



## Safety Data Sheet

### 1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

#### Product identifier:

Product name: Potassium hydroxide

SDS No. : 6366E-3

#### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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### 2. Hazards identification

#### GHS classification and label elements of the product

#### Classification of the substance or mixture

##### HEALTH HAZARDS

Acute toxicity (Oral): Category 3

Skin corrosion/irritation: Category 1

Serious eye damage/eye irritation: Category 1

Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure: Category 1(respiratory apparatus)

Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure: Category 1(respiratory apparatus)

Aspiration hazard: Category 1

(Note) GHS classification without description: Not classified/Classification not possible

#### Label elements



Signal word: Danger

#### HAZARD STATEMENT

Toxic if swallowed

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

Causes serious eye damage

Causes damage to organs after single exposure(respiratory apparatus)

Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure(respiratory apparatus)

May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways

#### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENT

##### Prevention

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

Wash contaminated parts thoroughly after handling.

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing or face protection.

Wear eye protection/face protection.

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

##### Response

Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.



Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/national regulation.

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### 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Mixture/Substance selection:

Substance

Ingredient name:Potassium hydroxide

Content (%):85(min)

Chemical formula:KOH

Chemicals No, Japan:1-369

CAS No.:1310-58-3

MW:56.1

ECNO:215-181-3

Note : The figures shown above are not the specifications of the product.

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### 4. First-aid measures

Descriptions of first-aid measures

General measures

Get medical attention/advice if you feel unwell.

IF INHALED

Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

IF ON SKIN (or hair)

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

IF IN EYES

Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

IF SWALLOWED

Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

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### 5. Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Use appropriate extinguishing media suitable for surrounding facilities.

Unsuitable extinguishing media data is not available.

Specific hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Containers may explode when heated.

Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases.

Advice for firefighters

Specific fire-fighting measures

Evacuate non-essential personnel to safe area.

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Wear fire/flame resistant/retardant clothing.



Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.  
Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus with full face piece operated positive pressure mode.

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## 6. Accidental release measures

Personnel precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Ventilate area until material pick up is complete.

Wear proper protective equipment.

Environmental precautions

Prevent spills from entering sewers, watercourses or low areas.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up, place in a bag and hold for waste disposal.

Preventive measures for secondary accident

Collect spillage.

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## 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Preventive measures

(Exposure Control for handling personnel)

Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

(Protective measures against fire and explosion)

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. – No smoking.

(Exhaust/ventilator)

Exhaust/ventilator should be available.

(Safety treatments)

Avoid contact with skin.

Avoid contact with eyes.

Safety Measures

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing or face protection.

Wear eye protection/face protection.

When using do not eat, drink or smoke.

Any incompatibilities

See "10.Stability and Reactivity"

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash contaminated parts thoroughly after handling.

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Storage

Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed.

Store in a cool, dry place. Do not store in direct sunlight.

Keep under lock and key.

Container and packaging materials for safe handling

Polyethylene

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## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Control parameters

Adopted value

(Potassium hydroxide)

ACGIH(1992) STEL: C 2mg/m<sup>3</sup> (URT, eye & skin irr)

Exposure controls

**Appropriate engineering controls**

Do not use in areas without adequate ventilation.

Eye wash station should be available.

Washing facilities should be available.

**Individual protection measures****Respiratory protection**

Wear respiratory protection.

**Hand protection**

Wear protective gloves.

**Eye protection**

Wear eye/face protection.

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**9. Physical and Chemical Properties****Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

Physical state: Granular

Color: White

Odor: Odorless

pH data is not available.

Boiling point or initial boiling point: 1324°C

Boiling range data is not available.

Melting point/Freezing point: 380°C

Decomposition temperature data is not available.

Flammability (gases, liquids and solids) data is not available.

Flash point data is not available.

Auto-ignition temperature data is not available.

Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit data is not available.

Vapor pressure data is not available.

Relative vapor density (Air=1) data is not available.

Density and/or relative density: 2.04g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Kinematic viscosity data is not available.

**Solubility:**

Solubility in water: 110 g/100 ml (25°C)

n-Octanol/water partition coefficient data is not available.

No Particle characteristics data is not available.

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**10. Stability and Reactivity****Reactivity**

Not available.

**Chemical stability**

Hygroscopic (absorbs moisture from the air).

**Possibility of hazardous reactions**

The solution in water is a strong base. It reacts violently with acid and is corrosive to metals such as aluminium, tin, lead and zinc. This produces a combustible/explosive gas (hydrogen). Reacts with ammonium salts. This produces ammonia. This generates fire hazard.

