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SECTION 1: Identification

1.1 Product identifier

Trade name **Buffer Solution, pH 5.50**

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses laboratory and analytical use

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency information service ChemTel Inc.: 1-800-255-3924, +01-813-248-0585

SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification acc. to OSHA "Hazard Communication Standard" (29 CFR 1910.1200, Rev. 2024)

Hazard class	Category	Hazard class and category	Hazard statement
Skin corrosion/irritation	3	Skin Irrit. 3	H316

For full text of abbreviations: see SECTION 16.

2.2 Label elements

Labelling acc. to OSHA "Hazard Communication Standard" (29 CFR 1910.1200, Rev. 2024)

- Signal word warning

- Pictograms not required

- Hazard statements
H316 Causes mild skin irritation.

- Precautionary statements
P332+P317 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical help.

2.3 Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Does not contain a PBT-/vPvB-substance at a concentration of $\geq 0.1\%$.

Endocrine disrupting properties

Does not contain an endocrine disruptor (ED) in a concentration of $\geq 0.1\%$.

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SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

Not relevant (mixture)

3.2 Mixtures

Description of the mixture

Name of substance	Identifier	Wt%	Classification acc. to GHS	Pictograms
Water	CAS No 7732-18-5	98.85		
Potassium Acid Phthalate	CAS No 877-24-7	1.021	Acute Tox. 5 / H303	
Sodium hydroxide	CAS No 1310-73-2	0.1152	Met. Corr. 1 / H290 Acute Tox. 4 / H302 Skin Corr. 1A / H314 Eye Dam. 1 / H318 Aquatic Acute 3 / H402	 
Sorbic Acid, 99%	CAS No 110-44-1	0.01	Acute Tox. 5 / H313 Skin Irrit. 2 / H315 Eye Irrit. 2 / H319 Aquatic Acute 3 / H402	

Remarks

For full text of abbreviations: see SECTION 16

SECTION 4: First-aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General notes

Do not leave affected person unattended. Remove victim out of the danger area. Keep affected person warm, still and covered. Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice. In case of unconsciousness place person in the recovery position. Never give anything by mouth.

Following inhalation

If breathing is irregular or stopped, immediately seek medical assistance and start first aid actions. In case of respiratory tract irritation, consult a physician. Provide fresh air.

Following skin contact

Wash with plenty of soap and water.

Following eye contact

Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Irrigate copiously with clean, fresh water for at least 10 minutes, holding the eyelids apart.

Following ingestion

Rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious). Do NOT induce vomiting.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms and effects are not known to date.

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

none

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SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Water spray, Alcohol resistant foam, BC-powder, Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

Unsuitable extinguishing media

Water jet

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Information on this property is not available.

5.3 Advice for firefighters

In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Coordinate firefighting measures to the fire surroundings. Do not allow firefighting water to enter drains or water courses. Collect contaminated firefighting water separately. Fight fire with normal precautions from a reasonable distance.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

For non-emergency personnel

Remove persons to safety.

For emergency responders

Wear breathing apparatus if exposed to vapors/dust/aerosols/gases.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water. Retain contaminated washing water and dispose of it.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Advice on how to contain a spill

Covering of drains

Advice on how to clean up a spill

Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Collect spillage: sawdust, kieselgur (diatomite), sand, universal binder

Appropriate containment techniques

Use of adsorbent materials.

Other information relating to spills and releases

Place in appropriate containers for disposal. Ventilate affected area.

6.4 Reference to other sections

Personal protective equipment: see section 8. Incompatible materials: see section 10. Disposal considerations: see section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Recommendations

Wear impact- and splash-resistant eyewear.

- Measures to prevent fire as well as aerosol and dust generation

Use local and general ventilation. Use only in well-ventilated areas.

