

Material Safety Data Sheet

Potassium Hydroxide 0.1000N



Section 1. Product and Company Identification

Product name : Potassium Hydroxide 0.1000N
Product code : VW3211-1
Synonym : None.
Material uses : Other non-specified industry: Laboratory Reagent
Manufacturer : EMD Chemicals Inc.
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856-423-6300 Technical Service
Monday - Friday: 8:00 - 5:00 PM
Validation date : ***.
Print date : 9/23/2006.
In case of emergency : 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (USA)
613-996-6666 CANUTEC (Canada)
24 Hours/Day: 7 Days/Week

Section 2. Hazards Identification

Physical state : Liquid.
Odor : Odorless.
OSHA/HCS status : This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).
Emergency overview : ***** WARNING! *****
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HARMFUL IF ABSORBED THROUGH SKIN.
CAUSES EYE IRRITATION.
MAY BE HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED.
MAY CAUSE RESPIRATORY TRACT AND SKIN IRRITATION.
MAY BE HARMFUL IF INHALED.
Do not ingest. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid breathing vapor or mist. Keep container closed. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wash thoroughly after handling.
Routes of entry : Dermal contact. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.
Potential acute health effects
Eyes : Irritating to eyes.
Skin : Toxic in contact with skin. Moderately irritating to the skin.
Inhalation : Moderately irritating to the respiratory system.
Ingestion : Harmful if swallowed.
Carcinogenic effects : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Mutagenic effects : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Teratogenicity / Reproductive toxicity : No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Medical conditions aggravated by over-exposure : Repeated skin exposure can produce local skin destruction or dermatitis. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce lung damage. Repeated or prolonged contact with spray or mist may produce chronic eye irritation and severe skin irritation.

See toxicological information (section 11)

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Section 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

United States

<u>Name</u>	<u>CAS number</u>	<u>% by Weight</u>
Potassium Hydroxide	1310-58-3	0.66
Water	7732-18-5	>99

Section 4. First Aid Measures

- Eye contact** : Get medical attention immediately. Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Check for and remove any contact lenses.
- Skin contact** : Get medical attention immediately. Flush contaminated skin with plenty of water. Continue to rinse for at least 10 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash contaminated clothing thoroughly with water before removing or wear gloves. Wash clothing before reuse. Clean shoes thoroughly before reuse.
- Inhalation** : Get medical attention immediately. Move exposed person to fresh air. Keep person warm and at rest. If not breathing, if breathing is irregular or if respiratory arrest occurs, provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.
- Ingestion** : Get medical attention immediately. Wash out mouth with water. Remove dentures if any. Move exposed person to fresh air. Keep person warm and at rest. If material has been swallowed and the exposed person is conscious, give small quantities of water to drink. Stop if the exposed person feels sick as vomiting may be dangerous. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. If vomiting occurs, the head should be kept low so that vomit does not enter the lungs. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If unconscious, place in recovery position and get medical attention immediately. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.
- Protection of first-aiders** : No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training.

Section 5. Fire Fighting Measures

Flammability of the product : No specific hazard.

Extinguishing media

- Suitable** : Use an extinguishing agent suitable for the surrounding fire.
- Not suitable** : None known.
- Special exposure hazards** : Not available.
- Special protective equipment for fire-fighters** : Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.

Section 6. Accidental Release Measures

- Personal precautions** : Immediately contact emergency personnel. Keep unnecessary personnel away. Use suitable protective equipment.
- Environmental precautions** : Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.
- Methods for cleaning up** : If emergency personnel are unavailable, contain spilled material. For small spills, add absorbent (soil may be used in the absence of other suitable materials), scoop up material and place in a sealable, liquid-proof container for disposal. For large spills, dike spilled material or otherwise contain material to ensure runoff does not reach a waterway. Place spilled material in an appropriate container for disposal.

Section 7. Handling and Storage

- Handling** : Do not ingest. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Keep container closed. Use only with adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing vapor or mist. Wash thoroughly after handling.
- Storage** : Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area.

Section 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Consult local authorities for acceptable exposure limits.

- Engineering measures** : No special ventilation requirements. Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control airborne levels. If this product contains ingredients with exposure limits, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep worker exposure below any recommended or statutory limits.

