# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**



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## Section 1: Identification

**Product identifier** 

Product Name SODIUM THIOCYANATE

Product Code(s) 000032049801

Other means of identification

**CAS No.** 540-72-7

**Synonyms** Rhodanate; Sodium sulphocyanide; Thiocyanic acid, sodium salt; Sodium rhodanide.

Pure substance/mixture Substance

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use General chemical.

**Uses advised against** No information available.

Details of manufacturer or importer

Supplier

Ixom Operations Pty Ltd ABN: 51 600 546 512 Level 8, 1 Nicholson Street Melbourne 3000

Australia

Telephone Number: +61 3 9906 3000

### Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone number 1 800 033 111 (ALL HOURS)

Please ensure you refer to the limitations of this Safety Data Sheet as set out in the "Other Information" section at the end of this Data Sheet.

## Section 2: Hazard identification

Classified as a hazardous substance in accordance with the criteria of Safe Work Australia - Globally Harmonized System (GHS). Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code) for transport by Road and Rail: NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

#### **GHS Classification**

Acute toxicity - Oral	Category 4
Acute toxicity - Dermal	Category 4
Acute toxicity - Inhalation (Dusts/Mists)	Category 4
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2

#### Label elements

**Exclamation mark** 



#### Signal word WARNING

#### **Hazard statements**

H302 - Harmful if swallowed

H312 - Harmful in contact with skin

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H332 - Harmful if inhaled

### **Precautionary Statements - Prevention**

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling.

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

Wear protective gloves/clothing and eye/face protection.

### **Precautionary Statements - Response**

Specific treatment (see First aid on this SDS).

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.

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 INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep 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 in accordance with local, regional, national, and international regulations as applicable.

#### Other hazards which do not result in classification

Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas.

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

# Section 3: Composition and information on ingredients

Chemical name	CAS No.	Weight-%
Sodium thiocyanate	540-72-7	<=100%

### Section 4: First aid measures

## **Description of first aid measures**

General advice For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (e.g. phone Australia 13 11 26; New

Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor.

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

breathing is difficult, (trained personnel should) give oxygen. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration. Seek immediate medical attention/advice.

Eye contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Do

not rub affected area. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

**Skin contact** Wash skin with soap and water. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.

**Ingestion** Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth

to an unconscious person. Get immediate medical attention.

**Self-protection of the first aider** Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

Use personal protective equipment as required.

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

**Symptoms** May cause redness and tearing of the eyes. Coughing and/ or wheezing. Difficulty in

breathing. Irritation.

Effects of Exposure No information available.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to physicians Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5: Firefighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Unsuitable extinguishing media No information available.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Specific hazards arising from the

chemical

Non-combustible, substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive and/or toxic fumes. In the event of fire and/or explosion do not breathe

fumes. Avoid generation of dust.

Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear.

Use personal protection equipment.

## Section 6: Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. Avoid generation of

dust. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not touch or walk through spilled material. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Wash

thoroughly after handling. Use personal protective equipment as required.

**Other information** Ventilate the area. Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 7 and 8.

For emergency responders

Use personal protection recommended in Section 8. Clear area of all unprotected

personnel.

**Environmental precautions** 

**Environmental precautions** Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent product from entering drains.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Dike far ahead of spill to collect runoff water. Keep out

of drains, sewers, ditches and waterways. Absorb or cover with dry earth, sand or other

non-combustible material and transfer to containers.

Methods for cleaning up

Use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). Carefully shovel or sweep up spilled

material and place in suitable container. Avoid generating dust.

## Section 7: Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this

product. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protection equipment. Wash thoroughly

after handling. Avoid breathing dust or spray mist.

General hygiene considerations Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Regular cleaning of

equipment, work area and clothing is recommended. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product. Handle

in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage Conditions Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect from light.

Protect from moisture. Keep container closed when not in use.

Incompatible materials Acids. Bases. Alcohols. Amines. Ammonia. Amides. Glycols.

