

# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

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## 1. Identification

Product Name Potassium hydroxide, 8N solution in water

Cat No.: AC380620000; AC380620020; AC380620100; AC380625000

Synonyms No information available

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

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**Emergency Telephone Number** 

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# 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Corrosive to metals

Acute oral toxicity

Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)

Category 1

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Category 3

Target Organs - Respiratory system.

#### Label Elements

### Signal Word

Danger

## **Hazard Statements**

May be corrosive to metals Harmful if swallowed Causes severe skin burns and eye damage May cause respiratory irritation



## **Precautionary Statements**

#### Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

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

Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eve protection/face protection

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

Keep only in original container

## Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

#### Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

#### Skin

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

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

#### **Eyes**

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

# Ingestion

Rinse mouth

Do NOT induce vomiting

#### Spills

Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

#### Storage

Store locked up

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner

Store in a dry place

## Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

## Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

# 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Water	7732-18-5	70
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	30

## 4. First-aid measures

General Advice Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is

required.

**Eye Contact** Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.

Immediate medical attention is required.

**Skin Contact** Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove and wash

contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Call a physician

immediately.

**Inhalation** If not breathing, give artificial respiration, Remove from exposure, lie down. Do not use

mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory

medical device. Call a physician immediately.

**Ingestion** Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water. Never give anything by mouth to an

unconscious person. Call a physician immediately.

Most important symptoms and

effects

Causes burns by all exposure routes. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue

and danger of perforation

No information available

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically

# 5. Fire-fighting measures

surrounding environment. CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media No information available

Flash Point No information available Method - No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** 

**Explosion Limits** 

Upper No data available
Lower No data available
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge No information available

## **Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Hydrogen.

#### **Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

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Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
3	0	0	N/A

#### 6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate

personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.

**Environmental Precautions** Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary

sewer system.

**Methods for Containment and Clean** Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Soak up with inert absorbent material. **Up** 

	7. Handling and storage
Handling	Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not

ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

Storage Corrosives area. Do not store in metal containers. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry,

cool and well-ventilated place.

### 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

#### **Exposure Guidelines**

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Potassium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Engineering Measures Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined

areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation

location.

**Personal Protective Equipment** 

**Eye/face Protection** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by

OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard

EN166.

**Skin and body protection**Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respiratory Protection Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard

EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical StateLiquidAppearanceColorlessOdorOdorless

Odor Threshold<br/>pHNo information availableMelting Point/RangeNo data available

Boiling Point/Range
No information available

Flammability (solid,gas) Not applicable

Flammability or explosive limits

Upper No data available
Lower No data available
Vapor Pressure No information available
Vapor Density No information available

Specific Gravity 1.326

Solubility Soluble in water Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water No data available

Autoignition TemperatureNo information availableDecomposition TemperatureNo information availableViscosityNo information available

# 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactive Hazard** None known, based on information available

Stability Stable under normal conditions.

Incompatible products. **Conditions to Avoid** 

**Incompatible Materials** Acids, Halogens, Acid anhydrides, Metals

Hazardous Decomposition Products Hydrogen

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

None under normal processing. **Hazardous Reactions** 

## 11. Toxicological information

**Acute Toxicity** 

**Product Information** 

Oral LD50 Category 4. ATE = 300 - 2000 mg/kg.

Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 2000 mg/kg. **Dermal LD50** Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 20 mg/l. Vapor LC50

**Component Information** 

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Water	-	-	-
Potassium hydroxide	333 mg/kg ( Rat )	Not listed	Not listed

**Toxicologically Synergistic** 

No information available

**Products** 

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation Causes burns by all exposure routes

Sensitization No information available

Carcinogenicity The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Water	7732-18-5	Not listed				
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	Not listed				

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

STOT - single exposure Respiratory system STOT - repeated exposure None known

No information available **Aspiration hazard** 

delayed

Symptoms / effects,both acute and Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes

severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

# 12. Ecological information

#### **Ecotoxicity**

Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Contains a substance which is:. Harmful to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Potassium hydroxide	Not listed	LC50: = 80 mg/L, 96h static (Gambusia affinis)	Not listed	Not listed

Persistence and Degradability

Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** 

No information available.

**Mobility** 

. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Potassium hydroxide	0.83

# 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** 

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

# 14. Transport information

DOT

**UN-No** UN1814

Proper Shipping Name POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLUTION

Hazard Class 8
Packing Group ||

TDG

**UN-No** UN1814

Proper Shipping Name POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

Hazard Class 8
Packing Group ||

<u>IATA</u>

**UN-No** UN1814

Proper Shipping Name POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

Hazard Class 8
Packing Group ||

IMDG/IMO

**UN-No** UN1814

Proper Shipping Name POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

Hazard Class 8
Packing Group ||

# 15. Regulatory information

#### **United States of America Inventory**

Component	CAS-No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active/Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Water	7732-18-5	X	ACTIVE	-
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	X	ACTIVE	-

#### Legend:

TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

<sup>&#</sup>x27;-' - Not Listed

### Potassium hydroxide, 8N solution in water

TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export Not applicable

#### **International Inventories**

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (ECL).

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Water	7732-18-5	Х	-	231-791-2	Χ	X	Х	Χ	KE-35400
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	Х	-	215-181-3	Х	X	Х	Х	KE-29139

#### U.S. Federal Regulations

SARA 313 Not applicable

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories See section 2 for more information

CWA (Clean Water Act)

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Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Potassium hydroxide	X	1000 lb	-	-

Clean Air Act Not applicable

**OSHA** - Occupational Safety and

Health Administration

Not applicable

CERCLA This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous

substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability

Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Potassium hydroxide	1000 lb	-

**California Proposition 65** 

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

## U.S. State Right-to-Know

Regulations

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Water	-	-	X	-	-
Potassium hydroxide	X	X	X	-	X

#### **U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): N
DOT Marine Pollutant N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

U.S. Department of Homeland

Security

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

## 16. Other information

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**Revision Summary** This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard

replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally

Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS).

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