

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

Product Name Potassium hydroxide, 1N solution in ethanol

Cat No.: AC429090000, AC429091000

Synonyms No information available

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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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)

Flammable liquids
Category 2
Corrosive to metals
Category 1
Skin Corrosion/irritation
Category 1 A
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation
Carcinogenicity
Category 1
Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)
Category 3

Target Organs - Respiratory system, Central nervous system (CNS).

Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure) Category 2

Target Organs - Liver, Kidney, Blood.

# Label Elements

#### Signal Word

Danger

#### **Hazard Statements**

Highly flammable liquid and vapor May be corrosive to metals Causes severe skin burns and eye damage May cause respiratory irritation May cause drowsiness or dizziness May cause cancer

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



#### **Precautionary Statements**

#### Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

Use personal protective equipment as required

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

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

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

Keep container tightly closed

Ground/bond container and receiving equipment

Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment

Use only non-sparking tools

Take precautionary measures against static discharge

Keep only in original container

Keep cool

### 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** 

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting

Fire

In case of fire: Use CO2, dry chemical, or foam for extinction

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 %
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	93
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	7

### 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 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. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: 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

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media CO 2, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam. Cool closed containers exposed to fire

with water spray.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media No information available

**Flash Point** 12 °C / 53.6 °F

Method - No information available

Autoignition Temperature 370 °C / 698 °F

**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. Flammable. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO) Carbon dioxide (CO2)

### **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.

NFPA

HealthFlammabilityInstabilityPhysical hazards330N/A

### Accidental release measures

**Personal Precautions** 

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

**Environmental Precautions** 

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

sewer system.

Up

Methods for Containment and Clean Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment.

# 7. Handling and storage

Handling

Wear personal protective equipment. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Do not ingest. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use only non-sparking tools. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

Storage

Flammables area. Corrosives area. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

# 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

#### **Exposure Guidelines**

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Ethyl alcohol	STEL: 1000 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 1000 ppm	IDLH: 3300 ppm	TWA: 1000 ppm
		(Vacated) TWA: 1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 1000 ppm	TWA: 1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
		TWA: 1000 ppm	TWA: 1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	_
		TWA: 1900 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		
Potassium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	(Vacated) 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: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

**Engineering Measures** Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers

are close to the workstation location. Use explosion-proof

electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined

areas.

#### **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.

Long sleeved clothing. Skin and body protection

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

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.

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

### 9. Physical and chemical properties

**Physical State** Liquid

AppearanceNo information availableOdorNo information availableOdor ThresholdNo information availablepHNo information available

Melting Point/Range No information available -117 °C / -178.6 °F

 Boiling Point/Range
 78 °C / 172.4 °F @ 760 mmHg

 Flash Point
 12 °C / 53.6 °F

Evaporation Rate
No information available
Flammability (solid,gas)
Not applicable

Flammability or explosive limits

Upper<br/>LowerNo data available<br/>No data availableVapor PressureNo information availableVapor DensityNo information available

Specific Gravity 0.86

SolubilitySoluble in waterPartition coefficient; n-octanol/waterNo data availableAutoignition Temperature370 °C / 698 °FDecomposition TemperatureNo information availableViscosityNo information available

# 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard None known, based on information available

**Stability** Stable under normal conditions.

Conditions to Avoid Incompatible products. Excess heat. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and

sources of ignition.

Incompatible Materials Strong oxidizing agents

Hazardous Decomposition Products Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO2)

Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions**None under normal processing.

# 11. Toxicological information

**Acute Toxicity** 

**Product Information**No acute toxicity information is available for this product

Oral LD50

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 > 2000 mg/kg.

Vapor LC50

Based on ATE data, the classification criteria are not met. ATE > 20 mg/l.

**Component Information** 

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Ethyl alcohol	3450 mg/kg ( Mouse )	Not listed	20000 ppm/10H ( Rat )
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 severe burns by all exposure routes

Sensitization No information available

Carcinogenicity Ethanol has been shown to be carcinogenic in long-term studies only when consumed and

abused as an alcoholic beverage. The table below indicates whether each agency has

listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	Group 1	Known	A3	X	Not listed
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	Not listed				

IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)

NTP: (National Toxicity Program)

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Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans

Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans

NTP: (National Toxicity Program) Known - Known Carcinogen

Reasonably Anticipated - Reasonably Anticipated to be a Human

Carcinogen

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial

Hygienists)

A1 - Known Human Carcinogen A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen

A3 - Animal Carcinogen

ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)

Mutagenic Effects No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects**Substances known to cause developmental toxicity in humans.

**Teratogenicity** Teratogenic effects have occurred in humans.

STOT - single exposure Respiratory system Central nervous system (CNS)

STOT - repeated exposure Liver Kidney Blood

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects,both acute and Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness,

delayed

tiredness, nausea and vomiting: 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 empty into drains. Contains a substance which is:. Toxic to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Ethyl alcohol	EC50 (72h) = 275 mg/l	Fathead minnow	Photobacterium	EC50 = 9268 mg/L/48h
	(Chlorella vulgaris)	(Pimephales promelas)	phosphoreum:EC50 = 34634	EC50 = 10800 mg/L/24h
		LC50 = 14200 mg/l/96h	mg/L/30 min	
			Photobacterium	
			phosphoreum:EC50 = 35470	
			mg/L/5 min	
Potassium hydroxide	Not listed	LC50: = 80 mg/L, 96h static (Gambusia affinis)	Not listed	Not listed
		(Same and annino)		

Persistence and Degradability Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation**No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility.

Component	log Pow
Ethyl alcohol	-0.32
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** UN2924

**Proper Shipping Name** FLAMMABLE LIQUID, CORROSIVE, N.O.S.

Proper technical name (Ethyl alcohol, Potassium hydroxide)

Hazard Class 3 Packing Group II

TDG

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IATA

**UN-No** UN2924

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Hazard Class 3
Subsidiary Hazard Class 8
Packing Group ||

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN2924

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### 15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

#### International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Ethyl alcohol	Х	Х	-	200-578-6	-		Х	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
Potassium hydroxide	Х	Х	-	215-181-3	-		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ

### Legend:

- X Listed
- E Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.
- F Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.
- N Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.
- P Indicates a commenced PMN substance
- R Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.
- S Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule
- T Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.
- XU Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B).
- Y1 Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.
- Y2 Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

# U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313 Not applicable

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

**CWA (Clean Water Act)** 

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**

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

**California Proposition 65** 

Ethyl alcohol is only a considered a Proposition 65 developmental hazard when it is ingested as an alcoholic beverage

Component	CAS-No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL	Category
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	Development (alcoholic	-	Developmental
1		beverages only)		Carcinogen

# U.S. State Right-to-Know

Regulations

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Ethyl alcohol	X	X	X	X	Х
Potassium hydroxide	X	Х	Х	-	Х

#### **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 Serious risk, Grade 3

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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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