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## SAFETY DATA SHEET

### 1) IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name:** NOVOMATIC RTU Developer

**Champion Product Code:** 160121

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### 2) COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**Product Description:**

A ready to use photographic developer. The following components contribute to hazard.

Component	CAS NO	%w/w
Hydroquinone	123-31-9	1-2
Sodium Hydroxide	1310-73-2	0.5-2

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### 3) HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Human Health Hazards:**

Harmful. Possible risk of irreversible effects.  
May cause sensitisation by skin contact.

**Safety Hazards**

Contact with acids liberates irritant gas (SO<sub>2</sub>).  
Contact with photographic fixer may liberate irritant gas from the fixer, (NH<sub>3</sub>).

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**Environmental Hazards:**

Will cause short term oxygen depletion if allowed to enter aquatic environment.

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**4) FIRST AID MEASURES****Eyes:**

Flush immediately with eye-wash solution or clean water for several minutes holding the eyelids apart. Obtain medical attention.

**Inhalation:**

Inhalation of the product is unlikely to occur. In the event of inhalation move to fresh air and obtain medical attention. No vapour hazard exists under normal conditions of use.

**Skin Contact:**

Remove any contaminated clothing. Wash skin with cold water then thoroughly with a neutral, (non-alkaline) cleanser and water. Thoroughly wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Obtain medical attention if irritation develops.

**Ingestion:**

Rinse mouth with water and drink about two glasses of water. Do not induce vomiting. Obtain medical attention.

IN ALL CASES OF DOUBT OR IF SYMPTOMS PERSIST, SEEK MEDICAL ADVICE. SHOW THE PRODUCT LABEL AND THIS SAFETY DATA SHEET TO THE DOCTOR

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**5) FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

Not classified as flammable (water based). If involved in a major fire, harmful gases (CO, SO<sub>2</sub>) could be produced.

**Extinguishing Media:**

Suitable for the surrounding fire.

**Protective Equipment:**

Self-contained respiratory equipment.

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## 6) ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### **Personal Protection:**

When dealing with spillages of concentrate or working strength solution, use the personal protection specified in Section 8. Ensure spill area is well ventilated.

### **Environmental Precautions:**

Prevent large spillages from entering drain by absorption into inert absorbent material (eg. dry sand or earth) and transfer to a container for disposal by a licensed waste contractor. Wash small spillages to drain with copious amounts of water.

### **Cleaning Up:**

After collecting the bulk of the spillage thoroughly wash area to drain with water.

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## 7) HANDLING AND STORAGE

### **Handling:**

When handling product concentrates, avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing and avoid inhaling vapour. Use in a well ventilated area. Avoid contact with the working strength solution and avoid inhaling vapour. After handling, the routine use of a neutral, (non-alkaline), hand cleanser will minimise the risk of adverse skin reaction.

### **Storage:**

Store in a dry, well ventilated area at a moderate temperature. Store away from incompatible substances, (see Section 10).

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## 8) EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### **Relevant Exposure Limits:**

None.

### **Engineering Measures:**

Ensure good ventilation or local exhaust ventilation of the working area.

### **Hand Protection:**

Wear impervious gloves when handling concentrates and to prevent contact with the working strength solution.

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**Eye Protection:**

Wear safety glasses with side shields as the minimum level of protection. Provide eye-wash bottles in the immediate working area.

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**9) PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

**Appearance:** Colourless to very pale yellow liquid

**Odour:** Slight

**pH at 20°C:** 10.4

**Weight per ml  
at 20°C:** 1.10g

**Freezing Point:** <0°C

**Flammability:** Not flammable

**Solubility  
in water:** Completely soluble

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**10) STABILITY AND REACTIVITY****Stability:**

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**Materials to avoid:**

Avoid contact with strong acids and oxidising agents. Avoid contact with photographic fixer, (Ammonia may be liberated from the fixer)

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:**

None under normal conditions of use.

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**11) TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION****Eye Contact:**

Likely to cause irritation. If eye-washing has not been prompt and effective, irritation may be severe.

**Skin Contact:**

May cause irritation and possible sensitisation.

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**Ingestion:**

Ingestion is likely to cause irritation of the mouth and gastro-intestinal tract. Acute toxicity expected to be low. Long term: possible risk of irreversible effects.

**Inhalation:**

Likely to cause irritation and inflammation to mucous membrane. No vapour hazard exists under normal conditions of use.

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**12) ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

The following summary of expected environmental effects is based on known data for the principal ingredients and on the physico-chemical properties of the preparation.

A moderate bio-chemical oxygen demand and high pH will result in short term oxygen depletion and increased alkalinity in the aquatic environment, with subsequent localised damage to plant and animal organisms. Harmful short term effects are rapidly reduced by dilution, oxidation and photodecomposition and the product has a very low potential to persist in a harmful form.

As a result of the above properties, precautions should be taken to avoid release of the product into the environment, (see Section 13).

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**13) DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****Surplus Product and Working Strength Solution:**

Disposal should be in accordance with current local and national legislation and only by a licensed waste contractor. Do not dispose of either concentrate or working strength solutions into drains, sewers or waterways or on to soil.

**Plastic Containers:**

Rinse thoroughly with water and dispose as solid waste to land fill or re-cycle where possible.

**Cardboard Cartons:**

Re-cycle where possible or treat as solid waste.

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**14) TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Not regulated.

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**15) REGULATORY INFORMATION**

Contains Sodium Hydroxide and Hydroquinone.

<b>Hazard Symbol:</b>	Xn	Harmful.
<b>Risk Phrases:</b>	R40	Possible risk of irreversible effects.
	R43	May cause sensitisation by skin contact.
<b>Safety Phrases:</b>	S2	Keep out of reach of children
	S24	Avoid contact with skin.
	S36/37/39	Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.

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**16) OTHER INFORMATION**

The information contained in this Safety Data Sheet does not constitute the users own assessment of work place risk as required by other health and safety legislation, (eg. COSHH Regulations in the UK).

**Document History**

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Reference Sources Include: CHIP Regs and Related ACOPs  
UK HSE EH40, Occupational Exposure Limits  
Croner's First Aid Guide  
Raw Materials MSDS  
Champion product data

**The information contained in this Safety Data Sheet is to our best present knowledge correct and complete and is given in good faith but without warranty.**

Changes at this Revision: Hazard classification revised, (re-classification of hydroquinone).  
Product code amended.