
Section 1 — Chemical Product and Company Identification

Calcium Hydroxide

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Section 2 — Composition, Information on Ingredients

Calcium Hydroxide

Synonym: slaked lime, calcium hydrate

CAS#: 1305-62-0

Section 3 — Hazards Identification

White odorless powder.

Toxic by inhalation. Irritant to body tissue. Strong solution is caustic. Avoid all body tissue contact.

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Health-1

Flammability-0

Reactivity-1

Exposure-1

Storage-1

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

Section 4 — First Aid Measures

Call a physician, 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: Immediately flush with fresh water for 15 minutes.

External: Wash continuously with fresh water for 15 minutes.

Internal: Give no more than 1-2 cups of water for dilution. Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control at once.

Section 5 — Fire Fighting Measures

Non-flammable, non-combustible solid.

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 #4. Store with hydroxides, oxides, silicates and carbonates.

Store in a cool dry place. Use and dispense in a hood. Store in a Flinn Chem-Saf Bag.

Section 8 — Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

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

Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire). Exposure guidelines: TWA 5 mg/m³ (OSHA)

Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)**Section 9 — Physical and Chemical Properties**

White odorless powder.
Solubility: Slightly soluble in water. Soluble in acids and some organic liquids. Absorbs CO₂ from air.
pH of water solution (25%) 12.4.

Formula: Ca(OH)₂
Formula Weight: 74.10
Specific Gravity: 2.34
Melting Point: loses water at 580 C

Section 10 — Stability and Reactivity

Avoid contact with strong acids, maleic anhydride, and nitro compounds.
Shelf life: Fair to poor. Absorbs CO₂ from air.

Section 11 — Toxicological Information

Acute effects: Corrosive
Chronic effects: N.A.
Target organs: N.A.

ORL-RAT LD50: 7340 mg/Kg
IHL-RAT LC50: N.A.
SKN-RBT LD50: 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 consult with state and local regulations.
Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #10 is one option.

Section 14 — Transport Information

Shipping Name: Not regulated
Hazard Class: N/A
UN Number: N/A

N/A = Not applicable

Section 15 — Regulatory Information

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (215-137-3), RCRA code D002.

Section 16 — Other Information

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