



## SAFETY DATA SHEET

PRODUCT

**Water Care - Copper**

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER(S)  
(800) 424-9300 (24 Hours) CHEMTREC

### 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME : **Water Care - Copper**

COMPANY IDENTIFICATION : Nalco Company  
1601 W. Diehl Road  
Naperville, Illinois  
60563-1198

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NFPA 704M/HMIS RATING

HEALTH : 2 / 2 FLAMMABILITY : 1 / 1 INSTABILITY : 0 / 0 OTHER :  
0 = Insignificant 1 = Slight 2 = Moderate 3 = High 4 = Extreme \* = Chronic Health Hazard

### 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Our hazard evaluation has identified the following chemical substance(s) as hazardous. Consult Section 15 for the nature of the hazard(s).

Hazardous Substance(s)	CAS NO	% (w/w)
Sodium Benzotriazole	15217-42-2	30.0 - 60.0

### 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### \*\*EMERGENCY OVERVIEW\*\*

#### WARNING

Irritating to eyes. Harmful if swallowed.  
Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Do not take internally. Use with adequate ventilation. In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Use a mild soap if available.  
Wear suitable protective clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles.  
Not flammable or combustible. May evolve oxides of carbon (CO<sub>x</sub>) under fire conditions. May evolve oxides of nitrogen (NO<sub>x</sub>) under fire conditions.

PRIMARY ROUTES OF EXPOSURE :  
Eye, Skin

HUMAN HEALTH HAZARDS - ACUTE :

EYE CONTACT :  
Can cause moderate to severe irritation.

SKIN CONTACT :  
May cause irritation with prolonged contact.



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INGESTION :  
Harmful if swallowed.

INHALATION :  
Not a likely route of exposure. Repeated or prolonged exposure may irritate the respiratory tract.

AGGRAVATION OF EXISTING CONDITIONS :  
A review of available data does not identify any worsening of existing conditions.

HUMAN HEALTH HAZARDS - CHRONIC :  
No adverse effects expected other than those mentioned above.

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

EYE CONTACT :  
Immediately flush eye with water for at least 15 minutes while holding eyelids open. Get medical attention.

SKIN CONTACT :  
Flush with large amounts of water. Use soap if available. If symptoms develop, seek medical advice.

INGESTION :  
Do not induce vomiting without medical advice. If conscious, washout mouth and give water to drink. Get medical attention.

INHALATION :  
Remove to fresh air, treat symptomatically. If symptoms develop, seek medical advice.

NOTE TO PHYSICIAN :  
Based on the individual reactions of the patient, the physician's judgement should be used to control symptoms and clinical condition.

### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

FLASH POINT : None

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA :  
This product would not be expected to burn unless all the water is boiled away. The remaining organics may be ignitable. Keep containers cool by spraying with water. Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire.

FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD :  
Not flammable or combustible. May evolve oxides of carbon (COx) under fire conditions. May evolve oxides of nitrogen (NOx) under fire conditions.

SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIRE FIGHTING :  
In case of fire, wear a full face positive-pressure self contained breathing apparatus and protective suit.



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### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

#### PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS :

Restrict access to area as appropriate until clean-up operations are complete. Use personal protective equipment recommended in Section 8 (Exposure Controls/Personal Protection). Stop or reduce any leaks if it is safe to do so. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Ventilate spill area if possible. Ensure clean-up is conducted by trained personnel only. Do not touch spilled material. Have emergency equipment (for fires, spills, leaks, etc.) readily available. Notify appropriate government, occupational health and safety and environmental authorities.

#### METHODS FOR CLEANING UP :

**SMALL SPILLS:** Soak up spill with absorbent material. Place residues in a suitable, covered, properly labeled container. Wash affected area. **LARGE SPILLS:** Contain liquid using absorbent material, by digging trenches or by diking. Reclaim into recovery or salvage drums or tank truck for proper disposal. Wash site of spillage thoroughly with water. Contact an approved waste hauler for disposal of contaminated recovered material. Dispose of material in compliance with regulations indicated in Section 13 (Disposal Considerations).

