

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Product: **MEBEC 240**

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-- SECTION 01 - IDENTIFICATION AND INFORMATION --

Product or Trade Name:	MEBEC 240	HMIS	
Chemical Name/Synonym:	PROPRIETARY BLEND	<u>Hazard Rating:</u>	<u>Legend:</u>
Chemical Family:	HIGHLY ALKALINE LIQUID COMPOUND	Health:	3 0 - Least
Formula:	PROPRIETARY	Fire:	0 1 - Slight
Product Code:	F2240	Reactivity:	1 2 - Moderate
			3 - High
			4 - Extreme

Product Description: chelated, low foam, highly caustic solution for bottle wash and metal cleaning.

-- SECTION 02 - PHYSICAL DATA --

Boiling Point:	> 250°F	Solubility in Water:	Complete
Vapor Pressure:	N/A (non-solvent)	Specific Gravity:	1.4 (H ₂ O=1)
Vapor Density:	N/A (non-solvent)	% Volatile by Volume:	Approx. 50%
Appearance:	Clear, water-white liquid	Odor:	Bland
pH neat:	13.8	pH solutions (1% bwv):	13.3 ± 0.2

-- SECTION 03 - HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS --

<u>CHEMICAL NAME</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>% Range</u>	<u>OSHA PEL</u>	<u>ACGIH TLV</u>
*Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	40-50	2 mg/m ³ , Ceiling Value	2 mg/m ³ , Ceiling Value
Inert and/or non-hazardous components	-----	50-60	-----	-----

*Component hazardous according to OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200) or one or more state Right-To-Know lists.

-- SECTION 04 - FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA --

Flash Point:

Extinguishing Media:

Special Fire Fighting Procedures:

-- SECTION 05 - REACTIVITY DATA --

Stability:

Incompatibility:

Hazardous Decomposition Products:

Hazardous Polymerization:

-- SECTION 06 - SPILL, LEAK, AND DISPOSAL PROCEDURES --

Small Spills: Absorb with sand or inert material; scoop up and dispose to proper container. Or, dilute with water and neutralize with spent or mild acid. Flush to sanitary sewer where permissible.

Large Spills: Prevent spread of spill by dyking. Salvage uncontaminated material if possible. Absorb remainder of spill with inert material; scoop up and dispose to proper container. Dilute residue with water and neutralize with spent or mild acid. Flush to sanitary sewer where permissible.

-- ALWAYS DISPOSE OF MATERIAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL CODES FOR THE TYPE OF MATERIAL --

-- SECTION 07 - HEALTH HAZARD DATA --

EYE CONTACT: Corrosive to eye tissue. Causes chemical burns.
SKIN CONTACT: Contact may result in serious skin irritation to serious chemical burns.
INHALATION: Inhalation of mists results in burns of respiratory system.
INGESTION: Harmful if swallowed. Causes severe burns and complete tissue perforation of mucous membranes of the mouth, throat esophagus and stomach.
EFFECTS OF OVEREXPOSURE: Corrosive to all body tissues. Severity of damage and extent of its irreversibility increases with length of contact time and the temperature of product or solution.

-- SECTION 08 - FIRST AID --

EYES: Flush with water for a minimum of 15 minutes (industry safety standard for all materials) while holding eyelids apart. Flushing within seconds of contact is essential in minimizing damage. Seek medical attention if irritation persists. Note to physician: Incidence of contact may cause impairment of vision. Stain for evidence of corneal injury. If burned, instill antibiotic steroid preparation frequently.
SKIN: Flush with water; wash with soap and water after handling. Seek medical attention should irritation persist or in case of severe exposure. Physician: Treat as normal thermal burn.
INHALATION: Remove to fresh air. Seek medical attention for cases of severe exposure.
INGESTION: DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. Administer several glasses of water to drink. Seek medical attention. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If vomiting occurs spontaneously, keep air passages clear. Do not allow aspiration of mists.

-- SECTION 09 - SPECIAL HANDLING INFORMATION --

VENTILATION: Ventilation sufficient to maintain exposure levels in the air below the ceiling value.
RESPIRATORY PROTECTION: NIOSH approved respirator for airborne mist conditions.
PROTECTIVE CLOTHING: Chemical resistant gloves, rubber or neoprene protective clothing. Protection should be commensurate with anticipated exposure to insure that no contact is possible with skin or clothing.
EYE PROTECTION: Tight fitting or chemical workers goggles or face shield.

-- SECTION 10 - REGULATORY AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION --

HANDLING AND STORAGE: Do not breathe vapors or mist. Do not allow contact with eyes, or leave in contact with skin for prolonged periods. Wash contaminated clothing prior to re-use. Do not allow contact with oxidizers. Empty Containers: Do not reuse empty containers for storage of foodstuffs or potable water. For returnable drums or drums set aside for reconditioner, empty drums as completely as possible and fit bungs tightly with undamaged closures. DOT regulations forbid transportation of partially filled and unclosed containers.

DOT: Shipping Information: Corrosive liquids, n.o.s., (potassium hydroxide), 8, NA1760, PG II, ERG - 154 (1996)

TSCA - The ingredients in this material are listed on the TSCA Inventory.
SARA Title III Information (for potassium hydroxide as a component of this material): A) Sections 311/312 - acute, reactive; B) Section 313 - Listed; C) Section 302 - Not Listed as an Extremely Hazardous Substance.
CERCLA Information (for the hazardous components): Listed in Table 302.4 of 40 CFR Part 302 as a hazardous substance with NRC RQs of 1000 lb. Release to land, air or water of MEBEC 240 would be in excess of 250 gallons for total active caustic RQ requirements. Call the National Response Center at 800-424-8802.

Abbreviations Used in this Material Safety Data Sheet: < = Less Than; > = Greater Than; N/A = Not Applicable; N/E = Not Established; N/L = Not Listed; N/D = Not Determined; TWA = Time Weighted Average; STEL = Short Term Exposure Limit; PEL = Permissible Exposure Limit; NIOSH = National Institute of Occupational Safety & Health; OSHA = Occupational Safety & Health Administration; ACGIH = American Conference of Government and Industrial Hygienists; NTP = National Toxicology Program; IARC = International Agency for the Registration of Carcinogens; TSCA = Toxic Substance Control Act; SARA = Superfund Amendment Reauthorization Act; RQs = Reportable Quantities; CERCLA = Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act; NRC = National Response Center; RCRA = Resource Recovery and Conservation Act.
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