

SAFETY DATA SHEET Potassium Hydroxide

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according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 as amended by (EC) No. 2015/830 and US OSHA HCS 2015

Section 1. Identification of the Substance/Mixture and of the Company/Undertaking

1.1 Product Code: 400029

Product Name: Potassium Hydroxide

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against:

Relevant identified uses: For research use only, not for human or veterinary use.

1.3 Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet:

Company Name: Cayman Chemical Company

1180 E. Ellsworth Rd. Ann Arbor, MI 48108

Web site address: www.caymanchem.com

Information: Cayman Chemical Company +1 (734)971-3335

1.4 Emergency telephone number:

Emergency Contact: CHEMTREC Within USA and Canada: +1 (800)424-9300

CHEMTREC Outside USA and Canada: +1 (703)527-3887

Section 2. Hazards Identification

2.1 Classification of the Substance or Mixture:

Corrosive To Metals, Category 1 Acute Toxicity: Oral, Category 4

Skin Corrosion/Irritation, Category 1A

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation, Category 1

2.2 Label Elements:





GHS Signal Word: Danger

GHS Hazard Phrases:

H290: May be corrosive to metals.

H302: Harmful if swallowed.

H314: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H318: Causes serious eye damage.

GHS Precaution Phrases:

P234: Keep only in original container.

P260: Do not breathe {dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray}.

P264: Wash {hands} thoroughly after handling.

P280: Wear {protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection}.

GHS Response Phrases:

P301+312: IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

P303+361+353: IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304+340: IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

P305+351+338: 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.

P330: Rinse mouth.

P363: Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.



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P390: Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

GHS Storage and Disposal Phrases:

Please refer to Section 7 for Storage and Section 13 for Disposal information.

2.3 Adverse Human Health Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Effects and Symptoms: Harmful if swallowed.

Material may be irritating to the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.

May be harmful by inhalation or skin absorption. May cause eye, skin, or respiratory system irritation.

To the best of our knowledge, the toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Section 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

CAS#/ RTECS#	Hazardous Components (Chemical Name)/ REACH Registration No.	Concentration	EC No./ EC Index No.	GHS Classification
1310-58-3 TT2100000	Potassium hydroxide 01-2119487136-33	100.0 %	215-181-3 019-002-00-8	Acute Tox.(O) 4: H302 Skin Corr. 1A: H314 Corrosive 1: H290 Eye Damage 1: H318

Section 4. First Aid Measures

4.1 Description of First Aid

Measures:

In Case of Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration or give oxygen by trained

personnel. Get immediate medical attention.

In Case of Skin Contact: Immediately wash skin with soap and plenty of water for at least 20 minutes. Remove

contaminated clothing. Get medical attention if symptoms occur. Wash clothing before reuse.

In Case of Eye Contact: Hold eyelids apart and flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 20 minutes. Have eyes

examined and tested by medical personnel.

In Case of Ingestion: Wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Never give anything by mouth to an

unconscious person. Get medical attention. Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by

medical personnel.

Section 5. Fire Fighting Measures

5.1 Suitable Extinguishing Use alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, or dry chemical spray.

Media:

Unsuitable Extinguishing DO NOT USE WATER.

Media

5.2 Flammable Properties and Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

Hazards: May react with metals, releasing flammable hydrogen gas.

No data available.

Flash Pt: No data.

Explosive Limits: LEL: No data. UEL: No data.

Autoignition Pt: No data.

5.3 Fire Fighting Instructions: As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand (NIOSH approved or

equivalent), and full protective gear to prevent contact with skin and eyes.



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Section 6. Accidental Release Measures

6.1 Protective Precautions, Avoid raising and breathing dust, and provide adequate ventilation.

Protective Equipment and As conditions warrant, wear a NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus, or respirator,

Emergency Procedures: and appropriate personal protection (rubber boots, safety goggles, and heavy rubber gloves).

6.2 Environmental Take steps to avoid release into the environment, if safe to do so.

Precautions:

6.3 Methods and Material For Contain spill and collect, as appropriate.

Containment and Cleaning Transfer to a chemical waste container for disposal in accordance with local regulations.

Up:

Section 7. Handling and Storage

7.1 Precautions To Be Taken Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

in Handling: Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

7.2 Precautions To Be Taken Keep container tightly closed.

in Storing: Store in accordance with information listed on the product insert.

Other Precautions: Air sensitive Hygroscopic

Section 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

8.1 Exposure Parameters:

CAS#	Chemical Name	Jurisdiction	Recommended Exposure Limits	Notations
1310-58-3	Potassium hydroxide	ACGIH TLV	CEIL: 2 mg/m3	
		France VL	STEL: 2.0 mg/m3	
		Britain EH40	STEL: 2 mg/m3 ()	

8.2 Exposure Controls:

(Ventilation etc.): levels below recommended exposure limits.