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PRECAUTIONS :

Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment., Prevent material from entering sewers or waterways., If drains, streams, soil or sewers become contaminated, notify local authority.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### HANDLING :

Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Do not take internally. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid generating aerosols and mists. Do not breathe vapors/gases/dust. Keep the containers closed when not in use. Have emergency equipment (for fires, spills, leaks, etc.) readily available. Ensure all containers are labeled. Do not mix with acids.

#### STORAGE CONDITIONS :

Store the containers tightly closed. Store in suitable labeled containers. Store separately from acids.

#### SUITABLE CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL :

PVC, Buna-N, HDPE (high density polyethylene), Viton, Polypropylene, Polyethylene, Stainless Steel 304, Epoxy phenolic resin Compatibility with Plastic Materials can vary; we therefore recommend that compatibility is tested prior to use.

#### UNSUITABLE CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL :

Brass, Polyurethane, Hypalon, Neoprene, EPDM, 100% phenolic resin liner

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS :

This product does not contain any substance that has an established exposure limit.

#### ENGINEERING MEASURES :

General ventilation is recommended. Use local exhaust ventilation if necessary to control airborne mist and vapor.



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### RESPIRATORY PROTECTION :

Where concentrations in air may exceed the limits given in this section or when significant mists, vapors, aerosols, or dusts are generated, an approved air purifying respirator equipped with suitable filter cartridges is recommended. Consult the respirator / cartridge manufacturer data to verify the suitability of specific devices. In event of emergency or planned entry into unknown concentrations a positive pressure, full-facepiece SCBA should be used. If respiratory protection is required, institute a complete respiratory protection program including selection, fit testing, training, maintenance and inspection.

### HAND PROTECTION :

When handling this product, the use of chemical gloves is recommended. The choice of work glove depends on work conditions and what chemicals are handled. Please contact the PPE manufacturer for advice on what type of glove material may be suitable. Gloves should be replaced immediately if signs of degradation are observed.

### SKIN PROTECTION :

Wear standard protective clothing.

### EYE PROTECTION :

Wear chemical splash goggles.

### HYGIENE RECOMMENDATIONS :

Use good work and personal hygiene practices to avoid exposure. Keep an eye wash fountain available. Keep a safety shower available. If clothing is contaminated, remove clothing and thoroughly wash the affected area. Launder contaminated clothing before reuse. Always wash thoroughly after handling chemicals. When handling this product never eat, drink or smoke.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL STATE	Liquid
APPEARANCE	Clear Yellow
ODOR	None
SPECIFIC GRAVITY	1.16 @ 77 °F / 25 °C
DENSITY	9.63 lb/gal
SOLUBILITY IN WATER	Complete
pH (10 %)	10.7 - 11.9
FREEZING POINT	5 °F / -15 °C
BOILING POINT	219 °F / 104 °C
VAPOR PRESSURE	Same as water
VOC CONTENT	0 % Calculated

Note: These physical properties are typical values for this product and are subject to change.



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### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**STABILITY :**

Stable under normal conditions.

**HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION :**

Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

**CONDITIONS TO AVOID :**

Freezing temperatures.

**MATERIALS TO AVOID :**

Contact with strong acids (e.g. sulfuric, phosphoric, nitric, hydrochloric, chromic, sulfonic) may generate heat, splattering or boiling and toxic vapors. Contact with strong oxidizers (e.g. chlorine, peroxides, chromates, nitric acid, perchlorate, concentrated oxygen, permanganate) may generate heat, fires, explosions and/or toxic vapors.

**HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS :**

Under fire conditions: Oxides of carbon, Oxides of nitrogen

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

The following results are for the product.

**ACUTE ORAL TOXICITY :**

Species: Rat  
LD50: > 500 mg/kg  
Test Descriptor: Product

**SENSITIZATION :**

This product is not expected to be a sensitizer.

**CARCINOGENICITY :**

None of the substances in this product are listed as carcinogens by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), the National Toxicology Program (NTP) or the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH).

### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**ECOTOXICOLOGICAL EFFECTS :**

The following results are for the product.