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash hands after use. Do not eat, drink and smoke in work areas. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. Never keep food or drink in the vicinity of chemicals. Never place chemicals in con-

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tainers that are normally used for food or drink. Keep away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Control of the effects

Protect against external exposure, such as
heat, high temperatures, light, UV-radiation/sunlight

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

Occupational exposure limit values (Workplace Exposure Limits)

Country	Name of agent	CAS No	Identifier	TWA [ppm]	TWA [mg/m ³]	STEL [ppm]	STEL [mg/m ³]	Ceiling-C [ppm]	Ceiling-C [mg/m ³]	Notation	Source
US	Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	REL						2		NIOSH REL
US	Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	TLV®						2		ACGIH® 2025
US	Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	PEL		2						29 CFR 1910.1000
US	Sodium hydroxide (caustic soda)	1310-73-2	PEL (CA)						2		Cal/OSHA PEL

Notation

Ceiling-C ceiling value is a limit value above which exposure should not occur

STEL short-term exposure limit: a limit value above which exposure should not occur and which is related to a 15-minute period (unless otherwise specified)

TWA time-weighted average (long-term exposure limit): measured or calculated in relation to a reference period of 8 hours time-weighted average (unless otherwise specified)

Relevant DNELs of components

Name of substance	CAS No	Endpoint	Threshold level	Protection goal, route of exposure	Used in	Exposure time
Sorbic Acid, 99%	110-44-1	DNEL	17.63 mg/m ³	Human, inhalatory	Worker (industry)	Chronic - systemic effects
Sorbic Acid, 99%	110-44-1	DNEL	40 mg/kg bw/day	Human, dermal	Worker (industry)	Chronic - systemic effects

Relevant PNECs of components

Name of substance	CAS No	Endpoint	Threshold level	Organism	Environmental compartment	Exposure time
Sorbic Acid, 99%	110-44-1	PNEC	0.129 mg/l	Aquatic organisms	Freshwater	Short-term (single instance)
Sorbic Acid, 99%	110-44-1	PNEC	0.013 mg/l	Aquatic organisms	Marine water	Short-term (single instance)
Sorbic Acid, 99%	110-44-1	PNEC	10 mg/l	Aquatic organisms	Sewage treatment plant (STP)	Short-term (single instance)
Sorbic Acid, 99%	110-44-1	PNEC	0.465 mg/kg	Aquatic organisms	Freshwater sediment	Short-term (single in-

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Relevant PNECs of components						
Name of substance	CAS No	Endpoint	Threshold level	Organism	Environmental compartment	Exposure time
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Sorbic Acid, 99%	110-44-1	PNEC	0.046 mg/kg	Aquatic organisms	Marine sediment	Short-term (single instance)
Sorbic Acid, 99%	110-44-1	PNEC	5 mg/kg	Terrestrial organisms	Soil	Short-term (single instance)

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

General ventilation.

Individual protection measures (personal protective equipment)

Eye/face protection

Wear eye/face protection.

Skin protection

- Hand protection

Wear suitable gloves. Chemical protection gloves are suitable, which are tested according to EN 374. Check leak-tightness/impermeability prior to use. In the case of wanting to use the gloves again, clean them before taking off and air them well. For special purposes, it is recommended to check the resistance to chemicals of the protective gloves mentioned above together with the supplier of these gloves.

- Other protection measures

Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Respiratory protection

In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

Environmental exposure controls

Use appropriate container to avoid environmental contamination. Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Product description: See website or catalog for details.

Physical state	liquid
Color	colorless - clear
Odor	odorless
Melting point/freezing point	0 °C
Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range	100 °C
Evaporation rate	not determined
Flammability	non-combustible
Lower and upper explosion limit	not determined

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Flash point	not determined
Auto-ignition temperature	not determined
Decomposition temperature	not relevant
pH (value)	5
Kinematic viscosity	not determined

Solubility(ies)

Water solubility	miscible in any proportion
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Partition coefficient

Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	this information is not available
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Vapor pressure	23 hPa at 20 °C
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Density and/or relative density

Density	not determined
Relative vapour density	information on this property is not available
Relative density	1 (water = 1)

Particle characteristics	not relevant (liquid)
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SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

Concerning incompatibility: see below "Conditions to avoid" and "Incompatible materials".

10.2 Chemical stability

See below "Conditions to avoid".

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No known hazardous reactions.

10.4 Conditions to avoid

There are no specific conditions known which have to be avoided.

10.5 Incompatible materials

There is no additional information.

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Reasonably anticipated hazardous decomposition products produced as a result of use, storage, spill and heating are not known. Hazardous combustion products: see section 5.

