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SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Potassium chlorate

Cat No. : P212-500

Synonyms Berthollet's Salt; Chlorate of Potash; Salt of Tarter

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against No Information available

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Emergency Telephone Number

Chemtrec US: (800) 424-9300

Chemtrec EU: 001 (202) 483-7616

2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Oxidizing solids
Acute oral toxicity
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists

Category 1
Category 4
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Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

May cause fire or explosion; strong oxidizer

Harmful if swallowed

Harmful if inhaled



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking
Keep/Store away from clothing/ other combustible materials
Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
Wear fire/flammable resistant/retardant clothing

Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing
Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell

Skin

IF ON CLOTHING: Rinse immediately contaminated clothing and skin with plenty of water before removing clothes

Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell

Rinse mouth

Fire

In case of major fire and large quantities: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion

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

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Potassium chlorate	3811-04-9	>95

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
Inhalation	Move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Most important symptoms/effects Notes to Physician	None reasonably foreseeable. Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	No information available
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable

Explosion Limits**Upper**

No data available

Lower

No data available

Oxidizing Properties

Oxidizer

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. Containers may explode when heated. May ignite combustibles (wood paper, oil, clothing, etc.).

Hazardous Combustion Products

Hydrogen chloride gas Chlorine Oxygen

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.

NFPA

Health
2

Flammability
0

Instability
3

Physical hazards
OX

6. Accidental release measures**Personal Precautions**

Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

Environmental Precautions

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal.

7. Handling and storage**Handling**

Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Keep away from clothing and other combustible materials.

Storage

Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Do not store near combustible materials. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection**Exposure Guidelines**

This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. 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.

Skin and body protection

Long sleeved clothing.

Respiratory Protection

Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard 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.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Powder Solid
Appearance	White
Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	5-6 73 g/l aq. sol
Melting Point/Range	356 - 368 °C / 672.8 - 694.4 °F
Boiling Point/Range	No information available
Flash Point	No information available
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	No information available
Vapor Density	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	No information available
Solubility	soluble
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable
Decomposition Temperature	400 °C
Viscosity	Not applicable
Molecular Formula	ClKO ₃
Molecular Weight	122.55

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	Yes
Stability	Oxidizer: Contact with combustible/organic material may cause fire. Risk of explosion by shock, friction, fire or other sources of ignition.
Conditions to Avoid	Excess heat. Incompatible products. Combustible material.
Incompatible Materials	Acids, Alcohols, Strong reducing agents, Hydrocarbons, Organic materials, Powdered metals, Combustible material
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Hydrogen chloride gas, Chlorine, Oxygen
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity
Product Information
Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium chlorate	LD50 = 1870 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 > 2000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	Not listed

Toxicologically Synergistic No information available

Products

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation	No information available
Sensitization	No information available
Carcinogenicity	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Potassium chlorate	3811-04-9	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Mutagenic Effects No information available

Reproductive Effects No information available.

Developmental Effects No information available.

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure None known

STOT - repeated exposure None known

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed No information available

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Potassium chlorate	Not listed	LC50: = 1750 mg/L, 96h (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: = 13500 mg/L, 96h (Pimephales promelas)	Not listed	EC50: = 1093 mg/L, 24h (Daphnia magna)

Persistence and Degradability Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

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	UN1485
Proper Shipping Name	POTASSIUM CHLORATE
Hazard Class	5.1
Packing Group	II

TDG

UN-No	UN1485
Proper Shipping Name	POTASSIUM CHLORATE
Hazard Class	5.1
Packing Group	II

IATA

UN-No	UN1485
Proper Shipping Name	POTASSIUM CHLORATE
Hazard Class	5.1
Packing Group	II

IMDG/IMO

UN-No	UN1485
Proper Shipping Name	POTASSIUM CHLORATE
Hazard Class	5.1
Packing Group	II

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
Potassium chlorate	X	X	-	223-289-7	-		X	X	X	X	X

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

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	No
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	Yes

CWA (Clean Water Act) Not applicable

Clean Air Act Not applicable

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration
Not applicable

CERCLA
Not applicable

California Proposition 65 This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
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Potassium chlorate	X	X	X	-	X
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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 contains the following DHS chemicals:

Component	DHS Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standard
Potassium chlorate	2000 lb STQ

Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

Canada

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

WHMIS Hazard Class C Oxidizing materials
D1B Toxic materials

**16. Other information**

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