

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING**1.1 Product identifiers**Product name: **POTASSIUM METAL**CAS-No.: **7440-09-7**Product Number: **A70219****1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

Identified uses: Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone numberEmergency Phone #: **+44 (0)845 1200 506****2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**

According to Regulation (EC) No1272/2008; Substances, which in contact with water, emit flammable gases (Category 1), Skin corrosion (Category 1B)

According to European Directive 67/548/EEC as amended: Contact with water liberates extremely flammable gases. Reacts violently with water. Causes burns.

2.2 Label elements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s): H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. H260 In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously. EUH014 Reacts violently with water.

Precautionary statement(s): P223 Keep away from any possible contact with water, because of violent reaction and possible flash fire. P231 + P232 Handle under inert gas. Protect from moisture. P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and

easy to do. Continue rinsing. P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use sand for extinction.



Hazard symbol(s):

R-phrase(s): R14/15 Reacts violently with water, liberating extremely flammable gases. R34 Causes burns.

S-phrase(s): S5 Keep under white spirit. S8 Keep container dry. S45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately, (show the label where possible).

2.3 Other hazards – no data available.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Potassium metal

Formula:	K
Molecular Weight:	39.1
CAS-No.:	7440-09-7
EC-No.:	231-119-8
Index-No.:	019-001-00-2

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice: Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled: If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

In case of skin contact: Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water.

In case of eye contact: Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes.

If swallowed: Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed: no data available

4.3 Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed: no data available

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media: Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture: no data available

5.3 Precautions for fire-fighters: Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information: no data available

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures: Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing dust. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

6.2 Environmental precautions: Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up: Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Do not flush with water. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections: For disposal see section 13.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling: Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities: Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Handle and store under inert gas.

7.3 Specific end uses: no data available.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters: Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls: Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection: Face shield and safety glasses.

Skin protection: Handle with gloves. The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

Body Protection: Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.

Respiratory protection: Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

- a) Appearance: **Form:** Ingots **Colour:** Grey
- b) Odour: no data available
- c) Odour Threshold: no data available
- d) pH: no data available
- e) Melting/freezing point: 64 °C Melting point/range: no data available
- f) Initial boiling point and boiling range: 760 °C
- g) Flash point: no data available
- h) Evaporation rate: no data available
- i) Flammability (solid, gas): no data available
- j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits: no data available
- k) Vapour pressure: 0.12 hPa at 260 °C
- l) Vapour density: no data available
- m) Relative density: 0.86 g/cm³ at 25 °C
- n) Water solubility: no data available
- o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water: no data available
- p) Autoignition temperature: no data available
- q) Decomposition temperature: no data available
- r) Viscosity: no data available
- s) Explosive properties: no data available
- t) Oxidizing properties: no data available
- 9.2 Other safety information:** no data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity: no data available

10.2 Chemical stability: Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions: Reacts violently with water.

10.4 Conditions to avoid: Heat, flames and sparks. Exposure to moisture.

10.5 Incompatible materials: Oxidizing agents, Carbon oxides, Reacts violently with water., Reacts with water to generate Hydrogen gas.

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products: Formed under fire conditions. - Potassium oxides

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity: LD50 Intraperitoneal - mouse - 700 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation: no data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation: no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitization: no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity: no data available

Carcinogenicity: IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

Reproductive toxicity: no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure: no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure: no data available

Aspiration hazard: no data available

Potential health effects

Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.

Ingestion May be harmful if swallowed. Causes burns.

Skin May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.

Eyes Causes eye burns.

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure: Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin.

Additional Information: RTECS: TS6460000

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity: no data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability: no data available

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential: no data available

12.4 Mobility in soil: no data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment: no data available

12.6 Other adverse effects: no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product: Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

Contaminated packaging: Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

14.1 UN-Number

ADR/RID: 2257 IMDG: 2257 IATA: 2257

14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: POTASSIUM

IMDG: POTASSIUM

IATA: POTASSIUM

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 4.3 IMDG: 4.3 IATA: 4.3

14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: I IMDG: I IATA: I

14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no IMDG Marine pollutant: no IATA: no

14.6 Special precautions for users: EMS-No: F-G, S-N. IATA Passenger: Not permitted for transport

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

This safety datasheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture: no data available

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment: no data available

16. OTHER INFORMATION

EUH014 Reacts violently with water.

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H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Skin Corr. Skin corrosion

Water-react Substances and mixtures, which in contact with water, emit flammable gases

C Corrosive

F Highly flammable

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