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SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Test data are not available for the complete mixture.

Classification procedure

The method for classification of the mixture is based on ingredients of the mixture (additivity formula).

Classification acc. to OSHA "Hazard Communication Standard" (29 CFR 1910.1200, Rev. 2024)

Acute toxicity

Shall not be classified as acutely toxic.

Acute toxicity estimate (ATE) of components

Name of substance	CAS No	Exposure route	ATE
Potassium Acid Phthalate	877-24-7	Oral	>3,200 mg/kg
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	Oral	325 mg/kg
Sorbic Acid, 99%	110-44-1	Dermal	>2,000 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation

Causes mild skin irritation.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Shall not be classified as seriously damaging to the eye or eye irritant.

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Shall not be classified as a respiratory or skin sensitizer.

Germ cell mutagenicity

Shall not be classified as germ cell mutagenic.

Carcinogenicity

Shall not be classified as carcinogenic.

Reproductive toxicity

Shall not be classified as a reproductive toxicant.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (single exposure).

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (repeated exposure).

Aspiration hazard

Shall not be classified as presenting an aspiration hazard.

11.2 Information on other hazards

There is no additional information.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

Shall not be classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment.

12.2 Persistence and degradability

Data are not available.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

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Data are not available.

12.4 Mobility in soil

Data are not available.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Does not contain a PBT-/vPvB-substance at a concentration of $\geq 0.1\%$.

12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

Does not contain an endocrine disruptor (ED) in a concentration of $\geq 0.1\%$.

12.7 Other adverse effects

Data are not available.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Please consider the relevant national or regional provisions.

SECTION 14: Transport information

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| 14.1 | UN number | not subject to transport regulations |
| 14.2 | UN proper shipping name | not relevant |
| 14.3 | Transport hazard class(es) | none |
| 14.4 | Packing group | not assigned |
| 14.5 | Environmental hazards | non-environmentally hazardous acc. to the dangerous goods regulations |
| 14.6 | Other relevant information
Shipping container markings and labels, received from AquaPhoenix, may vary from the above information. Products that are regulated for transport will be packaged by AquaPhoenix as Dangerous Goods in Excepted Quantities according to IATA, US DOT, and IMDG regulations. AquaPhoenix may also elect to ship certain products as UN 3316 Chemical Kit, Hazard Class 9, Packing Group II or III. In case of reshipment, it is the responsibility of the shipper to determine appropriate labels and markings in accordance with applicable transportation regulations. | |
| 14.7 | Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments
The cargo is not intended to be carried in bulk. | |

Information for each of the UN Model Regulations

Transport of dangerous goods by road or rail (49 CFR US DOT) - Additional information

Not subject to transport regulations.

International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG) - Additional information

Not subject to IMDG.

International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO-IATA/DGR) - Additional information

Not subject to ICAO-IATA.

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question

National regulations (United States)

Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

all ingredients are listed (ACTIVE) or exempt from listing

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Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act (SARA TITLE III)

- The List of Extremely Hazardous Substances and Their Threshold Planning Quantities (EPCRA Section 302, 304)

none of the ingredients are listed

- Specific Toxic Chemical Listings (EPCRA Section 313)

none of the ingredients are listed

Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA)

- List of Hazardous Substances and Reportable Quantities (CERCLA section 102a) (40 CFR 302.4)

Name of substance	CAS No	Remarks	Statutory code	Final RQ pounds (Kg)
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2		1	1000 (454)

Legend

1 "1" indicates that the statutory source is section 311(b)(2) of the Clean Water Act

Clean Air Act

none of the ingredients are listed

Right to Know Hazardous Substance List

- Hazardous Substance List (NJ-RTK)

Name of substance	CAS No	Remarks	Classifications
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2		CO R1

Legend

CO Corrosive

R1 Reactive - First Degree

California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA): Proposition 65 - Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1987

none of the ingredients are listed

Industry or sector specific available guidance(s)

NPCA-HMIS® III

Hazardous Materials Identification System. American Coatings Association.

