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## Foreword

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## Introduction

In respect of potential adverse effects on the quality of water for swimming pools, caused by the product covered by this European Standard:

- a) this European Standard provides no information as to whether the product may be used without restriction in any of the Member States of the EU or EFTA;
- b) it should be noted that, while awaiting the adoption of verifiable European criteria, existing national regulations concerning the use and/or the characteristics of this product remain in force.

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## 1 Scope

This European Standard is applicable to sodium peroxodisulfate used for treatment of water for swimming pools. It describes the characteristics of sodium peroxodisulfate and specifies the requirements and the corresponding test methods for sodium peroxodisulfate. It gives information on its use in swimming pool water treatment. It also determines the rules relating to safe handling and use (see Annex B).

## 2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 12926, *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption — Sodium peroxodisulfate*

## 3 Description

### 3.1 Identification

#### 3.1.1 Chemical name

Sodium peroxodisulfate.

#### 3.1.2 Synonym or common name

Sodium persulfate.

#### 3.1.3 Relative molecular mass

238,11.

#### 3.1.4 Empirical formula

$\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ .

#### 3.1.5 Chemical formula

$\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ .

#### 3.1.6 CAS<sup>1)</sup> Registry Number

7775-27-1.

#### 3.1.7 EINECS<sup>2)</sup> reference

231-892-1.

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1) Chemical Abstracts Service.

2) European INventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.



## **3.2 Commercial form**

Sodium peroxodisulfate is available as a crystalline powder.

## **3.3 Physical properties**

### **3.3.1 Appearance and odour**

The product is a white, odourless, crystalline free-flowing salt.

### **3.3.2 Density**

The bulk density of the product is approximately 1,15 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.

### **3.3.3 Solubility in water**

The solubility of the product in water is approximately:

- 515 g/l at 10 °C;
- 545 g/l at 20 °C;
- 605 g/l at 40 °C;
- 680 g/l at 60 °C.

### **3.3.4 Vapour pressure**

Not applicable.

### **3.3.5 Boiling point at 100 kPa<sup>3)</sup>**

Not applicable.

### **3.3.6 Melting point**

The product decomposes above 65 °C.

### **3.3.7 Specific heat**

Not known.

### **3.3.8 Viscosity (dynamic)**

Not applicable.

### **3.3.9 Critical temperature**

Not applicable.

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3) 100 kPa = 1 bar.

### 3.3.10 Critical pressure

Not applicable.

### 3.3.11 Physical hardness

Not applicable.

## 3.4 Chemical properties

Sodium peroxodisulfate is a powerful oxidising agent.

Sodium peroxodisulfate also serves as a source of radicals.

The standard reduction potential  $E_0$  of sodium peroxodisulfate for the reaction:



is + 2,06 V at 25 °C.

## 4 Purity criteria

### 4.1 General

This European Standard specifies the minimum purity requirements for sodium peroxodisulfate used for the treatment of swimming pools water. Limits are given for impurities commonly present in the product. Depending on the raw material and the manufacturing process other impurities may be present and, if so, this shall be notified to the user and when necessary to relevant authorities.

Users of this product should check the national regulations in order to clarify whether it is of appropriate purity for treatment of swimming pool water, taking into account raw water quality, required dosage, contents of other impurities and additives used in the product not stated in the product standard.

Limits have been given for impurities and chemicals parameters where these are likely to be present in significant quantities from the current production process and raw materials. If the production process or raw materials leads to significant quantities of impurities, by-products or additives being present, this shall be notified to the user.

### 4.2 Composition of commercial product

The commercial product shall contain not less than a mass fraction of 99 % of  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8$ .

### 4.3 Impurities and main by-products

Sodium peroxodisulfate does not contain significant concentrations of impurities or by-products.

### 4.4 Chemical parameters

NOTE For the purpose of this European Standard, "chemical parameters" are those defined in the EU Directive 98/83/EC of 3 November 1998 (see [1]).

The content of chemical parameters shall conform to the requirements specified in Table 1.

**Table 1 — Chemical parameters**

Parameter		Limit	
		(mg/kg) of Na <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	
		Type 1	Type 2
Arsenic (As)	max.	0,05	5
Cadmium (Cd)	max.	0,05	2
Chromium (Cr)	max.	0,5	5
Mercury (Hg)	max.	2	2
Nickel (Ni)	max.	0,2	5
Lead (Pb)	max.	0,05	5
Antimony (Sb)	max.	5	10
Selenium (Se)	max.	5	10

NOTE Cyanide is usually not relevant in a strong oxidising medium. Pesticides and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons are not by-products of the manufacturing process.

## 5 Test methods

The sampling and the analytical methods are those described in EN 12926.

## 6 Labelling - Transportation - Storage

### 6.1 Means of delivery

Sodium peroxodisulfate shall be delivered in polyethylene bags, with net contents of 1 kg to 50 kg or fibre drums with polyethylene linings, with net contents of 1 kg to 100 kg.

Never use paper bags.

In order that the purity of the product is not affected, the means of delivery shall not have been used previously for any different product or it shall have been specially cleaned and prepared before use.

### 6.2 Labelling according to the EU legislation <sup>4)</sup>

The following labelling requirements apply to sodium peroxodisulfate at the date of the publication of this standard:

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4) See [2].