8.2.2 Personal protection equipment:

Eye Protection: Safety glasses

Protective Gloves: Compatible chemical-resistant gloves

Other Protective Clothing: Lab coat

Respiratory Equipment NIOSH approved respirator, as conditions warrant.

(Specify Type):

Work/Hygienic/Maintenan Do not take internally.

ce Practices: Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety

shower.

Wash thoroughly after handling.

No data available.



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Section 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

9.1 Information on Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical States: [] Gas [] Liquid [X] Solid

Appearance and Odor: Solid pellets

pH: 13.5

Melting Point: 360.00 C

Boiling Point: No data.

Flash Pt: No data.

Evaporation Rate: No data.

Flammability (solid, gas): No data available.

Explosive Limits: LEL: No data. UEL: No data.

Vapor Pressure (vs. Air or mm

1 MM_HG at 719.0 C

Hg):

Vapor Density (vs. Air = 1): No data.

Specific Gravity (Water = 1): 2.04

Solubility in Water: No data.

Solubility Notes: Soluble in: water;

Octanol/Water Partition No data.

Coefficient:

Autoignition Pt:No data.Decomposition Temperature:No data.Viscosity:No data.

9.2 Other Information

Percent Volatile: No data.

Molecular Formula & Weight: KOH 56.1

Section 10. Stability and Reactivity

10.1 Reactivity: No data available.

10.2 Stability: Unstable [] Stable [X]

10.3 Stability Note(s): Stable if stored in accordance with information listed on the product insert.

Polymerization: Will occur [] Will not occur [X]

10.4 Conditions To Avoid: absorbs carbon dioxide from air

do not heat above melting point

with limited amounts of water violent boiling may occur

10.5 Incompatibility - Materials alkali metals

To Avoid: aluminum

anhydrides
azides
copper
halogens
magnesium
metals/light metals
nitro compounds
organic materials

tin zinc

10.6 Hazardous potassium oxides

Multi-region format



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Decomposition or

Byproducts:

Section 11. Toxicological Information

11.1 Information on The toxicological effects of this product have not been thoroughly studied.

Toxicological Effects: Potassium Hydroxide - Toxicity Data: Oral LD50 (rat): 273 mg/kg;

Potassium hydroxide - Irritation Data: Eyes (rabbit): 1 mg (24h) moderate; Skin (human): 50 mg

(24h) severe; Skin (rabbit): 50 mg (24h) severe;

Chronic Toxicological Potassium hydroxide - Investigated as an agricultural chemical, mutagen, and primary irritant.

Effects: Only select Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) data is presented here.

See actual entry in RTECS for complete information. Potassium hydroxide RTECS Number: TT2100000

CAS#	Hazardous Components (Chemical Name)	NTP	IARC	ACGIH	OSHA
1310-58-3	Potassium hydroxide	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

Section 12. Ecological Information

12.1 Toxicity: Avoid release into the environment - harmful to aquatic organisms.

Runoff from fire control or dilution water may cause pollution.

12.2 Persistence and No data available.

Degradability:

12.3 Bioaccumulative No data available.

Potential:

12.4 Mobility in Soil: No data available.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB No data available.

assessment:

12.6 Other adverse effects: No data available.

Section 13. Disposal Considerations

13.1 Waste Disposal Method: Dispose in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

Section 14. Transport Information

14.1 LAND TRANSPORT (US DOT):

DOT Proper Shipping Name: Potassium hydroxide, solid **DOT Hazard Class:** 8 CORROSIVE

UN/NA Number: UN1813 Packing Group: II



14.1 LAND TRANSPORT (European ADR/RID):

ADR/RID Shipping Name: Potassium hydroxide, solid

UN Number: 1813 Packing Group: II

Hazard Class: 8 - CORROSIVE



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14.3 AIR TRANSPORT (ICAO/IATA):

ICAO/IATA Shipping Name: Potassium hydroxide, solid

UN Number: 1813 Packing Group: II
Hazard Class: 8 - CORROSIVE IATA Classification: 8

Additional Transport Transport in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

Information: When sold in quantities of less than or equal to 1 mL, or 1 g, with an Excepted Quantity Code of

E1, E2, E4, or E5, this item meets the De Minimis Quantities exemption, per IATA 2.6.10. Therefore packaging does not have to be labeled as Dangerous Goods/Excepted Quantity.

Section 15. Regulatory Information

EPA SARA (Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986) Lists

CAS#	Hazardous Components (Chemical Name)	S. 302 (EHS)	S. 304 RQ	S. 313 (TRI)
1310-58-3	Potassium hydroxide	No	Yes 1000 LB	No
CAS#	Hazardous Components (Chemical Name)	Other US EPA or State Lists		
1310-58-3	Potassium hydroxide	CAA HAP,ODC: No; CWA NPDES: No; TSCA: Yes - Inventory; CA PROP.65: No		

Regulatory Information This SDS was prepared in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1200 and Regulation (EC)

Statement: No.1272/2008.

Section 16. Other Information

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Additional Information About

No data available.

This Product:

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