



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

1.1 Product identifier

Product name GALAXY

Synonyms CHALLENGE GALAXY

1.2 Uses and uses advised against

Uses DEGREASER ● HEAVY DUTY DEGREASER

1.3 Details of the supplier of the product

Supplier name CHALLENGE CHEMICALS AUST.

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1.4 Emergency telephone numbers
Emergency 0414 586 164

# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

CLASSIFIED AS HAZARDOUS ACCORDING TO SAFE WORK AUSTRALIA CRITERIA

# **Physical Hazards**

Not classified as a Physical Hazard

# **Health Hazards**

Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Category 1A

Serious Eye Damage / Eye Irritation: Category 1

### **Environmental Hazards**

Not classified as an Environmental Hazard

# 2.2 GHS Label elements

Signal word DANGER

**Pictograms** 



### **Hazard statements**

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H318 Causes serious eye damage.

**Prevention statements** 

P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P264 Wash thoroughly after handling.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection.

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#### Response statements

P301 + P330 + P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep 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.
P321 Specific treatment is advised - see first aid instructions.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Storage statements

P405 Store locked up.

**Disposal statements** 

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with relevant regulations.

#### 2.3 Other hazards

Ingestion

No information provided.

# 3. COMPOSITION/ INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances / Mixtures

Ingredient	CAS Number	EC Number	Content
SODIUM HYDROXIDE	1310-73-2	215-185-5	10 to 30%
ALKALINE SALT(S)	-	-	1 to 10%
NON HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS	Not Available	Not Available	Remainder

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

Eye If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to

stop by a Poisons Information Centre, a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.

**Inhalation** If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. To protect rescuer, use an Air-line respirator where an inhalation

risk exists. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.

Skin If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water.

Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia Wide) or a doctor (at once). If

swallowed, do not induce vomiting.

**First aid facilities** Eve wash facilities and safety shower should be available.

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

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

## 4.3 Immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

CORROSIVE POISONING TREATMENT: Immediate treatment preferably in a hospital is mandatory. In treating corrosive poisoning, DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING; DO NOT ATTEMPT GASTRIC LAVAGE; and DO NOT ATTEMPT TO NEUTRALISE THE CORROSIVE SUBSTANCE. Vomiting will increase the severity of damage to the oesophagus as the corrosive substance will again come in contact with it. Attempting gastric lavage may result in perforating either the oesophagus or stomach. Immediately dilute the corrosive substance by having the patient drink milk or water. If the trachea has been damaged tracheostamy may be required. For oesophageal burns begin broad-spectrum antibiotics and corticosteroid therapy. Intravenous fluids will be required if oesophageal or gastric damage prevents ingestion of liquids. Long-range therapy will be directed toward preventing or treating oesophageal scars and strictures.

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.

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

Non flammable. May evolve toxic gases if strongly heated.



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#### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Evacuate area and contact emergency services. Toxic gases may be evolved in a fire situation. Remain upwind and notify those downwind of hazard. Wear full protective equipment including Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) when combating fire. Use waterfog to cool intact containers and nearby storage areas.

### 5.4 Hazchem code

2R

2 Fine Water Spray.

R Wear liquid-tight chemical protective clothing and breathing apparatus. Dilute spill and run-off.

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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

Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) as detailed in section 8 of the SDS. Clear area of all unprotected personnel. Ventilate area where possible. Contact emergency services where appropriate.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent product from entering drains and waterways.

#### 6.3 Methods of cleaning up

Contain spillage, then cover / absorb spill with non-combustible absorbent material (vermiculite, sand, or similar), collect and place in suitable containers for reuse, treatment and/or disposal.

#### 6.4 Reference to other sections

See Sections 8 and 13 for exposure controls and disposal.

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Before use carefully read the product label. Use of safe work practices are recommended to avoid eye or skin contact and inhalation. Observe good personal hygiene, including washing hands before eating. Prohibit eating, drinking and smoking in contaminated areas.

## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area, removed from incompatible substances, heat or ignition sources and foodstuffs. Ensure containers are adequately labelled, protected from physical damage and sealed when not in use. Large storage areas should be bunded and have appropriate ventilation systems.

#### 7.3 Specific end uses

No information provided.

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### 8.1 Control parameters

### **Exposure standards**

Ingredient	Reference	TWA		STEL	
mgredient	Reference	ppm	mg/m³	ppm	mg/m³
Sodium hydroxide (peak limitation)	SWA [AUS]		2 (Peak)		

#### **Biological limits**

No biological limit values have been entered for this product.

#### 8.2 Exposure controls

**Engineering controls** 

Avoid inhalation. Use in well ventilated areas. Where an inhalation risk exists, mechanical extraction ventilation is recommended. Maintain vapour levels below the recommended exposure standard.

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**PPE** 

Eye / Face Wear splash-proof goggles. When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear a

faceshield.

**Hands** Wear PVC or rubber gloves.

Body Wear coveralls. When using large quantities or where heavy contamination is likely, wear rubber boots and

a PVC apron. In a laboratory situation, wear a laboratory coat.

**Respiratory** Where an inhalation risk exists, wear a Class P2 (Particulate) respirator.







# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

AppearanceBROWN LIQUIDOdourALKALINE ODOURFlammabilityNON FLAMMABLEFlash pointNOT RELEVANTBoiling pointNOT AVAILABLEMelting pointNOT AVAILABLEEvaporation rateNOT AVAILABLE

**pH** 14

Vapour density NOT AVAILABLE

Relative density 1.20 Solubility (water) SOLUBLE

Vapour pressure **NOT AVAILABLE** Upper explosion limit **NOT RELEVANT** Lower explosion limit NOT RELEVANT Partition coefficient **NOT AVAILABLE Autoignition temperature NOT AVAILABLE NOT AVAILABLE** Decomposition temperature **NOT AVAILABLE Viscosity NOT AVAILABLE Explosive properties** Oxidising properties **NOT AVAILABLE** 

9.2 Other information

**Odour threshold** 

% Volatiles 69 %

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

# 10.1 Reactivity

Carefully review all information provided in sections 10.2 to 10.6.

# 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended conditions of storage.

# 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Polymerization is not expected to occur.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid heat, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Incompatible with oxidising agents (e.g. hypochlorites), acids (e.g. nitric acid), metals, heat and ignition sources.

**NOT AVAILABLE** 

## 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

May evolve toxic gases if heated to decomposition.



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# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity Ingestion may result in severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the

oesophagus and the stomach.

Skin Causes severe burns. Contact may result in irritation, redness, pain, rash, dermatitis and severe burns.

Effects may be delayed.

Eye Causes severe burns. Contact may result in irritation, lacrimation, pain, redness and corneal burns with

possible serious eye damage.

**Sensitisation** Not classified as causing skin or respiratory sensitisation.

Mutagenicity
Not classified as a mutagen.

Carcinogenicity
Not classified as a carcinogen.

**Reproductive** Not classified as a reproductive toxin.

STOT - single
exposure

Over exposure may result in irritation of the nose and throat, coughing and bronchitis. High level exposure
may result in ulceration of the respiratory tract, lung tissue damage, chemical pneumonitis and pulmonary

oedema. Effects may be delayed.

STOT - repeated

Not classified as causing organ damage from repeated exposure. Adverse effects are generally associated

**exposure** with single exposure.

**Aspiration** Not classified as causing aspiration.

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# 12.1 Toxicity

The product is considered to have low aquatic toxicity. When disposed to regulated waste streams no adverse effects are anticipated. Sodium hydroxide may have a harmful effect on the environment due to highly alkaline pH if not disposed of correctly as instructed in 13.1 Waste Treatment Method.

Sodium Hydroxide:

Invertebrate LC50 (48 h) 30 to ≤ 1000 mg/l (ECHA, 2022a)

Fish LC50 (96 h) 35 to 189 mg/l (ECHA, 2022a)

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Surfactants are readily biodegradable.

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Low potential to bioaccumulate.

#### 12.4 Mobility in soil

Soluble in water.