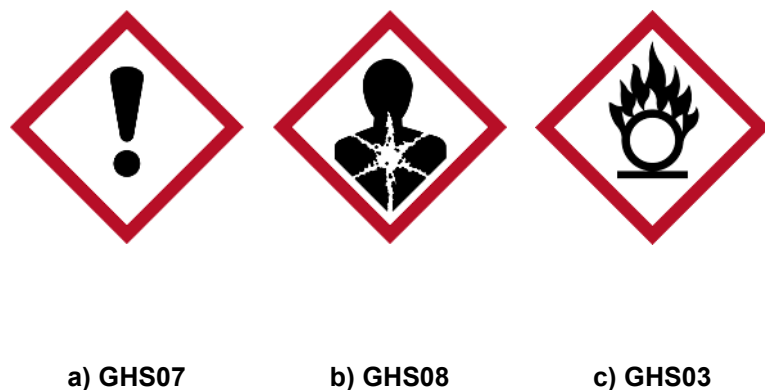


Figure 1 — Hazard pictograms

- Signal word: **Danger**.
- Hazard statements:
  - H272        May intensify fire; oxidiser.
  - H302        Harmful if swallowed.
  - H315        Causes skin irritation.
  - H319        Causes serious eye irritation.
  - H334        May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.
  - H317        May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Precautionary statements ('P statements') should be provided by the company being responsible for the marketing of the substance. They should be indicated on the packaging label and in the extended safety data sheet (eSDS) of the substance.

The regulation [2], and its amendments for the purposes of its adaptation to technical and scientific progress, contains a list of substances classified by the EU. Substances not listed in this regulation should be classified on the basis of their intrinsic properties according to the criteria in the regulation by the person responsible for the marketing of the substance.

### 6.3 Transportation regulations and labelling

Sodium peroxodisulfate is listed as UN Number <sup>5)</sup> 1505

- RID <sup>6)</sup>: Class 5.1, Classification Code O<sub>2</sub>, Packaging Group III;
- ADR <sup>7)</sup>: Class 5.1, Classification Code O<sub>2</sub>, Packaging Group III;
- IMDG <sup>8)</sup>: Class 5.1, Packaging Group III, EmS: F-A, S- Q;
- IATA <sup>9)</sup>: Class 5.1, Packaging Group III.

### 6.4 Marking

The marking shall include the following:

- the name: "sodium peroxodisulfate" and trade name;
- the net mass;

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5) United Nations Number.

6) Regulations concerning International carriage of Dangerous goods by rail.

7) European Agreement concerning the international carriage of Dangerous goods by Road.

8) International Maritime transport of Dangerous Goods.

9) International Air Transport Association.

- the name and address of supplier and/or manufacturer;
- the statement “This product conforms to EN 16381” and type.

## **6.5 Storage**

### **6.5.1 Generals**

The product shall be stored in original packages in a cool and dry place, away from any sources of heat or incompatible materials. For more details about use, see Annex A.

### **6.5.2 Long term stability**

The product is stable with no decrease in active substance for one year, when the product is stored at below 30 °C.

### **6.5.3 Storage incompatibilities**

Avoid heat and moisture (decomposes above 65 °C).

Avoid contact with alkaline or reducing substances.

Avoid contact with oxidisable organic substances and combustible materials.

Keep away from metals and metal compounds (e.g. copper, cobalt, nickel, manganese, iron).

## **Annex A** (informative)

### **General information on sodium peroxodisulfate**

#### **A.1 Origin**

##### **A.1.1 Raw materials**

Sodium peroxodisulfate is manufactured from sodium hydrogen sulfate ( $\text{NaHSO}_4$ ) and sulfuric acid.

##### **A.1.2 Manufacturing process**

It is produced by electrolytic oxidation of  $\text{NaHSO}_4$  in sulfuric acid, following by precipitation.

#### **A.2 Use**

##### **A.2.1 Function**

The product is used to oxidise oxidisable impurities (organic and inorganic) in water.

##### **A.2.2 Form in which it is used**

It is used as delivered, or as an aqueous solution in demineralised water, containing 20 g/l to 200 g/l of sodium peroxodisulfate.

##### **A.2.3 Treatment dose**

A typical dose is 50 g of sodium peroxodisulfate per cubic metre ( $\text{m}^3$ ) of raw water.

##### **A.2.4 Means of application**

The product is usually applied using a metering pump or directly into the swimming pool.

##### **A.2.5 Secondary effects**

Increase of sodium and sulfate content of the treated water. Lowering of the pH value of the water by formation of  $\text{NaHSO}_4$ .

##### **A.2.6 Removal of excess product**

Addition of reducing agents (e.g.  $\text{SO}_2$ ,  $\text{HSO}_3^-$ ,  $\text{S}_2\text{O}_3^{2-}$ ).

## **Annex B** (normative)

### **General rules relating to safety**

#### **B.1 Rules for safe handling and use**

The supplier shall provide current safety instructions.

#### **B.2 Emergency procedures**

##### **B.2.1 First aid**

Wash affected skin area with plenty of water and soap.

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately and thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 min and seek medical advice.

If swallowed, give plenty of water to drink. Seek medical advice.

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. Seek medical advice.

##### **B.2.2 Spillage**

Sweep up into dry plastics containers. Rinse residues away with water. Observe locally valid waste disposal regulations.

##### **B.2.3 Fire**

Extinguish with water or water mist.

## Bibliography

- [1] Council Directive 98/83/EC of 3 November 1998 on the quality of water intended for human consumption
- [2] Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH)





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