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Sodium hydroxide**

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Produkte zur Aufbereitung von Schwimm- und Badebeckenwasser - Natriumhydroxid

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Foreword

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Introduction

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- 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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NOTE 2 This product is a biocide and needs to comply with the relevant legislation in force. In the European Union, at the time of publication, this legislation is Directive 1998/8/EC [1].

1 Scope

This European Standard is applicable to sodium hydroxide solution used directly or for the production of formulations for treating swimming pool water. It describes the characteristics and specifies the requirements and the corresponding test methods for sodium hydroxide. It gives information on its use for treating swimming pool water and 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 896, *Chemicals used for treatment of water intended for human consumption — Sodium hydroxide*

3 Description

3.1 Identification

3.1.1 Chemical name

Sodium hydroxide.

3.1.2 Synonym or common name

Caustic soda.

3.1.3 Relative molecular mass

40,0.

3.1.4 Empirical formula

NaOH.

3.1.5 Chemical formula

NaOH.

3.1.6 CAS Registry Number ¹⁾

1310-73-2.

3.1.7 EINECS reference ²⁾

215-185-5.

1) Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number.

2) European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.