## Section 8: Exposure controls and personal protection

Control parameters

**Exposure Limits** No value assigned for this specific material by Safe Work Australia. However, Workplace

Exposure Standard(s) for particulates:

Chemical name	European Union	United Kingdom	Germany DFG
Sodium thiocyanate	-	TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
540-72-7		STEL: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Peak: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
		Sk*	Sk*

Dusts not otherwise classified: 8hr TWA = 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

As published by Safe Work Australia Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants.

TWA - The time-weighted average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over an eight-hour working day, for a five-day working week.

These Workplace Exposure Standards are guides to be used in the control of occupational health hazards. All atmospheric contamination should be kept to as low a level as is workable. These workplace exposure standards should not be used as fine dividing lines between safe and dangerous concentrations of chemicals. They are not a measure of relative toxicity.

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering controls Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Apply technical measures to

comply with the occupational exposure limits.

#### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

The selection of PPE is dependent on a detailed risk assessment. The risk assessment should consider the work situation, the physical form of the chemical, the handling methods, and environmental factors.

OVERALLS, SAFETY SHOES, CHEMICAL GOGGLES, GLOVES, DUST MASK.



Eye/face protection Goggles.

Skin and body protection Wear suitable protective clothing. Apron. Boots. Overalls.

Impervious gloves. Hand protection

Respiratory protection If determined by a risk assessment an inhalation risk exists, wear a dust mask/respirator

meeting the requirements of AS/NZS 1715 and AS/NZS 1716.

**Environmental exposure controls** No information available.

No information available. Thermal hazards

## Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

#### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Solid Physical state **Appearance** Crystalline Color White Odor Odourless

**Odor threshold** No information available

Remarks • Method **Property Values** 

4.8 at 1070 g/L at 20.1°C None known pН No data available pH (as aqueous solution) None known 287°C Melting point / freezing point None known Boiling point / boiling range >400°C None known Flash point Not Applicable None known **Evaporation rate** No data available None known Flammability (solid, gas) No data available None known Flammability Limit in Air None known

Upper flammability or explosive Not Applicable

limits

Lower flammability or explosive Not Applicable

limits

No data available Vapor pressure None known No data available Vapor density None known 1.76 at 20°C Relative density None known Water solubility No data available None known Solubility(ies) Soluble in water None known Partition coefficient No data available None known **Autoignition temperature** Not Applicable None known No data available **Decomposition temperature** None known Kinematic viscosity No data available None known

Dynamic viscosity No data available None known

Other information

## Section 10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

**Reactivity**Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas. Hygroscopic: absorbs moisture or water from

surrounding air.

Chemical stability

Stability Stable.

**Explosion data** 

Sensitivity to mechanical impact None. Sensitivity to static discharge None.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Possibility of hazardous reactions May decompose on exposure to light.

Hazardous polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Conditions to avoid

**Conditions to avoid** Exposure to light. Moisture.

Incompatible materials

Incompatible materials Acids. Bases. Alcohols. Amines. Ammonia. Amides. Glycols.

Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products Carbon oxides. Nitrogen oxides. Sodium oxides. Hydrogen cyanide. Hydrogen sulfide.

Oxides of sulfur.

## Section 11: Toxicological information

Information on likely routes of exposure

Product Information No adverse health effects expected if the chemical is handled in accordance with this Safety

Data Sheet and the chemical label. Symptoms or effects that may arise if the chemical is

mishandled and overexposure occurs are:

**Inhalation** May cause irritation. Harmful by inhalation.

**Eye contact** Causes serious eye irritation.

**Skin contact** May cause irritation. Harmful in contact with skin.

Ingestion Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Harmful if

swallowed.

Symptoms May cause redness and tearing of the eyes. Coughing and/ or wheezing. Difficulty in

breathing. Irritation.

### Acute toxicity .

Numerical measures of toxicity - Product Information

Chemical name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Sodium thiocyanate	= 764 mg/kg (Rat)	-	-

See section 16 for terms and abbreviations

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

**Skin corrosion/irritation** No information available.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation Causes serious eye irritation.

**Respiratory or skin sensitization** No information available.

Germ cell mutagenicity No information available.