**ACUTE FISH RESULTS :**

Species	Exposure	LC50	Test Descriptor
Fathead Minnow	96 hrs	164 mg/l	Product
Bluegill Sunfish	96 hrs	185 mg/l	Product



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Rainbow Trout	96 hrs	36.2 mg/l	Product
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### ACUTE INVERTEBRATE RESULTS :

Species	Exposure	LC50	EC50	Test Descriptor
Daphnia magna	48 hrs	477 mg/l		Product

### PERSISTENCY AND DEGRADATION :

Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) : 590,000 mg/l

The organic portion of this preparation is expected to be inherently biodegradable.

### MOBILITY :

The environmental fate was estimated using a level III fugacity model embedded in the EPI (estimation program interface) Suite TM, provided by the US EPA. The model assumes a steady state condition between the total input and output. The level III model does not require equilibrium between the defined media. The information provided is intended to give the user a general estimate of the environmental fate of this product under the defined conditions of the models.

If released into the environment this material is expected to distribute to the air, water and soil/sediment in the approximate respective percentages;

Air	Water	Soil/Sediment
<5%	30 - 50%	50 - 70%

The portion in water is expected to be soluble or dispersible.

### BIOACCUMULATION POTENTIAL

This preparation or material is not expected to bioaccumulate.

If released into the environment, see CERCLA/SUPERFUND in Section 15.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

If this product becomes a waste, it is not a hazardous waste as defined by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) 40 CFR 261, since it does not have the characteristics of Subpart C, nor is it listed under Subpart D.

As a non-hazardous waste, it is not subject to federal regulation. Consult state or local regulation for any additional handling, treatment or disposal requirements. For disposal, contact a properly licensed waste treatment, storage, disposal or recycling facility.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The information in this section is for reference only and should not take the place of a shipping paper (bill of lading) specific to an order. Please note that the proper Shipping Name / Hazard Class may vary by packaging, properties, and mode of transportation. Typical Proper Shipping Names for this product are as follows.



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### LAND TRANSPORT :

Proper Shipping Name :	CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S.
Technical Name(s) :	SODIUM BENZOTRIAZOLE
UN/ID No :	UN 1719
Hazard Class - Primary :	8
Packing Group :	III
Flash Point :	None

### AIR TRANSPORT (ICAO/IATA) :

Proper Shipping Name :	CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S.
Technical Name(s) :	SODIUM BENZOTRIAZOLE
UN/ID No :	UN 1719
Hazard Class - Primary :	8
Packing Group :	III

### MARINE TRANSPORT (IMDG/IMO) :

Proper Shipping Name :	CAUSTIC ALKALI LIQUID, N.O.S.
Technical Name(s) :	SODIUM BENZOTRIAZOLE
UN/ID No :	UN 1719
Hazard Class - Primary :	8
Packing Group :	III

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

This section contains additional information that may have relevance to regulatory compliance. The information in this section is for reference only. It is not exhaustive, and should not be relied upon to take the place of an individualized compliance or hazard assessment. Nalco accepts no liability for the use of this information.

### NATIONAL REGULATIONS, USA :

#### OSHA HAZARD COMMUNICATION RULE, 29 CFR 1910.1200 :

Based on our hazard evaluation, the following substance(s) in this product is/are hazardous and the reason(s) is/are shown below.

Sodium Benzotriazole : Eye irritant, HARMFUL

#### CERCLA/SUPERFUND, 40 CFR 302 :

Notification of spills of this product is not required.

SARA/SUPERFUND AMENDMENTS AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1986 (TITLE III) - SECTIONS 302, 311, 312, AND 313 :

#### SECTION 302 - EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 355) :

This product does not contain substances listed in Appendix A and B as an Extremely Hazardous Substance.



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### SECTIONS 311 AND 312 - MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET REQUIREMENTS (40 CFR 370) :

Our hazard evaluation has found this product to be hazardous. The product should be reported under the following indicated EPA hazard categories:

- X Immediate (Acute) Health Hazard
- Delayed (Chronic) Health Hazard
- Fire Hazard
- Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard
- Reactive Hazard

Under SARA 311 and 312, the EPA has established threshold quantities for the reporting of hazardous chemicals. The current thresholds are: 500 pounds or the threshold planning quantity (TPQ), whichever is lower, for extremely hazardous substances and 10,000 pounds for all other hazardous chemicals.

