



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification of the substance(s)

Product Name: Neutralising Buffer/Polyester/ polystyrene Swab **Product Code:** TS/5-42
Alternative Name: **Revision: 8** **Date:** 08.01.2014
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2. Constitutions

10mls of Neutralising Buffer, Polypropylene outer tube, Pure polyester tipped (polystyrene shaft) swab. Contains biological extracts and chemicals.

3. Hazard identification

Composition/ Information on Hazardous Ingredients

Ingredient Name	CAS No	EC No	Concentration in Product	COSHH Label Requirements	Product Hazard Labels
Sodium Thioglycolate: Symbols: Xn R-Phrases: R22-38 Harmful if swallowed. Irritating to skin	367-51-1	206-696-4	0.2%	≥25%	No
Sodium Thiosulphate: Symbols: Xi R-Phrases: R36, 37, 38 Irritating to skin	10102-17-7	231-867-5	0.3%	≥20%	No

Classification of preparation: Non-hazardous according to Directive 67/548/EEC
May cause mild to moderate eye irritation (eye contact); skin irritation (skin contact); gastrointestinal irritation (ingestion) over prolonged periods. Wash any contact spillages with clean water as soon as possible.

Symbol: N/A.

Chemical characterisation: Cloudy Solution

4. First aid measures

Eye contact: Irrigate thoroughly with sterile water or isotonic saline for at least 10 minutes. In severe cases seek medical attention.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air, rest & keep warm. In severe cases obtain medical attention.

Skin contact: Wash off skin thoroughly with soap and water. If irritation persists, seek medical attention.

Ingestion: Wash out mouth thoroughly with water and give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting. In severe cases obtain medical attention.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Special risks: Combustible. Under special fire conditions, may emit fumes.

Extinguishing media: Use extinguishing media appropriate to surrounding fire conditions.

6. Accidental release measures

Wear appropriate protective clothing (see section 8). Collect the spillage with inert material, then place in a suitable waste container for disposal. Wash site of spillage thoroughly, with water.

7. Handling and storage

Handling: Wear appropriate protective clothing. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Normal laboratory safety procedures should be observed. Handle with care.

Storage: 4-25°C; in dry and ventilated area; protect from light, heat and moisture in tightly closed original container

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Respiratory protection: None required.

Eye protection : Wear safety glasses as needed. Avoid contact with eyes.

Skin protection : Avoid skin contact. Use chemically resistant gloves as needed.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance:	Opaque liquid	Vapour pressure:	Not applicable
Colour:	Colourless	Water Solubility:	Soluble
Odour:	Characteristic sulphur odour	Explosive Properties:	Not applicable
pH:	7.2 ± 0.2	Oxidising Properties:	Not applicable
Melting temperature:	Not applicable	Flash point:	Not applicable
Boiling temperature:	Not applicable	Relative Density:	No data
Density(g/l):	13.4		

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity: The product is supplied in a stable condition. However liquid colour may darken over storage whilst product performance remains unaffected

Decomposition: Carbon monoxide and unidentified organic compounds may be formed during combustion.

11. Toxicological information

Based on the ingredients in this composition and their concentrations, this product is according to the conventional method of EEC directive 88/379/EEC classified as:

Non-hazardous. May cause irritation.

Handle product with care.

RTECS #: WE6660000 (see RTECS database for full toxicological information).

12. Ecological information

No data available.

13. Disposal considerations

Chemical residues are generally classified as special waste, and as such are covered by national regulations that vary according to locality. For advice on disposal, contact your local waste disposal authority, or pass to a chemical disposal company.

14. Transport information

Road: (GGVS, GGVE, ADR, RID) : Non-hazardous for road transport
Air: (IATA, ICAO) : Non-hazardous for air transport
Sea: (IMDG, GGVS) : Non-hazardous for sea transport

15. Regulatory information

Classification packaging/labelling (Directive 88/379/EEC):-

Hazard Symbol : N/A
Risk phrases : R36 – Irritating to eyes;
: R38 – Irritating to skin
Safety phrases : S24 – Avoid contact with skin
: S25 - Avoid contact with eyes
: S26- In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of
water and seek medical advice.
: S36- Wear suitable protective clothing.

16. Other information

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Changes in Section: 9, changed pH specification

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The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all-inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information given in the data sheet does not constitute the user's own assessment of risk as required by Health & Safety legislation currently in force. All chemicals should only be handled by competent personnel within a suitably controlled environment. Technical Service Consultants Limited shall not be held liable for any damage from handling or from contact with the product(s).