

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

### Section 1: IDENTIFICATION

#### SONEX

**Recommended Use:** Hospital and Laboratory Equipment Detergent.  
**Product Code:** 190171 (2x5L), 190171W (2x5L Wide Neck), 190195(15L).

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### Section 2: HAZARDS

#### GHS Classification

Skin Corrosion (Category 1)  
 Metal Corrosion (Category 1)

Signal Word **DANGER**

#### Hazard Statements

H290	May be corrosive to metals
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

#### Precautionary Statements

P234	Keep only in original container
P260	Do not breathe dusts or mists
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after using
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing and eye protection

#### Response Statements

P301 + P330 + P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.
P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTRE or doctor/physician.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

P390	Absorb spillage to prevent material damage
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Storage Statements

P405	Store locked up
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Disposal Statements

P501	Dispose of container as per local regulations
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HSNO Classifications

8.1A	Substances that are corrosive to metals
8.2C	Substances that are corrosive to dermal tissue – UN PGIII
8.3A	Substances that are corrosive to ocular tissue

**Section 3: COMPOSITION INFORMATION**

Ingredient	CAS No	Proportion
Potassium Hydroxide	1310-58-3	<10%.
Ingredients deemed not to be hazardous	Not applicable	To 100%

**Section 4: FIRST AID**

<b>Eye (Contact)</b>	Hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water. Immediately call a Poison Centre or doctor/physician.
<b>Skin (Contact)</b>	Remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water. If skin irritation occurs seek medical advice. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
<b>Inhalation(Breathing)</b>	Remove victim from exposure. Allow patient to assume most comfortable position and keep warm. Oxygen may be administered by qualified personnel if breathing is difficult. Seek medical attention.
<b>Ingestion (Swallowing)</b>	DO NOT induce vomiting. Give water to drink if conscious. For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone 131126) or a doctor/physician.
<b>Advice to Doctor</b>	Treat symptomatically for highly alkaline detergent.
<b>First Aid Facilities</b>	Ensure an eye wash and safety shower is available and ready for use.
<b>Additional Information</b>	No aggravated medical conditions are known to be caused by exposure to this product.

**Section 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURE**

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Solution does not burn. Use extinguishing media suited to the materials that are burning. eg. Dry chemical, CO <sub>2</sub> or water spray.
<b>Hazards From Combustion Products</b>	Carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides and other toxic gases may be produced in the case of fire or during thermal decomposition. Corrosive alkali vapours may be present.

**Precautions For Fire Fighters and Special Protective Equipment**

Fire-fighters must wear full protective clothing including self-contained breathing apparatus and chemical splash suit. Ensure that no spillage enters drains or water courses. Remove from the vicinity containers not involved in the fire.

**Additional Information**

May generate flammable hydrogen gas if in contact with zinc, tin, magnesium or aluminium.

<b>Section 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES</b>
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**Emergency Procedure**

SAA/SNZ HB76: Dangerous Goods – Initial Emergency Response Guide Not Applicable.

**Spills / Clean up**

Clean up personnel should wear full protective clothing. Restrict access until completion of clean up. Then ensure adequate ventilation. Stop leak if safe to do so. Contain spill with absorbent material, such as towelling, sand, vermiculite or other inert material. Prevent spill entering stormwater drains or waterways. Collect and dispose of clean up material according to local regulations. Wash away remnants with copious amounts of cold water to sewer. Clean area by working from the periphery to the centre of spill or from the edge of the room to the centre.

<b>Section 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE</b>
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**Precautions for Safe Handling**

Contact Whiteley Corporation sales representative for advice when using this product for any application other than that outlined on the label or technical bulletin.  
Any non-intended or non-authorized use of this product may result in personal injury or damage to equipment.  
Store product in original container.  
Wash thoroughly after handling product.

**Conditions for Safe Storage**

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area. Keep container tightly sealed. Store below 30°C.

<b>Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROL/PERSONAL PROTECTION</b>
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**National Exposure Standards** – Source: National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003] & New Zealand Workplace Exposure Standards 2002.