Personal protection

- Eyes** : Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts.
Recommended: safety glasses with side-shields
- Skin** : Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product.
Body: Recommended: lab coat and gloves
- Respiratory** : Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.
- Hands** : Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary.
- Hygiene measures** : Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Section 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

- Physical state** : Liquid.
- Color** : Clear. Colorless.
- Odor** : Odorless.
- pH** : 13.5 [Basic.]
- Boiling/condensation point** : The lowest known value is 99.9°C (211.8°F) (Water).
- Melting/freezing point** : May start to solidify at -0.1°C (31.8°F) based on data for: Water.
- Evaporation rate** : 0.36 (Water) compared with (n-Butyl Acetate =1)

Section 10. Stability and Reactivity

- Stability and reactivity** : The product is stable.
- Incompatibility with various substances** : Highly reactive or incompatible with the following materials: oxidizing materials, organic materials, metals and acids.
Incompatible with magnesium, zinc, sodium, potassium and aluminum.
- Hazardous decomposition products** : Potassium monoxide
- Hazardous polymerization** : Will not occur.

Section 11. Toxicological Information

Toxicity data

United States

Product/ingredient name	Test	Result	Route	Species
None.	LD50	48750 mg/kg	Oral	Rat

Chronic effects on humans : **CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS** Classified None. by NIOSH [Potassium Hydroxide].

Other toxic effects on humans : Very hazardous in case of eye contact (irritant).
Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, .
Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (corrosive), of eye contact (corrosive), of inhalation (lung irritant, lung sensitizer, lung corrosive).

Specific effects

Carcinogenic effects : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Mutagenic effects : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Teratogenicity / Reproductive toxicity : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Sensitization

Ingestion : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Inhalation : Moderately irritating to the respiratory system.

Eyes : Irritating to eyes.

Skin : Moderately irritating to the skin.

Section 12. Ecological Information

Environmental precautions : No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Toxicity of the products of biodegradation : The products of degradation are less toxic than the product itself.
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Section 13. Disposal Considerations

Waste disposal : The generation of waste should be avoided or minimized wherever possible. Avoid dispersal of spilled material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements.

Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations. Local regulations may be more stringent than regional or national requirements.

The information presented below only applies to the material as supplied. The identification based on characteristic(s) or listing may not apply if the material has been used or otherwise contaminated. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical properties of the material generated to determine the proper waste identification and disposal methods in compliance with applicable regulations.

Refer to Section 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE and Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION for additional handling information and protection of employees.

Section 14. Transport Information

Regulatory information	UN number	Proper shipping name	Class	PG*	Label	Additional information
DOT Classification	Not available.	CHEMICALS, N.O.S.	Not available.	-		Not available.

PG* : Packing group

Section 14. Transport Information

Section 15. Regulatory Information

United States

- HCS Classification** : Toxic material
Irritating material
- U.S. Federal regulations** : TSCA 8(b) inventory: Listed
SARA 302/304/311/312 extremely hazardous substances: No products were found.
SARA 302/304 emergency planning and notification: No products were found.
SARA 302/304/311/312 hazardous chemicals: No products were found.
SARA 311/312 MSDS distribution - chemical inventory - hazard identification: No products were found.
Clean Water Act (CWA) 307: No products were found.
Clean Water Act (CWA) 311: Potassium Hydroxide
Clean Air Act (CAA) 112 accidental release prevention: No products were found.
Clean Air Act (CAA) 112 regulated flammable substances: No products were found.
Clean Air Act (CAA) 112 regulated toxic substances: No products were found.
- State regulations** : Pennsylvania RTK: Potassium Hydroxide: (environmental hazard, generic environmental hazard)
Massachusetts RTK: Potassium Hydroxide
New Jersey: Potassium Hydroxide 0.1000N

Canada

- WHMIS (Canada)** : Class D-2B: Material causing other toxic effects (Toxic).
CEPA DSL/CEPA NDSL : CEPA DSL: Water

This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the CPR and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

EU regulations

Hazard symbol/symbols :



- Risk phrases** : R36/38- Irritating to eyes and skin.
- Safety phrases** : S2- Keep out of the reach of children.
S46- If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.

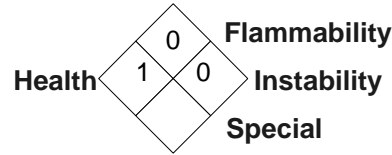
International regulations

- International lists** : Australia (NICNAS): Potassium Hydroxide; Water
China: Potassium Hydroxide
Germany water class: Potassium Hydroxide
Japan (METI): Potassium Hydroxide; Water
Korea (TCCL): Potassium Hydroxide; Water
Philippines (RA6969): Potassium Hydroxide; Water

Section 16. Other Information

Label requirements : WARNING!
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National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.) :



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