

## Ammonium Hydroxide

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name:** Ammonium Hydroxide

**Synonyms/Generic Names:** Aqueous ammonia, Ammonia solution

**SDS Number:** 46.00

**Product Use:** For Educational Use Only

**Manufacturer:** Columbus Chemical Industries, Inc.  
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**In Case of Emergency Call:** CHEMTREC - 800-424-9300 or 703-527-3887 (24 Hours/Day, 7 Days/Week)

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**OSHA Hazards:** Toxic by ingestion, Corrosive

**Target Organs:** Mucous membranes, respiratory system, skin, eyes

**Signal Words:** Danger

**Pictograms:**



**GHS Classification:**

Acute toxicity, Oral	Category 4
Skin corrosion	Category 1A
Serious eye damage	Category 1
Acute aquatic toxicity	Category 1

**GHS Label Elements, including precautionary statements:**

**Hazard Statements:**

H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.

**Precautionary Statements:**

P273	Avoid release into the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

**Potential Health Effects**

<b>Eyes</b>	Causes eye burns.
<b>Inhalation</b>	May be harmful if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.
<b>Skin</b>	May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Toxic if swallowed.

**NFPA Ratings**

<b>Health</b>	3
<b>Flammability</b>	0
<b>Reactivity</b>	0
<b>Specific hazard</b>	Not Available

**HMIS Ratings**

<b>Health</b>	3
<b>Fire</b>	0
<b>Reactivity</b>	0
<b>Personal</b>	H

**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Component	Weight %	CAS #	EINECS# / ELINCS#	Formula	Molecular Weight
Ammonium Hydroxide	28-30	1336-21-6	215-647-6	NH <sub>4</sub> OH	35.04 g/mol
Water	Balance	7732-18-5	231-791-2	H <sub>2</sub> O	18.00 g/mol

**4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

<b>Eyes</b>	In case of eye contact, rinse with plenty of water and seek medical attention immediately.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Move casualty to fresh air and keep at rest. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention immediately.
<b>Skin</b>	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and wash using soap. Get medical attention immediately.
<b>Ingestion</b>	<b>Do Not Induce Vomiting!</b> Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If conscious, wash out mouth with water. Get medical attention immediately.

**5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

<b>Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media</b>	Product is not flammable. Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical, carbon dioxide for adjacent fire. Cool containers with water.
<b>Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters</b>	Wear self-contained, approved breathing apparatus and full protective clothing, including eye protection and boots.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	Emits toxic fumes (nitrogen oxides and ammonia) under fire conditions. (See also Stability and Reactivity section).Forms explosive compounds with many heavy metals such as silver, lead, zinc and their halide salts. It can form shock sensitive compounds with halogens, mercury oxide, and silver oxide.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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<b>Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures</b>	See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment.
<b>Environmental precautions</b>	Prevent spillage from entering drains. Any release to the environment may be subject to a federal/national or local reporting requirements.
<b>Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up</b>	Cleanup personnel need personal protection from inhalation and skin/eye contact. Evacuate and ventilate the area. Neutralize spill. Absorb neutralized spill with vermiculite or other inert absorbent material, then place in a suitable container for disposal. Clean surfaces thoroughly with water to remove residual contamination. Dispose of all waste or cleanup materials in accordance with local regulations. Containers, even when empty, will retain residue and vapors.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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### Precautions for safe handling

See section 8 for recommendations on the use of personal protective equipment. Use with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after using. Keep container closed when not in use.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool, dry well ventilated area. Keep away from incompatible materials (see section 10 for incompatibilities). Drains for storage or use areas for this material should have retention basins for pH adjustment and dilution of spills.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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### Occupational Exposure Controls:

Component	Exposure Limits	Basis	Entity
Ammonia	25 ppm 17 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TLV	ACGIH
	35 ppm 24 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL	ACGIH
	50 ppm 35 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	PEL	OSHA
	25 ppm 18 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	REL	NIOSH
	35 ppm 27 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL	NIOSH

TWA: Time Weighted Average over 8 hours of work.

TLV: Threshold Limit Value over 8 hours of work.

REL: Recommended Exposure Limit

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit during x minutes.