#### 12.5 Other adverse effects

Avoid release to the environment without correct disposal.

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

# 13.1 Waste treatment methods

Waste disposal Neutralise with dilute acid (e.g. 3 mol/L hydrochloric acid) or similar. For small amounts, absorb with sand or

similar and dispose of to an approved landfill site. Contact the manufacturer/supplier for additional information (if required). Primary packaging comprises recyclable HDPE (1L, 25L) and reusable (200L, 400L) IRC contains

1000L) IBC containers.

**Legislation** Dispose of in accordance with relevant local legislation.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### CLASSIFIED AS A DANGEROUS GOOD BY THE CRITERIA OF THE ADG CODE



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	LAND TRANSPORT (ADG)	SEA TRANSPORT (IMDG / IMO)	AIR TRANSPORT (IATA / ICAO)
14.1 UN Number	1719	1719	1719
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S. (contains sodium hydroxide)	CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S. (contains sodium hydroxide)	CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S. (contains sodium hydroxide)
14.3 Transport hazard class	8	8	8
14.4 Packing Group	II	II	II

#### 14.5 Environmental hazards

Not a Marine Pollutant.

# 14.6 Special precautions for user

 Hazchem code
 2R

 GTEPG
 8A1

 EmS
 F-A, S-B

### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

Poison schedule Classified as a Schedule 6 (S6) Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP).

Classifications Safe Work Australia criteria is based on the Globally Harmonised System (GHS) of Classification and

Labelling of Chemicals (GHS Revision 7).

Inventory listings AUSTRALIA: AllC (Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals)

All components are listed on AIIC, or are exempt.

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

#### Additional information

RESPIRATORS: In general the use of respirators should be limited and engineering controls employed to avoid exposure. If respiratory equipment must be worn ensure correct respirator selection and training is undertaken. Remember that some respirators may be extremely uncomfortable when used for long periods. The use of air powered or air supplied respirators should be considered where prolonged or repeated use is necessary.

EXPOSURE STANDARDS - TIME WEIGHTED AVERAGE (TWA) or WES (WORKPLACE EXPOSURE STANDARD) (NZ): Exposure standards are established on the premise of an 8 hour work period of normal intensity, under normal climatic conditions and where a 16 hour break between shifts exists to enable the body to eliminate absorbed contaminants. In the following circumstances, exposure standards must be reduced: Strenuous work conditions; hot, humid climates; high altitude conditions; extended shifts (which increase the exposure period and shorten the period of recuperation).

#### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES:

The recommendation for protective equipment contained within this report is provided as a guide only. Factors such as form of product, method of application, working environment, quantity used, product concentration and the availability of engineering controls should be considered before final selection of personal protective equipment is made.

# **HEALTH EFFECTS FROM EXPOSURE:**

It should be noted that the effects from exposure to this product will depend on several factors including: form of product; frequency and duration of use; quantity used; effectiveness of control measures; protective equipment used and method of application. Given that it is impractical to prepare a report which would encompass all possible scenarios, it is anticipated that users will assess the risks and apply control methods where appropriate.



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Abbreviations ACGIH American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

CAS # Chemical Abstract Service number - used to uniquely identify chemical compounds

CNS Central Nervous System

EC No. EC No - European Community Number

EMS Emergency Schedules (Emergency Procedures for Ships Carrying Dangerous

Goods)

GHS Globally Harmonized System

GTEPG Group Text Emergency Procedure Guide
IARC International Agency for Research on Cancer

LC50 Lethal Concentration, 50% / Median Lethal Concentration

LD50 Lethal Dose, 50% / Median Lethal Dose

mg/m³ Milligrams per Cubic Metre
OEL Occupational Exposure Limit

pH relates to hydrogen ion concentration using a scale of 0 (high acidic) to 14 (highly

alkaline).

ppm Parts Per Million

STEL Short-Term Exposure Limit

STOT-RE Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure)
STOT-SE Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

SUSMP Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons

SWA Safe Work Australia
TLV Threshold Limit Value
TWA Time Weighted Average

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