Category	Rating	Description
Chronic	/	None
Health	0	No significant risk to health
Flammability	0	Material that will not burn under typical fire conditions
Physical hazard	0	Material that is normally stable, even under fire conditions, and will not react with water, polymerize, decompose, condense, or self-react. Non-explosive
Personal protection	-	

NFPA® 704

National Fire Protection Association: Standard System for the Identification of the Hazards of Materials for Emergency Response (United States).

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Category	Degree of hazard	Description
Flammability	0	Material that will not burn under typical fire conditions
Health	0	Material that, under emergency conditions, would offer no hazard beyond that of ordinary combustible material
Instability	0	Material that is normally stable, even under fire conditions
Special hazard		

National inventories

Country	Inventory	Status
AU	AIIC	All ingredients are listed
CA	DSL	All ingredients are listed
CN	IECSC	All ingredients are listed
EU	ECSI	All ingredients are listed
EU	REACH Reg.	Not all ingredients are listed
JP	CSCL-ENCS	All ingredients are listed
KR	KECI	All ingredients are listed
MX	INSQ	All ingredients are listed
NZ	NZIoC	All ingredients are listed
PH	PICCS	All ingredients are listed
TR	CICR	Not all ingredients are listed
TW	TCSI	All ingredients are listed
US	TSCA	All ingredients are listed (ACTIVE)

Legend

AIIC	Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals
CICR	Chemical Inventory and Control Regulation
CSCL-ENCS	List of Existing and New Chemical Substances (CSCL-ENCS)
DSL	Domestic Substances List (DSL)
ECSI	EC Substance Inventory (EINECS, ELINCS, NLP)
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China
INSQ	National Inventory of Chemical Substances
KECI	Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
PICCS	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)
REACH Reg.	REACH registered substances
TCSI	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

Chemical safety assessments for substances in this mixture were not carried out.

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SECTION 16: Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

Abbreviations and acronyms

Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
29 CFR 1910.1000	29 CFR 1910.1000, Tables Z-1, Z-2, Z-3 - Occupational Safety and Health Standards: Toxic and Hazardous Substances (permissible exposure limits)
49 CFR US DOT	49 CFR U.S. Department of Transportation
ACGIH® 2025	From ACGIH®, 2025 TLVs® and BEIs® Book. Copyright 2025. Reprinted with permission. Information on the proper use of the TLVs® and BEIs®: http://www.acgih.org/tlv-bei-guidelines/policies-procedures-presentations/tlv-bei-position-statement
Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Aquatic Acute	Hazardous to the aquatic environment - acute hazard
ATE	Acute Toxicity Estimate
Cal/OSHA PEL	California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA): Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs)
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service (service that maintains the most comprehensive list of chemical substances)
Ceiling-C	Ceiling value
DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (see IATA/DGR)
DNEL	Derived No-Effect Level
ED	Endocrine disruptor
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
ELINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
Eye Dam.	Seriously damaging to the eye
Eye Irrit.	Irritant to the eye
GHS	"Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals" developed by the United Nations
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IATA/DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
Met. Corr.	Substance or mixture corrosive to metals
NIOSH REL	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH): Recommended Exposure Limits (RELs)
NLP	No-Longer Polymer
NPCA-HMIS® III	National Paint and Coatings Association: Hazardous Materials Identification System - HMIS® III, Third Edition
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration (United States)
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PEL	Permissible exposure limit
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
Ppm	Parts per million
RTECS	Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (database of NIOSH with toxicological information)
Skin Corr.	Corrosive to skin

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Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
Skin Irrit.	Irritant to skin
STEL	Short-term exposure limit
TLV®	Threshold Limit Values
TWA	Time-weighted average
VPvB	Very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

Key literature references and sources for data

Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals ("Purple book").
Transport of dangerous goods by road or rail (49 CFR US DOT). International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG).
Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA).

Classification procedure

Physical and chemical properties: The classification is based on tested mixture.
Health hazards, Environmental hazards: The method for classification of the mixture is based on ingredients of the mixture (additivity formula).

List of relevant phrases (code and full text as stated in section 2 and 3)

Code	Text
H290	May be corrosive to metals.
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H303	May be harmful if swallowed.
H313	May be harmful in contact with skin.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H316	Causes mild skin irritation.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H402	Harmful to aquatic life.

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