

# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC.

## Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### Sodium Oxalate

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### SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Sodium oxalate

Synonym: Oxalic acid, sodium salt

CAS#: 62-76-0

### SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

White, crystalline powder. Odorless.

Moderately toxic by ingestion and inhalation. Corrosive to body tissues.

Avoid contact with all body tissues.

#### FLINN AT-A-GLANCE

Health-2

Flammability-0

Reactivity-1

Exposure-2

Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

### SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Rinse mouth. Give large quantities of water for dilution. Call a physician or poison control at once.

### SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable solid.

When heated to decomposition, emits acrid and toxic fumes.

**Fire Fighting Instructions:** Use triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive mode.

#### NFPA CODE

None

established

### SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Restrict unprotected personnel from area. Sweep up, place in sealed bag or container and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

### SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #2. Store with acetates, halides, sulfates, sulfites, thiosulfates and phosphates. Store in a cool dry place. Use and dispense in a hood.

### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and chemical-resistant apron.

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**SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

White, crystalline powder. Odorless.  
Solubility: Soluble in water; not in alcohol.  
Formula:  $\text{Na}_2\text{C}_2\text{O}_4$   
Formula weight: 133.999

Melting point: 250-270 °C (decomposes)  
Specific gravity: 2.34

**SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with oxidizing agents.  
Shelf life: Poor, hygroscopic.

**SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: Corrosive  
Chronic effects: N.A.  
Target organs: Kidneys, nerves

ORL-RAT  $\text{LD}_{50}$ : 11160 mg/kg  
IHL-RAT  $\text{LC}_{50}$ : N.A.  
SKN-RBT  $\text{LD}_{50}$ : N.A.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

**SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Data not yet available.

**SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding.  
Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #26a is one option.

**SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Toxic Solids, Organic, n.o.s.  
Hazard class: 6.1, Keep away from food.  
UN number: UN2811  
N/A = Not applicable

**SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA-listed; EINECS-listed (200-550-3).

**SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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