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

WEEL: Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels

## Personal Protection

<b>Eyes</b>	Wear chemical safety glasses with a face shield for splash protection.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Provide local exhaust, preferably mechanical. If exposure levels are excessive, use an approved respirator.
<b>Skin</b>	Wear neoprene or rubber gloves, apron and other protective clothing appropriate to the risk of exposure.
<b>Other</b>	Not Available

## Other Recommendations

Provide eyewash stations, quick-drench showers and washing facilities accessible to areas of use and handling. Have supplies and equipment for neutralization and running water available.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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Appearance (physical state, color, etc.)	Clear, colorless liquid
Odor	Ammonia-like
Odor threshold	5 to 50 ppm
pH	Basic, >11
Melting point/freezing point	-60°C (-76°F)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	38-100° (100-212°F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)
Flash point	Not Flammable
Evaporation rate	Not Available
Flammability (solid, gas)	Not Flammable
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limit	Not Explosive
Vapor pressure	Not Available
Vapor density	Not Available
Relative density	0.9 g/ml at 25°C (77°F)
Solubility (ies)	Completely soluble in water
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not Available
Auto-ignition temperature	Not Available
Decomposition temperature	Not Available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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<b>Chemical Stability</b>	Stable
<b>Possibility of Hazardous Reactions</b>	Will not occur.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible materials
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Acrylic acid, chlorosulfonic acid, dimethyl sulfate, fluorine, hydrochloric acid, hydrofluoric acid, hydrogen peroxide, iodine, nitric acid, oleum, propiolactone, propylene oxide, silver nitrate, silver oxide, nitromethane, silver permanganate, sulfuric acid, halogens. Forms explosive compounds with many heavy metals (silver, lead, zinc) and halide salts.
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Nitric oxides and ammonia.

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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### Acute Toxicity

<b>Skin</b>	Not Available
<b>Eyes</b>	Eyes – rabbit – severe eye irritation.
<b>Respiratory</b>	Not Available
<b>Ingestion</b>	LD50 – rat – 350 mg/kg

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### Carcinogenicity

<b>IARC</b>	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
<b>ACGIH</b>	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.
<b>NTP</b>	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
<b>OSHA</b>	No components of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

### Signs & Symptoms of Exposure

<b>Skin</b>	Material is extremely destructive to skin. Burning, irritation.
<b>Eyes</b>	Material is extremely destructive to eyes. Burning, irritation.
<b>Respiratory</b>	Burning sensation, cough, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, and pulmonary edema. Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Material is extremely destructive to esophagus and digestive tract. Burning, irritation.

<b>Chronic Toxicity</b>	Not Available
<b>Teratogenicity</b>	Not Available
<b>Mutagenicity</b>	For bacteria/yeast
<b>Embryotoxicity</b>	Not Available
<b>Specific Target Organ Toxicity</b>	Not Available

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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### Ecotoxicity

<b>Aquatic Vertebrate</b>	LC50: 0.1 ppm 24 hours [Rainbow trout] 8.2 mg/l 96 hours [Fathead minnow] 0.1 ppm 48 hours [Bluegill]
<b>Aquatic Invertebrate</b>	LC50: 32 mg/l 50 hours [Daphnia magna]
<b>Terrestrial</b>	Not Available

<b>Persistence and Degradability</b>	Not Available
<b>Bioaccumulative Potential</b>	Not Available
<b>Mobility in Soil</b>	Not Available
<b>PBT and vPvB Assessment</b>	Not Available
<b>Other Adverse Effects</b>	Not Available

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

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<b>Waste Residues</b>	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary before disposing of waste products or residues.
<b>Product Containers</b>	Users should review their operations in terms of the applicable federal/national or local regulations and consult with appropriate regulatory agencies if necessary before disposing of waste product container.

The information offered in section 13 is for the product as shipped. Use and/or alterations to the product may significantly change the characteristics of the material and alter the waste classification and proper disposal methods.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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US DOT	UN2672. Ammonia Solution, 8, pg III
TDG	UN2672. AMMONIA SOLUTION, 8, pg III
IMDG	UN2672. AMMONIA SOLUTION, 8, pg III
Marine Pollutant	No
IATA/ICAO	UN2672. Ammonia Solution, 8, pg III

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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TSCA Inventory Status	All ingredients are listed on the TSCA inventory.
DSCL (EEC)	All ingredients are listed on the DSCL inventory
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
SARA 302	Not Listed
SARA 304	Not Listed
SARA 311	Ammonium Hydroxide
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SARA 313	Listed: Ammonium Hydroxide
WHMIS Canada	Class E: Corrosive liquid Class D-1B: Material causing other toxic effects (very toxic)

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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Revision	Date
Revision 1	01/28/2013

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