/dermal/rat = No information available**

**LD50/dermal/rabbit = No information available**

**LC50/inhalation/rat = No information available**

**LC50/inhalation/mouse = No information available**

**Other LD50 or LC50 information = No information available**

**Product Information**

**LD50/oral/rat =**

**VALUE- Acute Tox Oral = 232mg/kg**

**LD50/oral/mouse =**

**Value - Acute Tox Oral = 360mg/kg**

**LD50/dermal/rabbit**

**VALUE-Acute Tox Dermal = No information available**

**LD50/dermal/rat**

**VALUE -Acute Tox Dermal = No information available**

**LC50/inhalation/rat**

**VALUE-Vapor = No information available**

**VALUE-Gas = No information available**

**VALUE-Dust/Mist = No information available**

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**LC50/Inhalation/mouse****VALUE-Vapor** = No information available**VALUE - Gas** = No information available**VALUE - Dust/Mist** = No information available**Symptoms****Skin Contact:** Harmful in contact with skin. Causes skin irritation. May cause allergic skin reaction.**Eye Contact:** May cause eye irritation.**Inhalation** Harmful by inhalation.**Ingestion** Harmful if swallowed. May cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, anorexia. May affect behavior/central nervous system/nervous system (convulsions/seizures, excitement, weakness, disorientation, mania, hallucinations, wmuscle contraction or spasticity, tremor, flaccid paralysis, coma), respiration (dyspnea, apnea), cardiovascular system (hypotension), blood (anemia), urinary system (anuria, albuminuria).**Aspiration hazard** No information available**Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure****Chronic Toxicity** Prolonged or repeated ingestion may cause weight loss. It may affect the thyroid. Thiocyanates interfere with the uptake of iodine by the thyroid and result in a goiter.**Sensitization:** No information available**Mutagenic Effects:** No information available**Carcinogenic effects:** Not considered carcinogenic

Components	ACGIH - Carcinogens	IARC	NTP	OSHA HCS - Carcinogens	Australia - Prohibited Carcinogenic Substances	Australia - Notifiable Carcinogenic Substances
Sodium Thiocyanate	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Reproductive toxicity** No data is available**Reproductive Effects:** No information available**Developmental Effects:** No information available**Teratogenic Effects:** No information available**Specific Target Organ Toxicity****STOT - single exposure** No information available**STOT - repeated exposure** No information available**Target Organs:** No information available**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Ecotoxicity****Ecotoxicity effects:** No data available.

**Persistence and degradability:** No information available  
**Bioaccumulative potential:** No information available  
**Mobility:** No information available

### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### Disposal Methods

**Waste from residues / unused products:**

Waste must be disposed of in accordance with Federal, State and Local regulation.

**Contaminated packaging:**

Empty containers should be taken for local recycling, recovery or waste disposal

Components	RCRA - F Series Wastes	RCRA - K Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes	RCRA - U Series Wastes
Sodium Thiocyanate	None	None	None	None

### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**DOT**

**UN-No:** Not Regulated  
**Proper Shipping Name:** No information available  
**Hazard Class:** No information available  
**Subsidiary Risk:** No information available  
**Packing Group:** None  
**ERG No:** No information available  
**Marine Pollutant:** No data available  
**DOT RQ (lbs):** No information available

**TDG (Canada)**

**UN-No:** Not Regulated  
**Proper Shipping Name:** No information available  
**Hazard Class:** No information available  
**Subsidiary Risk:** No information available  
**Packing Group:** No information available  
**Description:** No information available

**ADR**

**UN-No:** Not Regulated  
**Proper Shipping Name:** No information available  
**Hazard Class:** No information available  
**Packing Group:** No information available  
**Subsidiary Risk:** No information available  
**Classification Code:** No information available  
**Description:** No information available  
**CEFIC Tremcard No:** No information available

**IMO / IMDG**

**UN-No:** Not Regulated

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**Proper Shipping Name:** No information available  
**Hazard Class:** No information available  
**Subsidiary Risk:** No information available  
**Packing Group:** No information available  
**Description:** No information available  
**IMDG Page:** No information available  
**Marine Pollutant** No information available  
**MFAG:** No information available  
**Maximum Quantity:** No information available

### RID

**UN-No:** Not Regulated  
**Proper Shipping Name:** No information available  
**Hazard Class:** No information available  
**Subsidiary Risk:** No information available  
**Packing Group:** No information available  
**Classification Code:** No information available  
**Description:** No information available

### ICAO

**UN-No:** Not Regulated  
**Proper Shipping Name:** No information available  
**Hazard Class:** No information available  
**Subsidiary Risk:** No information available  
**Packing Group:** No information available  
**Description:** No information available

### IATA

**UN-No:** Not Regulated  
**Proper Shipping Name:** No information available  
**Hazard Class:** No information available  
**Subsidiary Risk:** No information available  
**Packing Group:** No information available  
**Description:** No information available

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### International Inventories

Components	U.S. TSCA	KOREA KECL	Philippines (PICCS)	Japan ENCS	CHINA	Australia (AICS)	EINECS-No.
<i>Sodium Thiocyanate</i>	Present	Present KE-31631	Present	Present (1)-160	Present	Present	Present 208-754-4

### U.S. Regulations

#### California Prop. 65: Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986.

##### Chemicals Known to the State of California to Cause Cancer:

This product does not contain a chemical requiring a warning under California Prop. 65. (See table below)

##### Chemicals Known to the State of California to Cause Reproductive Toxicity:

This product does not contain a chemical requiring a warning under California Prop. 65. (See table below)

Components	Carcinogen	Developmental Toxicity	Male Reproductive Toxicity	Female Reproductive Toxicity:
Sodium Thiocyanate	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed

## CERCLA/SARA

Components	CERCLA - Hazardous Substances and their Reportable Quantities	Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances and TPQs	Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances and RQs	Section 313 - Chemical Category	Section 313 - Reporting <i>de minimis</i>
Sodium Thiocyanate	None	None	None	None	None

## U.S. TSCA

Components	TSCA Section 5(a)2 - Chemicals With Significant New Use Rules (SNURS)	TSCA 8(d) -Health and Safety Reporting
Sodium Thiocyanate	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

## Canada

### WHMIS hazard class:

Non-controlled

### Sodium Thiocyanate

Uncontrolled product according to WHMIS classification criteria

### Canada Controlled Products Regulation:

This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the CPR (Controlled Products Regulation) and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

## Inventory

Components	Canada (DSL)	Canada (NDSL)
Sodium Thiocyanate	Present	Not Listed

Components	CEPA Schedule I - Toxic Substances	CEPA - 2010 Greenhouse Gases Subject to Mandatory Reporting
Sodium Thiocyanate	Not listed	Not listed

## EU Classification

### R-phrase(s)

not determined (not applicable)

### S -phrase(s)

none

Components	Classification	Concentration Limits:	Safety Phrases
Sodium Thiocyanate		No information	

The product is classified in accordance with Annex VI to Directive 67/548/EEC

### Indication of danger:

None.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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