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MSDS #: SEB8300  

Hazard Rating	HMIS	NFPA
Health	2	2
Flammability	0	0
Reactivity	0	0
Special	None	None

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Complies with ANSI Z400.1 Format

## SECTION 1: PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

**Product:** 83 WAX & FINISH REMOVER by Sustainable Earth By Staples®

This MSDS applies to Manufacturer Item Numbers: SEB8301 and SEB8305

MSDS CODE: SEB8300.1011

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GENERIC DESCRIPTION	DATE ISSUED	SUPERSEDES
Super-Concentrated Wax & Finish Remover	10-31-2011	01-20-11

## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Emergency overview:** DANGER: Corrosive. May cause burns to skin and eyes.

**Potential short term health effects:**

**Routes of exposure:** Eyes, skin contact, skin absorption, inhalation, and ingestion

**Eyes:** Corrosive. May cause permanent eye damage, including blindness.

**Skin:** Corrosive. This product, if absorbed through the skin, may be harmful.

**Inhalation:** May cause irritation of throat and respiratory tract.

**Ingestion:** Corrosive. Causes burns to mouth, throat and stomach.

**Target organs:** Eyes, respiratory system, skin, and gastrointestinal tract

**Chronic effects:** This product may be harmful if it is absorbed through the skin. Prolonged or repeated exposure can cause drying, defatting and dermatitis.

**Signs and symptoms:** This product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes.

## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Components	CAS #	% by Wt.	LC <sub>50</sub>	LD <sub>50</sub> (oral)
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	10-30	>500 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , mouse	1230 mg/kg, rat
Monoethanolamine	141-43-5	10-30	1210 mg/m <sup>3</sup> , mouse	1720 mg/kg, rat;
Diethylene glycol monohexyl ether	112-59-4	7-13	Not available	4600 mg/kg, male rat
Non-ionic ethoxylate blend	Trade secret	3-7	Not available	Not available

Balance is water and similar non-hazardous ingredients. No fragrance added.

## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

**Emergency First Aid Procedures**

**Eyes:** Immediately flush eyes with water for at least 15 minutes while holding eyelids open. Remove contact lenses, if present, after the first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. If irritation occurs and persists, seek medical advice.

**Skin:** Flush immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If irritation occurs and persists, seek prompt medical advice.

**Inhalation:** If symptoms develop, move victim to fresh air and seek medical advice.

**Ingestion:** Rinse mouth. Drink large amounts of water or milk. Obtain immediate medical attention. Do not induce vomiting and do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious or convulsing person.

## SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flash Point:** None

**Flammable properties:** Not flammable by WHMIS/OSHA criteria.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use standard fire fighting measures to extinguish fires involving this material (water spray, dry chemicals or foam).

**Special Fire Fighting Procedures:** Firefighters should wear full protective clothing including self contained breathing apparatus. **Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards:** May include but are not limited to: oxides of carbon and oxides of nitrogen.

### SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Containment and Clean up:** Floor may become slippery. Stop leak if you can do so without risk. Small spills may be absorbed with non-reactive absorbent. Rinse area with water. Recover liquid with wet mop or vacuum. Keep spill out of sewers and waterways. Follow good industrial hygiene practices. Wash thoroughly after handling.

### SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after handling. Follow good industrial hygiene practices. Do not eat or drink while handling. Store in original containers away from incompatible materials. Keep out of reach of children.

### SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Exposure Limits:**

Ingredient	ACGIH-TLV	OSHA-PEL
Monoethanolamine #141-43-5	TWA: 3 ppm; STEL: 6 ppm	TWA: 3 ppm
Benzyl alcohol #100-51-6	Not available	Not available
Diethylene glycol monhexyl ether #112-59-4	Not available	Not available
Non-ionic ethoxylate blend	Not available	Not available

**Engineering Controls:** General ventilation normally adequate.

**Respiratory Protection:** Where exposure guideline levels may be exceeded, use an approved NIOSH respirator.

**Protective Gloves:** Use chemical resistant gloves including neoprene, rubber or vinyl.

**Eye Protection:** Use splash proof, chemical-resistant goggles.

**Other Protective Measures:** Use good personal hygiene practices. Wash hands after handling.

### SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Appearance/Odor:</b> Colorless liquid/Mild soap odor	<b>Specific Gravity:</b> 0.98
<b>Odor threshold:</b> Not available	<b>Vapor Pressure:</b> Not available
<b>pH (Conc.):</b> 9.0-13.0 <b>pH (Diluted 1:256):</b> 10.5-11.5	<b>Vapor Density:</b> Not available
<b>Boiling Point:</b> >212°F	<b>Freezing Point:</b> Not available
<b>Solubility in Water:</b> Soluble	<b>Evaporation Rate:</b> Not available
<b>V.O.C. Content (by weight):</b> <6% (<60g/L)	<b>Coefficient of water/oil distribution:</b> Not available

This product is compliant with California Air Resources Board (CARB) regulations on Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC).

### SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical Stability:** Stable

**Conditions to Avoid:** Avoid high temperatures. Do not mix with other chemicals.

**Incompatibility:** Acids and oxidizers

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** May include and are not limited to: oxides of carbon and oxides of nitrogen.

### SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Effects of acute exposure:**

**Eyes:** Corrosive. Causes chemical burns. May cause permanent eye damage, including blindness.

**Skin:** Corrosive. Causes chemical burns. This product, if absorbed through the skin, may be harmful.

**Inhalation:** May cause irritation of throat and respiratory tract.

**Ingestion:** Corrosive. Causes burns to mouth, throat and stomach.

**Sensitization:** Non-hazardous by WHMIS/OSHA criteria.

**Chronic effects:** Based on published data, if contact is repeated or prolonged, monoethanolamine may cause liver and kidney damage. These effects have not been observed in humans. Prolonged contact may cause defatting of the skin.

**Mutagenicity:** Non-hazardous by WHMIS/OSHA criteria.

**Carcinogenicity:** Non-hazardous by WHMIS/OSHA criteria.

**Reproductive effects:** Non-hazardous by WHMIS/OSHA criteria.

**Teratogenicity:** Non-hazardous by WHMIS/OSHA criteria.

**Name of Toxicologically Synergistic Products:** Not available

### SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity – Acute Toxicity Data:**

**Freshwater Algae**

Monoethanolamine #141-43-5 72 Hr EC<sub>50</sub> Desmodemus subspicatus: 15 mg/L

**Freshwater Fish**

Diethylene glycol monoethyl ether #112-59-4 96 Hr LC<sub>50</sub> Pimephales promelas: 200-230 mg/L [static]

Benzyl alcohol #100-51-6 96 Hr LC<sub>50</sub> range from 10 to over 100 mg/L  
96 Hr LC<sub>50</sub> Fathead Minnow: 46.4 mg/L [static]

Monoethanolamine #141-43-5 96 Hr LC<sub>50</sub> Pimephales promelas: 227 mg/L [flow-through];  
96 Hr LC<sub>50</sub> Brachydanio rerio: 3684 mg/L [static];  
96 Hr LC<sub>50</sub> Lepomis macrochirus: 300-1000 mg/L [static];  
96 Hr LC<sub>50</sub> Oncorhynchus mykiss: 114-196 mg/L [static];  
96 Hr LC<sub>50</sub> Oncorhynchus mykiss: >200 mg/L [flow-through]

**Water Flea**

Diethylene glycol monoethyl ether #112-59-4 48 Hr LC<sub>50</sub> Daphnia magna: 433 mg/L [static]

Benzyl alcohol #100-51-6 48 Hr EC<sub>50</sub> Daphnia magna: 400 mg/L

Monoethanolamine #141-43-5 48 Hr EC<sub>50</sub> Daphnia magna: 65 mg/L

<b>Persistence/degradability:</b>	Not available
<b>Bioaccumulation/accumulation:</b>	Not available
<b>Mobility in environmental media:</b>	Not available
<b>Environmental effects:</b>	Not available
<b>Aquatic toxicity:</b>	Not available
<b>Partition coefficient:</b>	Not available
<b>Chemical fate information:</b>	Not available
<b>Other adverse effects:</b>	Not available

**SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Waste Disposal Information:** Dispose of in compliance with all applicable regulations.

**SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**24-HR EMERGENCY PHONE:** 1-888-322-0912

**U.S. DOT:**

**Hazard Class:** 8                                      **Packing Group:** II                                      **Label:** Corrosive  
**Proper Shipping Name:** Corrosive liquid, basic, organic, n.o.s. (contains Monoethanolamine), UN3267  
**Special provisions:** IB3, T7, TP1, TP28  
**ERG number:** 153

**CANADA TDG:**

**Hazard Class:** 8                                      **Packing Group:** II                                      **Label:** Corrosive  
**Proper Shipping Name:** Corrosive liquid, basic, organic, n.o.s. (contains Monoethanolamine), UN3267  
**Special provisions:** 16

**SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**CANADIAN FEDERAL REGULATIONS:** This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all the information required by the Controlled Products Regulations.

**WHMIS Ingredient Disclosure List:**

Monoethanolamine #141-43-5 1%  
Benzyl Alcohol #100-51-6 1%  
Diethylene glycol monoethyl ether #112-59-4 1%

**WHMIS Classification:** Class E – Corrosive Material

**WHMIS Labeling:**



**US FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

**California Proposition 65:** This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

Ingredient	CAS#	State Right-to-Know	CERCLA/SARA EHS Sect. 302 RQ(lbs)	SARA EHS Sect. 302 TPQ(lbs)	CERCLA RQ (lbs)
Monoethanolamine	141-43-5	CA, IL, MA, NJ, PA, RI	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Benzyl Alcohol	100-51-6	MA, PA	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories:**

Immediate/Acute: Yes                      Delayed/Chronic: No                      Fire: No  
Pressure: No                                      Reactivity: No

**SARA Section 313 Toxic Chemicals:** None

**Subject to SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substance:** No

**Inventories**

**On Inventory (yes/no)\***

Canada's Domestic Substances List (DSL)                      YES  
Canada's Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)                      NO  
United States' Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)                      YES

\*A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements.

**SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

This product meets the Green Seal™ GS-40 standard for industrial and institutional floor-care products based on its reduced human and aquatic toxicity, and reduced smog production potential, as compared to conventional products.

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