<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>CAS No</u>	<u>ES-TWA</u>	<u>ES-STEL</u>
Potassium Hydroxide	1310-58-3	2mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Not available

**Biological Limit Values**

No data available.

**Engineering Controls**

Use only in a well ventilated area.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

Eye/face protection – Safety glasses / face shield / chemical resistant goggles should be worn to prevent eye contact.  
Skin protection – Use Nitrile gloves or similar to prevent skin contact.  
Respiratory protection – Respirator is not usually necessary but if required use a half face filter respirator suitable for organic vapours.

Section 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES			
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<b>Appearance</b>	Slightly hazy pale brown liquid	<b>Odour</b>	Characteristic
<b>Odour Threshold</b>	No data available	<b>pH</b>	>13
<b>Freezing Point</b>	Approx. 0 <sup>o</sup> C	<b>Initial Boiling Point</b>	Approx. 100 <sup>o</sup> C
<b>Boiling Range</b>	No data available	<b>Flash point</b>	No data available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No data available	<b>Flammability</b>	No data available
<b>Upper flammability limit</b>	No data available	<b>Lower flammability limit</b>	No data available
<b>Vapour Pressure</b>	No data available	<b>Vapour Density</b>	No data available
<b>Relative Density</b>	1.070	<b>Solubility</b>	Completely miscible with water
<b>Partition Coefficient: n-octanol/water</b>	No data available	<b>Autoignition temperature</b>	No data available
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	No data available	<b>Viscosity</b>	Approx. 20 cPs

Section 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY	
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<b>Chemical Stability</b>	Product is stable and will not undergo any hazardous reactions under normal conditions of use and storage.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	Avoid high temperatures (store below 30°C).
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Incompatible with aluminium, tin, zinc, magnesium and their alloys. Also incompatible with acid, fertilizers, chlorinating compounds, brominated compounds and nitrated hydrocarbons.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	None known.
<b>Hazardous reactions</b>	May react with aluminium, tin and zinc to produce flammable hydrogen gas.

Section 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION	
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<b>Acute toxicity</b>	No data available.
<b>Skin corrosion/ irritation</b>	Product causes irritation, pain and reddening on skin contact. Serious burns may result if the affected area if product is not removed immediately by thorough washing with water.
<b>Serious eye damage/ irritation</b>	Product causes irritation, pain and reddening on eye contact. Serious, permanent eye damage may result if not treated immediately.
<b>Respiratory or skin sensitisation</b>	No data available.

<b>Germ Cell Mutagenicity</b>	No data available.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	No data available.
<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>	No data available.
<b>Specific Target Organ Toxicity – Single Exposure</b>	No data available.
<b>Specific Target Organ Toxicity – Repeated Exposure</b>	No data available.
<b>Aspiration Hazard</b>	No data available.

**Section 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

<b>Ecotoxicity</b>	No data available.
<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	No data available.
<b>Bioaccumulative potential</b>	No data available.
<b>Mobility in soil</b>	No data available.
<b>Other adverse effects</b>	No data available.

**Section 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

<b>Disposal method</b>	Disposal to sewer is normally recommended with copious amounts of water. Refer to State/Territory Land Waste Management Authorities if applicable. Containers are recyclable and can be disposed of by a licensed waste contractor. Containers can be disposed of to general waste or rinsed thoroughly and recycled.
<b>Special precautions</b>	Suitable for incineration by approved agent.

**Section 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Classified as Dangerous Goods by the criteria of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG Code).

<b>UN Number</b>	1719
<b>UN Proper Shipping Name</b>	Caustic Alkali Liquid N.O.S. (Potassium Hydroxide)
<b>Class and subsidiary risk</b>	8
<b>Packing Group</b>	III
<b>Special precautions for user</b>	Not applicable
<b>Hazchem Code</b>	2R

**Section 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

Poisons Schedule (SUSDP): Schedule 5 - CAUTION

All ingredients are listed in the Australia Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS).

HSNO Approval Code: HSR002526

This document has been produced in accordance with the requirements of the Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling.

**Section 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

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