Contact with moisture and water may generate heat. (ICSC 0357)

**Conditions to avoid**

Contact with incompatible materials.

Contact with fire source.

**Incompatible materials**

Acids, Metals, Ammonium salts

**Hazardous decomposition products**

Hydrogen, Ammonia



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## 11. Toxicological Information

### Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

##### Acute toxicity (Oral)

[GHS Cat. Japan, base data]

(Potassium hydroxide)

rat LD50=273mg/kg (SIDS, 2004)

#### Irritant properties

##### Skin corrosion/irritation

[GHS Cat. Japan, base data]

(Potassium hydroxide)

rabbit/human corrosive (SIDS, 2004; ECETOC TR66, 1995; JSOH, 1978; PATTY 6th, 2012)

##### Serious eye damage/irritation

[GHS Cat. Japan, base data]

(Potassium hydroxide)

rabbit corrosive (SIDS, 2004; JSOH, 1978; PATTY 6th, 2012)

Allergenic and sensitizing effects data is not available.

Mutagenic effects data is not available.

Carcinogenic effects data is not available.

Reproductive toxicity data is not available.

#### STOT

##### STOT-single exposure

[cat.1]

[GHS Cat. Japan, base data]

(Potassium hydroxide)

respiratory apparatus (ACGIH 7th, 2001; SIDS, 2004; PATTY 6th, 2012)

##### STOT-repeated exposure

[cat.1]

[GHS Cat. Japan, base data]

(Potassium hydroxide)

respiratory apparatus (ACGIH 7th, 2001)

#### Aspiration hazard

[cat.1]

[GHS Cat. Japan, base data]

(Potassium hydroxide)

cat. 1; ACGIH 7th, 2001; SIDS, 2004

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## 12. Ecological Information

### Ecotoxicity

Ecotoxicity data is not available.

### Water solubility

(Potassium hydroxide)

110 g/100 ml (25°C) (ICSC, 2010)

### Persistence and degradability

Persistence and degradability data is not available.

### Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulative potential data is not available.

### Mobility in soil

Mobility in soil data is not available.

### Other adverse effects

Ozone depleting chemical data is not available.



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**13. Disposal considerations**

Description of waste residues and information on their safe handling and methods of disposal, including the disposal of any contaminated packaging

Waste treatment methods

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/national regulation.

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**14. Transport Information**

UN No.: 1813

Proper Shipping Name :

POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

Class or division : 8

Packing group : II

ERG GUIDE No.: 154

IMDG Code (International Maritime Dangerous Goods Regulations)

UN No.: 1813

Proper Shipping Name :

POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

Class or division : 8

Packing group : II

IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations

UN No.: 1813

Proper Shipping Name :

POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

Class or division : 8

Hazard labels : Corrosive

Packing group : II

Environmental hazards

MARPOL Annex III – Prevention of pollution by harmful substances

Marine pollutants (yes/no) : no

MARPOL Annex V – Prevention of pollution by garbage discharge

Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure: cat.1

Potassium hydroxide

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**15. Regulatory Information**

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

US major regulations

Chemicals listed in TSCA Inventory

Potassium hydroxide

Other regulatory information

Ensure this material in compliance with federal requirements and ensure conformity to local regulations.

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**16. Other information**

GHS classification and labelling

Acute Tox. 3: H301 Toxic if swallowed

Skin Corr. 1: H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

Eye Dam. 1: H318 Causes serious eye damage

STOT SE 1: H370 Causes damage to organs after single exposure

STOT RE 1: H372 Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

Asp. Tox. 1: H304 May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways

**Reference Book**

Globally Harmonized System of classification and labelling of chemicals, (6th ed., 2015), UN Recommendations on the TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS 20th edit., 2017 UN IMDG Code, 2018 Edition (Incorporating Amendment 39-18)  
IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations (60th Edition) 2019  
Classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (table3-1 ECNO6182012)  
2016 EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDEBOOK (US DOT)  
2019 TLVs and BEIs. (ACGIH)  
<http://monographs.iarc.fr/ENG/Classification/index.php>  
Supplier's data/information

**General Disclaimer**

This data sheet was created based on the information we currently have and may be revised according to new information. In addition, the precautions apply only to normal handling, and in the case of special handling, please make adequate countermeasure to maintain your safety.

The data given here is based on current knowledge and experience. The purpose of this Safety Data Sheet is to describe the products in terms of their safety requirements. The data does not signify any warranty with regard to the products' properties.

The GHS classification data given here is based on current Japan official data (NITE published in 2018).