

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name: **POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE PELLETS**

CAS-No.: **1310-58-3**

Product Number: **F78599**

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 number

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

According to Regulation (EC) No1272/2008; Skin corrosion (Category 1A), Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4)

According to European Directive 67/548/EEC as amended: Causes severe burns. Harmful if swallowed.

2.2 Label elements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s): H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. H302 Harmful if swallowed.

Precautionary statement(s): 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.

According to European Directive 67/548/EEC as amended.

Hazard symbol(s)



R-phrases(s): R22 Harmful if swallowed. R35 Causes severe burns.

S-phrases(s): S26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. S36/37/39 Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection. 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 hydroxide (Synonyms : Caustic potash)

Formula: **KOH**

Molecular Weight: **56.11**

CAS-No.: **1310-58-3**

EC-No.: **215-181-3**

Index-No.: **019-002-00-8**

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 extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture: Potassium oxides

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

5.4 Further information: Gives off hydrogen by reaction with metals. The product itself does not burn.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures: Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

6.2 Environmental precautions: Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up: Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. 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 contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities: Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Absorbs carbon dioxide (CO₂) from air. Air sensitive. strongly hygroscopic

7.3 Specific end uses: no data available.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS No.	Value	Control Parameters	Update
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	STEL	2mg/m ³	UK. EH40 WEL

UK. EH40 WEL – Workplace Exposure Limits.

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 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin protection: Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands. 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: Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

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:** Solid **Colour:** no data available
b) Odour: no data available
c) Odour Threshold: no data available
d) pH: pH 13.5
e) Melting/freezing point: 361 °C Melting point/range: no data available
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range: 1,320 °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: 1 hPa at 719 °C; 1 hPa at 714 °C
l) Vapour density: no data available
m) Relative density: 2.044 g/cm³
n) Water solubility: soluble
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: Bulk density 1,300 kg/m³

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity: no data available

10.2 Chemical stability: no data available

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions: no data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid: Do not heat above melting point.

10.5 Incompatible materials: Nitro compounds, Organic materials, Magnesium, Copper, Water, reacts violently with:., Metals, Light metals, Contact with aluminum, tin and zinc liberates hydrogen gas. Contact with nitromethane and other similar nitro compounds causes formation of shock-sensitive salts., vigorous reaction with:., Alkali metals, Halogens, Azides, Anhydrides

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products: Other decomposition products - no data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity: LD50 Oral - rat - 273 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation: Skin - rabbit - Severe skin irritation - 24 h

Serious eye damage/eye irritation: Eyes - rabbit - Eye irritation - 24 h

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 Toxic if swallowed. Causes burns.

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

Eyes Causes eye burns.

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure: no data available

Additional Information: RTECS: TT2100000

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity: Toxicity to fish LC50 - *Gambusia affinis* (Mosquito fish) - 80 mg/l - 96 h

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: Harmful to aquatic life

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product: Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. 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: 1813 IMDG: 1813 IATA: 1813

14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

IMDG: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

IATA: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 8 IMDG: 8 IATA: 8

14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: II IMDG: II IATA: II

14.5 Environmental hazards

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

14.6 Special precautions for users

no data available

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

no data available