**Carcinogenicity** No information available.

**Reproductive toxicity**No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** No information available.

**STOT - repeated exposure** No information available.

Aspiration hazard Not classified.

Chronic effects: May cause damage to central nervous system, thyroid, cardiovascular system.

## Section 12: Ecological information

## **Ecotoxicity**

Aquatic ecotoxicity Keep out of waterways. Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Chemical name	Algae/aquatic plants	Fish	Toxicity to microorganisms	Crustacea
Sodium thiocyanate	-	-	-	48h EC50 Daphnia magna (Water flea) = 11
				mg/L

**Terrestrial ecotoxicity** There is no data for this product.

Persistence and degradability

Persistence and degradability No information available.

Bioaccumulative potential

**Bioaccumulation** There is no data for this product.

**Mobility** 

**Mobility** No information available.

Other adverse effects

Other adverse effects No information available.

## Section 13: Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues/unused

products

Refer to Waste Management Authority. Dispose of material through a licensed waste

contractor.

Contaminated packaging Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or

disposal.

See section 8 for more information

## Section 14: Transport information

ADG Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code

(ADG Code) for transport by Road and Rail; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

<u>IATA</u> Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Air Transport

Association (IATA) Dangerous Goods Regulations for transport by air; NON-DANGEROUS

GOODS.

IMDG Not classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the International Maritime Dangerous

Goods Code (IMDG Code) for transport by sea; NON-DANGEROUS GOODS.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

No information available

## Section 15: Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

National regulations

Australia

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See section 8 for national exposure control parameters

### Standard for Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP)

No poisons schedule number allocated

Poison Schedule Number Not applicable

### **Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)**

Contact supplier for inventory compliance status

	Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)	Additional information
Sodium thiocyanate - 540-72-7	Present	-

### **Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents**

This product does not contain any substance(s) on the Illicit Drug Precursors/Reagents list.

### **International Inventories**

AllC This material is listed on the Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals.

NZIOC This material is listed on the New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals.

TSCA

Contact supplier for inventory compliance status.

DSL/NDSL

EINECS/ELINCS

Contact supplier for inventory compliance status.

KECL

Contact supplier for inventory compliance status.

PICCS Contact supplier for inventory compliance status.

### Legend:

### **AIIC- Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals**

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances

**ENCS** - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances

IECSC - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

### **International Regulations**

The Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer Not applicable

The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants Not applicable

The Rotterdam Convention Not applicable

## Section 16: Other information

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Prepared By This Safety Data Sheet has been prepared by Ixom Operations Pty Ltd (Toxicology and

SDS Services).

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**Revision Note:** 

The symbol (\*) in the margin of this SDS indicates that this line has been revised.

### Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

#### Legend

SVHC: Substances of Very High Concern for Authorization:
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative, and Toxic (PBT) Substances
vPvB: Very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative (vPvB) Substances

STOT: Specific Target Organ Toxicity

ATE: Acute Toxicity Estimate LC50: 50% Lethal Concentration

LD50: 50% Lethal Dose

#### Legend Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

TWA TWA (time-weighted average) STEL STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)

Ceiling Maximum limit value \* Skin designation

C Carcinogen

### Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Environmental Protection Agency

Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGL(s))

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals

Food Research Journal

Hazardous Substance Database

International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID)

National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE)

Australia National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)

Australian Industrial Chemicals Introduction Scheme (AICIS)

NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)

National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP)

National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED)

U.S. National Toxicology Program (NTP)

New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Program

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set

World Health Organization

#### **Disclaimer**

This SDS summarises to our best knowledge at the date of issue, the chemical health and safety hazards of the material and general guidance on how to safely handle the material in the workplace. Since Ixom Operations Pty Ltd cannot anticipate or control the conditions under which the product may be used, each user must, prior to usage, assess and control the risks arising from its use of the material.

If clarification or further information is needed, the user should contact their Ixom representative or Ixom Operations Pty Ltd at the contact details on page 1.

Ixom Operations Pty Ltd's responsibility for the material as sold is subject to the terms and conditions of sale, a copy of

which is available upon request.

**End of Safety Data Sheet**