

## MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Ammonium hydroxide water solution, >14N NH4OH (25-30% as ammonia, NH3)

## Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

MSDS Name: Ammonium hydroxide water solution, >14N NH4OH (25-30% as ammonia, NH3)

Catalog A/3222/21, A/3222/PB17, A/3240/PB15, A/3240/PB17, A/3280/21, A/3280/25,

**Numbers:** A/3280/PB15, A/3280/PB17, A/3285/PB17, A/3290/PB08, A/3290/PB15, A/3295/PB05, A/3320/PB17, A/3360/99, A/3360/PB15, A/3360/PB17, J/9015/08

**Synonyms:** Ammonium hydrate; Ammonia solution; Ammonia water; Aqueous ammonia; Aqua

ammonia.

**Company Identification:** Fisher Scientific UK

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### Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

CAS#	<b>Chemical Name:</b>	%	EINECS#	Hazard Symbols:	Risk Phrases:
7664-41-7	Ammonia	25-30	231-635-3		
7732-18-5	Water	70-75	231-791-2		

Text for R-phrases: see Section 16

Hazard Symbols: C N





Risk Phrases: 34 50

#### **Section 3 - Hazards Identification**

### **EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Causes burns. Very toxic to aquatic organisms.

#### **Potential Health Effects**

**Eye:** Contact with liquid or vapor causes severe burns and possible irreversible eye damage.

Lachrymator (substance which increases the flow of tears).

**Skin:** Causes severe skin irritation. Causes skin burns. May cause deep, penetrating ulcers of the

skin. Contact with the skin may cause staining, inflammation, and thickening of the skin.

**Ingestion:** Harmful if swallowed. May cause severe and permanent damage to the digestive tract.

Causes gastrointestinal tract burns. Causes throat constriction, vomiting, convulsions, and

shock.

Inhalation: Effects may be delayed. Causes severe irritation of upper respiratory tract with coughing,

burns, breathing difficulty, and possible coma.

**Chronic:** Prolonged inhalation may cause respiratory tract inflammation and lung damage. Prolonged

or repeated exposure may cause corneal damage and the development of cataracts and

glaucoma.

#### **Section 4 - First Aid Measures**

Eves: In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes.

Get medical aid immediately.

Skin: In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes

while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid immediately. Wash

clothing before reuse.

If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical aid immediately. If victim is fully Ingestion:

conscious, give a cupful of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious

person.

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is Inhalation:

difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

Notes to After inhalation exposure, observe for 24 to 72 hours as pulmonary edema may be

Physician: delayed.

# **Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures**

#### General Information:

As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool. Contact with metals may evolve flammable hydrogen gas. Containers may explode when heated. Approach fire from upwind to avoid hazardous vapors and toxic decomposition products. Ammonium hydroxide itself is non-combustible. However concentrated ammonia solutions may give off ammonia vapours. Ammonia gas is generally not considered a serious fire or explosion hazard because ammonia/air mixtures are difficult to ignite. A relatively high concentration of ammonia gas must be present in order for ignition to occur. However, a large and intense energy source may cause ignition and/or explosion in a confined space.

### **Extinguishing** Media:

Use extinguishing media most appropriate for the surrounding fire.

# Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

General Information:

Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

Spills/Leaks:

Absorb spill with inert material (e.g. vermiculite, sand or earth), then place in suitable container. Neutralize spill with a weak acid such as vinegar or acetic acid. Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches which lead to waterways. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Provide ventilation. Approach spill from upwind.

# **Section 7 - Handling and Storage**

Handling: Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Keep container tightly closed. Discard contaminated

shoes. Do not breathe vapor. Use only with adequate ventilation.

Storage: Do not store in direct sunlight. Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, wellventilated area away from incompatible substances. Corrosives area. Isolate from oxidizing materials and acids. Walls, floors, shelving, fittings, lighting and ventilation systems in storage area should be made from carbon steel or stainless steel which do not react with

ammonium hydroxide.

## **Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection**

# **Engineering Controls:**

Use process enclosure, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to control airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower.

### **Exposure** Limits

#### CAS# 7664-41-7:

United Kingdom, WEL - TWA: 25 ppm TWA (anhydrous); 18 mg/m3 TWA (anhydrous) United Kingdom, WEL - STEL: 35 ppm STEL (anhydrous); 25 mg/m3 STEL (anhydrous)

United States OSHA: 50 ppm TWA; 35 mg/m3 TWA

Belgium - TWA: 20 ppm TWA; 14 mg/m3 TWA Belgium - STEL: 50 ppm STEL; 36 mg/m3 STEL

France - VME: 10 ppm VME (restrictive limit); 7 mg/m3 VME (restrictive limit) France - VLE: 20 ppm VLCT (restrictive limit); 14 mg/m3 VLCT (restrictive limit)

Japan: 25 ppm OEL; 17 mg/m3 OEL Malaysia: 25 ppm TWA; 17 mg/m3 TWA

Netherlands: 50 ppm STEL; 36 mg/m3 STEL Netherlands: 20 ppm MAC; 14 mg/m3

MAC

Spain: 20 ppm VLA-ED (indicative limit value); 14 mg/m3 VLA-ED (indicative limit

value) Spain: 50 ppm VLA-EC (indicative limit value); 36 mg/m3 VLA-EC

(indicative limit value)

CAS# 7732-18-5:

## **Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eyes:** Wear chemical splash goggles and face shield. **Skin:** Wear appropriate gloves to prevent skin exposure.

**Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respirators: Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN

149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure

limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State: Liquid

Color: colorless

**Odor:** strong odor - ammonia-like

**pH:** 13.6

Vapor Pressure: 557 mm Hg @ 21 deg C

Viscosity: Not available

Boiling Point: 27 deg C ( 80.60°F)

Freezing/Melting Point: -69 deg C ( -92.20°F)

Autoignition Temperature: Not applicable

Explosion Limits: Lower: Not available

Flash Point: Not available

Explosion Limits: Upper: Not available

**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available

Solubility in water: Soluble

Specific Gravity/Density: 0.89
Molecular Formula: NH4OH
Molecular Weight: 35.04

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### **Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity**

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal temperatures and pressures. Ammonium hydroxide is

actually a solution of ammonia in water. Therefore the flammable properties

of ammonia apply.

**Conditions to Avoid:** High temperatures, confined spaces, Ammonia solutions are corrosive to

copper, zinc, aluminum and their alloys...

**Incompatibilities with Other Materials** 

Strong oxidizing agents, acids, acrolein, halogens, mercury, hypochlorite,

silver nitrate, acrylic acid, dimethyl sulfate, silver oxide.

**Hazardous** 

Nitrogen oxides (NOx) and ammonia (NH3). **Decomposition Products** 

**Hazardous Polymerization** 

# Section 11 - Toxicological Information

CAS# 1336-21-6: BQ9625000 RTECS#:

CAS# 7664-41-7: BO0875000 CAS# 7732-18-5: ZC0110000

Will not occur.

RTECS: LD50/LC50:

**CAS# 1336-21-6:** Draize test, rabbit, eye: 250 ug Severe;

Draize test, rabbit, eye: 44 ug Severe;

Oral, rat: LD50 = 350 mg/kg;

RTECS:

**CAS# 7664-41-7:** Inhalation, mouse: LC50 = 4230 ppm/1H;

Inhalation, mouse: LC50 = 4600 mg/m3/2H; Inhalation, rabbit: LC50 = 7 gm/m3/1H; Inhalation, rat: LC50 = 2000 ppm/4H; Inhalation, rat: LC50 = 18600 mg/m3/5M; Inhalation, rat: LC50 = 7040 mg/m3/30M; Skin, rat: LD50 = 112000 mg/m3/15M; Skin, rat: LD50 = 71900 mg/m3/30M; Skin, rat:  $LD50 = 4840 \text{ mg/m} \frac{3}{60}\text{M}$ ;

RTECS:

**CAS# 7732-18-5:** Oral, rat: LD50 = >90 mL/kg;

Carcinogenicity: Ammonium hydroxide - Not listed as a carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

Ammonia - Not listed as a carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65. Water - Not listed as a carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

Other: See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

### **Section 12 - Ecological Information**

**Ecotoxicity:** Fish: Rainbow trout: LC50 = 0.008 mg/L; 24 Hr.; Unspecified

Fish: Fathead Minnow: LC50 = 8.2 mg/L; 96 Hr.; Unspecified

Fish: Bluegill/Sunfish: LC50 = 0.024-0.093 mg/L; 48 Hr.; Unspecified

Water flea Daphnia: EC50 = 0.66 mg/L; 48 Hr.; 22 degrees C

### Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Products considered hazardous for supply are classified as Special Waste and the disposal of such chemicals is covered by regulations which may vary according to location. Contact a specialist disposal company or the local authority or advice. Empty containers must be decontaminated before returning for recycling.

# **Section 14 - Transport Information**

	IATA	IMO	RID/ADR
Shipping Name:	AMMONIA SOLUTION	AMMONIA SOLUTION	AMMONIA SOLUTION
Hazard Class:	8	8	8
UN Number:	2672	2672	2672
Packing Group:	III	III	III

USA RQ: CAS# 1336-21-6: 1000 lb final RQ; 454 kg final RQ USA RQ: CAS# 7664-41-7: 100 lb final RQ; 45.4 kg final RQ

# **Section 15 - Regulatory Information**

# **European/International Regulations**

European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

Hazard Symbols: C N

Risk Phrases:

R 34 Causes burns.

R 50 Very toxic to aquatic organisms.

## Safety Phrases:

S 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

S 36/37/39 Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.

S 45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

S 61 Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/safety data sheets.

### WGK (Water Danger/Protection)

CAS# 1336-21-6: 2

CAS# 7664-41-7: 2

CAS# 7732-18-5: Not available

#### Canada

CAS# 1336-21-6 is listed on Canada's DSL List

CAS# 7664-41-7 is listed on Canada's DSL List

CAS# 7732-18-5 is listed on Canada's DSL List

#### **US Federal**

## **TSCA**

CAS# 1336-21-6 is listed on the TSCA

Inventory.

CAS# 7664-41-7 is listed on the TSCA

Inventory.

CAS# 7732-18-5 is listed on the TSCA

Inventory.

#### **Section 16 - Other Information**

#### **Text for R-phrases from Section 2**

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