### SECTION 313 - LIST OF TOXIC CHEMICALS (40 CFR 372) :

This product does not contain substances on the List of Toxic Chemicals.

### TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT (TSCA) :

The substances in this preparation are included on or exempted from the TSCA 8(b) Inventory (40 CFR 710)

FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT, CLEAN WATER ACT, 40 CFR 401.15 / formerly Sec. 307, 40 CFR 116.4 / formerly Sec. 311 :

This product may contain trace levels (<0.1% for carcinogens, <1% all other substances) of the following substance(s) listed under the regulation. Additional components may be unintentionally present at trace levels.

Substance(s)	Citations
• Sodium Hydroxide	Sec. 311

CLEAN AIR ACT, Sec. 112 (Hazardous Air Pollutants, as amended by 40 CFR 63), Sec. 602 (40 CFR 82, Class I and II Ozone Depleting Substances) :

Substances listed under this regulation are not intentionally added or expected to be present in this product. Listed components may be present at trace levels.

### CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65 :

Substances listed under California Proposition 65 are not intentionally added or expected to be present in this product.

### MICHIGAN CRITICAL MATERIALS :

Substances listed under this regulation are not intentionally added or expected to be present in this product. Listed components may be present at trace levels.

### STATE RIGHT TO KNOW LAWS :

The following substances are disclosed for compliance with State Right to Know Laws:

Sodium Benzotriazole	15217-42-2
Sodium Hydroxide	1310-73-2





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INTERNATIONAL CHEMICAL CONTROL LAWS :

CANADIAN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (CEPA) :

The substance(s) in this preparation are included in or exempted from the Domestic Substance List (DSL).

AUSTRALIA

All substances in this product comply with the National Industrial Chemicals Notification & Assessment Scheme (NICNAS).

CHINA

All substances in this product comply with the Provisions on the Environmental Administration of New Chemical Substances and are listed on the Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances China (IECSC).

EUROPE

The substances in this preparation have been reviewed for compliance with the EINECS or ELINCS inventories.

JAPAN

All substances in this product comply with the Law Regulating the Manufacture and Importation Of Chemical Substances and are listed on the Existing and New Chemical Substances list (ENCS).

KOREA

All substances in this product comply with the Toxic Chemical Control Law (TCCL) and are listed on the Existing Chemicals List (ECL)

PHILIPPINES

All substances in this product comply with the Republic Act 6969 (RA 6969) and are listed on the Philippines Inventory of Chemicals & Chemical Substances (PICCS).

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

This product material safety data sheet provides health and safety information. The product is to be used in applications consistent with our product literature. Individuals handling this product should be informed of the recommended safety precautions and should have access to this information. For any other uses, exposures should be evaluated so that appropriate handling practices and training programs can be established to insure safe workplace operations. Please consult your local sales representative for any further information.

#### REFERENCES

Threshold Limit Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents and Biological Exposure Indices, American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, OH., (Ariel Insight™ CD-ROM Version), Ariel Research Corp., Bethesda, MD.

Hazardous Substances Data Bank, National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland (TOMES CPS™ CD-ROM Version), Micromedex, Inc., Englewood, CO.



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IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of the Carcinogenic Risk of Chemicals to Man, Geneva: World Health Organization, International Agency for Research on Cancer.

Integrated Risk Information System, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, D.C. (TOMES CPS™ CD-ROM Version),  
Micromedex, Inc., Englewood, CO.

Annual Report on Carcinogens, National Toxicology Program, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service.

Title 29 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1910, Subpart Z, Toxic and Hazardous Substances, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), (Ariel Insight™ CD-ROM Version), Ariel Research Corp., Bethesda, MD.

Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Cincinnati, OH,  
(TOMES CPS™ CD-ROM Version), Micromedex, Inc., Englewood, CO.

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The Teratogen Information System, University of Washington, Seattle, WA (TOMES CPS™ CD-ROM Version),  
Micromedex, Inc., Englewood, CO.

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