

**SODIUM THIOCYANATE  
CAS NO 540-72-7****MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET  
SDS/MSDS****SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Sodium Thiocyanate

CAS-No. : 540-72-7

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Industrial &amp; for professional use only.

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**Company : Central Drug House (P) Ltd  
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**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302  
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 4), H332  
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4), H312  
Eye irritation (Category 2), H319  
Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 3), H412

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

**2.2 Label elements****Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

Pictogram



Signal word

Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H302 + H312 + H332  
H319Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled  
Causes serious eye irritation.

H412

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)

P273

Avoid release to the environment.

P280  
P305 + P351 + P338

Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing.  
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Supplemental Hazard information (EU)

EUH032 Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas.

### 2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.  
Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas.

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Sodium rhodanide  
Sodium isothiocyanate  
Sodium rhodanate  
Sodium sulfocyanate

Formula : NaSCN  
Molecular weight : 81.07 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 540-72-7  
EC-No. : 208-754-4  
Index-No. : 615-030-00-5

#### Hazardous ingredients according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Component		Classification	Concentration
<b>Sodium thiocyanate</b>			
CAS-No.	540-72-7	Acute Tox. 4; Eye Irrit. 2;	<= 100 %
EC-No.	208-754-4	Aquatic Chronic 3; H302,	
Index-No.	615-030-00-5	H332, H312, H319, H412	

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

#### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

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

No data available

## **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

### **5.1 Extinguishing media**

#### **Suitable extinguishing media**

Dry powder

### **5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Carbon oxides, Sulphur oxides, Sodium oxides

### **5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

### **5.4 Further information**

No data available

## **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

### **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust.

For personal protection see section 8.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

### **6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Do not flush with water. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

For precautions see section 2.2.

### **7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Never allow product to get in contact with water during storage. Do not store near acids.

Light sensitive. Hygroscopic.

Storage class (TRGS 510): Non Combustible Solids

### **7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

### **8.2 Exposure controls**

#### **Appropriate engineering controls**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

#### **Personal protective equipment**

##### **Eye/face protection**

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

**Skin protection**

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

**Body Protection**

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

**Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If th full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

**Control of environmental exposure**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

**SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties****9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

a) Appearance	Form: crystalline Colour: colourless
b) Odour	odourless
c) Odour Threshold	No data available
d) pH	4.8 at 1,070 g/l at 20.1 °C
e) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: 287 °C
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	> 400 °C - OECD Test Guideline 103
g) Flash point	Not applicable
h) Evaporation rate	No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	The product is not flammable. - Flammability (solids)
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
k) Vapour pressure	No data available
l) Vapour density	No data available
m) Relative density	No data available
n) Water solubility	1,000 g/l at 20 °C - OECD Test Guideline 105 - soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available
p) Auto-ignition temperature	No data available
q) Decomposition temperature	No data available
r) Viscosity	No data available
s) Explosive properties	Not explosive
t) Oxidizing properties	The product has been shown not to be oxidizing in a test following Directive 67/548/EEC (Method A17, Oxidizing properties).

## 9.2 Other safety information

No data available

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid moisture.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

acids, Strong bases, Strong oxidizing agents

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, Sulphur oxides, Sodium oxides

Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - 764 mg/kg(Sodium thiocyanate)

Remarks: Behavioral:Convulsions or effect on seizure threshold. Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Dyspnea.

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - reconstructed human epidermis (RhE)(Sodium thiocyanate)

Result: No skin irritation - 5 min

(EPISKIN Human Skin Model Test)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available(Sodium thiocyanate)

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

in vivo assay - Mouse(Sodium thiocyanate)

Result: Does not cause skin sensitisation.

(OECD Test Guideline 429)

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Mouse(Sodium thiocyanate)

lymphocyte

Result: negative

#### Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

#### Reproductive toxicity

No data available(Sodium thiocyanate)

#### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available(Sodium thiocyanate)

#### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

#### Aspiration hazard

No data available(Sodium thiocyanate)

### Additional Information

RTECS: Not available

Nausea, Headache, Vomiting, To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated. (Sodium thiocyanate)

## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 233 mg/l - 96 h (Sodium thiocyanate)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 11 mg/l - 48 h (Sodium thiocyanate)

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No data available

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available (Sodium thiocyanate)

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

### 12.6 Other adverse effects

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

No data available

## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Product

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chem scrubber.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

## SECTION 14: Transport information

### 14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: -

IMDG: -

IATA: -

### 14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: Not dangerous goods

IMDG: Not dangerous goods

IATA: Not dangerous goods

### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: -

IMDG: -

IATA: -

### 14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: -

IMDG: -

IATA: -

### 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no

IMDG Marine pollutant: no

IATA: no

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

No data available

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

This safety datasheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

### 15.2 Chemical safety assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

## SECTION 16: Other information

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

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H312	Harmful in contact with skin.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H332	Harmful if inhaled.

### Further information

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Central Drug House (P) Ltd and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See [www.cdhfinechemical.com](http://www.cdhfinechemical.com) for additional terms and conditions of sale.